1. Agency and member introductions 90 min.
2. Setting CWG ground rules
3. Introduction to the study
4. Baseline information

10 minute break

1. Break out: community goals and needs 90 min.
2. Report back to full CWG
3. Next steps: tours, next meeting
Inter-Agency Team

- Office of Deputy Mayor of Economic Development
- City Department of Transportation
- Department of City Planning
- Economic Development Corporation
- Department of Housing Preservation and Development
- Mayor’s Office of Long-Term Planning and Sustainability
Background

• State DOT is preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for reconstruction of Bruckner/Sheridan Interchange

• Studying two alternatives in DEIS

• The City received a federal grant for a comprehensive land use and transportation study to guide the City’s vision for the Sheridan Expressway – Hunts Point area
City’s Study Objectives

• Develop a coherent vision for the area
• Maintain and improve truck access to FDC
• Minimize truck traffic on local streets
• Promote economic development in the Bronx
• Evaluate opportunities for increasing park access, affordable housing, and residential connectivity
Baseline Data
Transportation

Modes of Transportation: Comparison with Bronx & NYC

- % commute by automobile
- % commute by public transit, walking or other means
- % of households that own 0 vehicles
- % of households that own 1 or more vehicles

CD 1,2,3,6,9  Bronx  NYC
Existing Traffic Issues in the Transportation Network

- GW Bridge to Deegan Expwy access difficult for trucks
- Pedestrian access to Bronx River from west limited
- Existing alternate truck routes to Hunts Point far from market
- Substandard interchanges on Bronx River Parkway and Cross-Bronx
- Bronx River Parkway overpasses too low for trucks
- Bruckner Expwy narrows to 2 lanes at Sheridan
- Proposed Oak Point Interchange still critical

Hunts Point Food Distribution Center
East River
White stone Br
Robert F. Kennedy Br
Hamillion Br
Bruckner Expwy
Hunts Point
Sheridan Expwy
Bronx River Pkwy
Hutchinson River Pkwy
White stone Br
First Phase on Transportation: Knowing how the Network Works Today

Detailed Traffic Counts

Tracking Routes Taken by Cars and Trucks

Speed Runs
State Bruckner-Sheridan Interchange study

Areas of study in State proposals

Sheridan Expressway

Hunts Point Food Dist. Center
Next Phase: Trying out different network scenarios
Hunts Point Peninsula

Largest Industrial Business Zone (IBZ) in the Bronx:
- 715 Acres
- 536 Businesses
- 12,657 Employees

- 27% increase in businesses in HP vs. 9% Citywide
- 8% increase in employment in HP vs. 4% Citywide

Higher average annual wages in food sector:
- Hunts Point: $60,740
- Citywide: $41,630

1 NYS Department of Labor 2008
Food Distribution Center:

- Occupies 329 acres; a third of Hunts Point Peninsula
- Houses over 115 firms
- >50% of 12,000 daily truck trips destined to the Produce, Meat, Fish Markets

Future Growth:

- Produce Market redevelopment
- Fish Market freezer expansion under study
- ~30 acres of vacant sites for new food-related businesses

\(^3\) NYSDOT 2003
South Bronx Greenway Implementation

Greenway in construction
Completed parks
The Sheridan Expwy. is surrounded by several neighborhoods and businesses

**Legend**

- 01 - One & Two Family Buildings
- 02 - MultiFamily Walkup Buildings
- 03 - MultiFamily Elevator Buildings
- 04 - Mixed Commercial/Residential
- 05 - Commercial/Office Buildings
- 06 - Industrial/Manufacturing
- 07 - Transportation/Utility
- 08 - Public Facilities & Institutions
- 09 - Open Space
- 10 - Parking Facilities
- 11 - Vacant Land
- All Others or No Data

**SOURCE:** MapPluto, DCP
The Expressway intersects multiple political boundary and four Community Districts.
The area experienced population loss in 70s. CD 3 lost > 60% of its population over 1970-1980

Overall growth in population over 1990 - 2000

- Parts of Crotona Park East showed larger growth 1990-2000
- Population decline in parts of Morrisania, Hunts Point & Bruckner

**LEGEND**

**POPULATION CHANGE 1990 - 2000**

**GAIN**
- 1,000 or more
- 500 to 999
- 100 to 499

**LOSS**
- 1,000 or more
- 500 to 999
- 100 to 499

**STABLE**
- -99 to 99

**SOURCE:** Census 1990, 2000
Population Trend 2000 - 2010

Divergent population growth and decline over 2000 - 2010

- Several Census Tract have stable population
- Crotona Park East continues the growth trend
- Tracts that lost population over 1990-2000 now show growth
- Decline in parts of Bruckner, Soundview, Claremont and West Farms

LEGEND
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SOURCE: Census 2000, 2010
Rental housing is the predominant housing type

- 13% of housing is owner occupied vs. 21.3% in the Bronx, 33.5% in NYC
- 8.8% vacancy rate in the area vs. 7.3% in the Bronx, 8.8% in NYC
- Share of HH paying more than 30% of their income in rent in the area is 56% vs. 54% in the Bronx and 50% in NYC
The housing reinvestment in the area has been supported by HPD financing of new construction and gut rehabs.

New Construction & Gut Rehab 4,672 DU
Owner-occupied < 20%
Pipeline 1576 DU

**SOURCE:** Department of Housing Preservation and Development, Bronx Planning Unit, 2010
Commercial Uses

Commercial uses are concentrated along major corridors

- Main commercial corridors:
  - Southern Boulevard
  - Westchester Avenue
  - Tremont Avenue

- Neighborhood retail uses are sparse

- New Horizon shopping center located on 174th Street

Legend
- ![Commercial/Office Buildings](image)
- ![Mixed Commercial/Residential](image)

SOURCE: MapPluto, DCP
Several pockets lack convenient access to food stores

- Areas in white are at more than ¼ mile distance from a food store
- A majority of the area falls within the FRESH incentive area
- The food stores vary widely in size

**Legend**
- Food stores
- ¼ mile buffer from food store

**SOURCE:** MapPluto, DCP
Three major parks
• Bronx Park
• Crotona Park
• Soundview Park

* Under construction:
• Starlight Park,
• Bronx River Greenway and
• South Bronx Greenway

Open space is concentrated in the Regional Parks

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Legend
- Parks
- South Bronx Greenway links
- South Bronx Greenway destinations

SOURCE: MapPluto, DCP
Next Steps
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• **Tours** – On July 23, July 28

• **Next CWG**
  – 09/1/2011
  – Location TBD
  – Action items

• **Public Charrette** – On 09/17/2011
The Sheridan Website

www.nyc.gov/sehp
The Sheridan Website – Several ways to participate

Join the email notification list
Submit comments online
Subscribe to RSS feed for automatic updates
Email – sheridan_hp@planning.nyc.gov
Phone – 718-220-8500
(Bronx Borough Office of DCP)
Community Engagement Process

Program for Year 2011

- First **Community Working Group** Meeting – June 28
- Scenario Development
  - Background data by Inter-Agency group – June to Sept.
  - Public Field Tours – July 23, Aug. 20
  - Reconvene **Community Working Group** Meeting – Sept. 1
  - Public Charrette – Sept. 17
  - Compilation, analysis by Inter-agency group – Sept. to Nov.
  - **Community Working Group** meeting – Oct., date TBD
  - Open Houses – Early Nov., dates TBD