34th Street SBS
Presentation to Manhattan CB 6
Transportation Committee

May 7, 2012
Agenda

I. Project Update
II. Loading Zone Curb Regulations Options
III. Project Schedule Update
Project Update

• Since last fall, DOT & NYCT have ...
  – Implemented off-board fare collection
  – Completed environmental review
  – Released the Project Analysis Report
  – Initiated design work of the project

• In the coming months, DOT & NYCT will ...
  – Finalize the implementation schedule
  – Complete design of the project
  – Begin construction
Off Board Fare Collection

- **Travel times reduced by 10%**
- **Ridership of 20,200 recorded on 3/15**
- **Time savings used to add service**
- **In April, NYCT increased frequency:**
  - 24 more weekday trips
  - 24 more Saturday trips
  - 12 more Sundays trips
- **No additional cost to the MTA**
MTA Bus Time

- Real time bus location information system
- Implemented on M34, with expansion citywide
- Information via: web, text, and smart phone
- Replaces Clever Devices 34th St. pilot project
34th St SBS
Curb Regulation Options for Loading Zones
34th St SBS Design: Overview

60 ft wide section:
East of Third Ave
West of Ninth Ave
34th St SBS Design: Overview

52 ft wide section: Third Ave to Ninth Ave
Loading Zone Goals

• What we have heard from the community:
  – Provide loading access to residential buildings, including day times
  – Provide loading access to stores and commercial spaces, including day times
  – Accommodate needs of special institutions, i.e. medical facilities
  – Parking is a low priority
Curb Regulation Toolbox: No Stopping

• Rules:
  – Vehicles may not stop at this location at any time.
  – You may not wait, stop to load/unload packages or merchandise, or drop off or pick up passengers.
Curb Regulation Toolbox: No Standing

• **Rules:**
  – Stopping to expeditiously drop off or pick up passengers allowed
  – No loading or unloading of packages or merchandise
  – No parking
Curb Regulation Tool Box: No Parking

• Rules:
  – Stopping to expeditiously drop off or pick up passengers allowed
  – Loading or unloading of packages or merchandise allowed
  – No parking
Curb Regulation Tool Box: Commercial Loading Zones

• Rules:
  – No standing regulations apply to all non-commercial vehicles
  – Commercial vehicles can load and unload goods
  – Typically paid parking in Midtown Manhattan
  – Specified parking period can be as short as 1 hour to encourage turn over
Curb Regulation Tool Box: Special Zones

• **Examples:**
  - Hotels: Hotel Loading Zone
  - Medical facilities: No Standing Except Ambulettes or Passenger Pick Up and Drop Off
  - Houses of Worship: No Parking
Curb Regulation Tool Box: Time of Day Variations

• Peak Period Regulations:
  – 7 AM-7 PM
  – 7-10 AM
  – 4-7 PM

• Night Regulations:
  – 7 PM-7 AM
  – Midnight-7 AM

• Day of Week Regulations:
  – Weekdays only
  – Weekends/Sundays only
34th St SBS Schedule Update
34th Street SBS: Phasing

- West Section – Hudson Yards Development Corporation
- Middle Section – City of New York with New York City Transit
- East Section – City of New York
Construction Schedule: West Section

• Details
  – Section is part of Hudson Park and Boulevard Project
  – Construction by Hudson Yards Development Corporation
  – Elements: bus lanes, loading zones, and 2 bus bulbs

• Schedule
  – Construction start: June 2012
  – Construction completion: July 2013
Construction Schedule: Middle Section

• Details
  – Section will be constructed by City of New York with New York City Transit
  – Elements: bus lanes, loading zones, and 9 bus bulbs

• Schedule
  – Construction start: August 2012
  – Construction completion: April 2013
City Roadwork Policy

• City policy: agencies must coordinate subsurface utility work and roadway work

• Planned utility work must happen **before** any roadway improvements built

• For 34\textsuperscript{th} St. DOT coordinated with: DEP, other city agencies, and private utilities
New York City Water Tunnel No. 3

- Major capital project to improve the NYC water system
- Includes upgrades to neighborhood water distribution systems
- City DEP plans to replace water main bet. Third Ave. to First Ave on 34th St.
- Work will be done prior to construction of 34th St. SBS for this segment
- Schedule implications for 34th St. SBS
Construction Schedule: East Section

• **Details**
  – Section will be constructed by City of New York
  – DEP elements: replacement water main and sewer line
  – DOT elements: bus lanes, loading zones, and 3 bus bulbs

• **Schedule**
  – Construction start: summer 2013
  – Construction completion: fall 2014
Thank You