Vernon Boulevard
Queens East River North Shore Greenway

• Background
• Update
• Proposal – Installation of Jersey Barriers
• Questions
Recently completed Parks paths (2012) ended at street

Vernon Blvd’s strong edge condition presented an opportunity

Continuous path experience (2.1 miles)

Accessibility – Age 8 to 80
Existing Configuration – 46th Ave to 30th Road
Long Island City to Hallet’s Cove (On-street)

45’ Wide Waterfront Street
• 2-Way, protected bike path on west side of roadway
• Slightly wider NB vehicular lane
Update

- Vernon Boulevard redesign - 2013
- Updated two-way path design along west side of street:
  - Boost in Recreational Use
  - Slower Vehicle Speeds
    - Before: 34 MPH
    - After: 28 MPH

**Vernon Blvd Ridership Volumes**

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**Vernon Blvd Pedestrian Volumes**

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Note: 2013 data collected on 9/10/13 and 9/14/13. 2014 data collected on 9/27/14 and 9/30/14 at Vernon bet 45th Ave and 45th Rd.
Proposed Configuration

45’ Wide Waterfront Street

- 2-Way, protected bike path on west side of roadway
- Slightly wider NB vehicular lane
- Jersey barriers in buffer area
- Additional flexible delineators

Location of Jersey Barriers
Introduce Jersey Barriers at Key Locations
• Makes path users feel more comfortable
• Prevents illegal vehicle movements
• Safer pedestrian crossings
• Opportunity for Public Art
Questions?

Thank You
Existing Conditions – North of 45th Road
Hallet’s Cove to Long Island City

45’ Wide Waterfront Street
• 10.5’ NB and SB Vehicular Lanes
• NB and SB Bike Lanes
• SB Parking Lane
• Truck Route
Vernon Boulevard Plan 3
Queens East River North Shore Greenway

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