

# FLATBUSH AVE AND ATLANTIC AVE

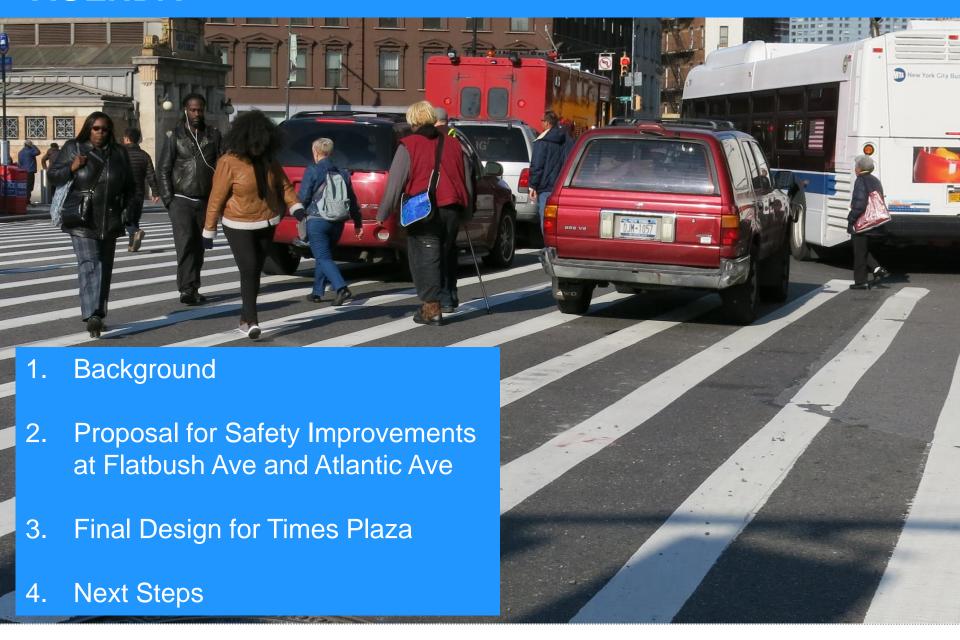
Presentation to Community Board 2 Transportation Committee

Wednesday, May 18, 2017





## **AGENDA**



**BACKGROUND** 



#### **COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY PLAN**

DOT hosted workshop on comprehensive plan on August 3, 2016

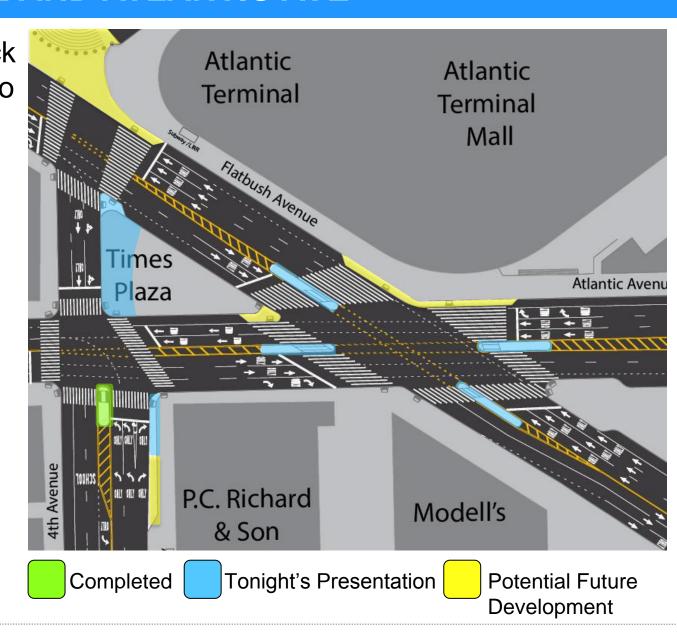
Plan includes quickresponse street improvement projects and long-term capital projects



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#### FLATBUSH AVE AND ATLANTIC AVE

 Workshop feedback on proposal used to further develop plans for the intersection of Flatbush Ave and Atlantic Ave, including Times Plaza

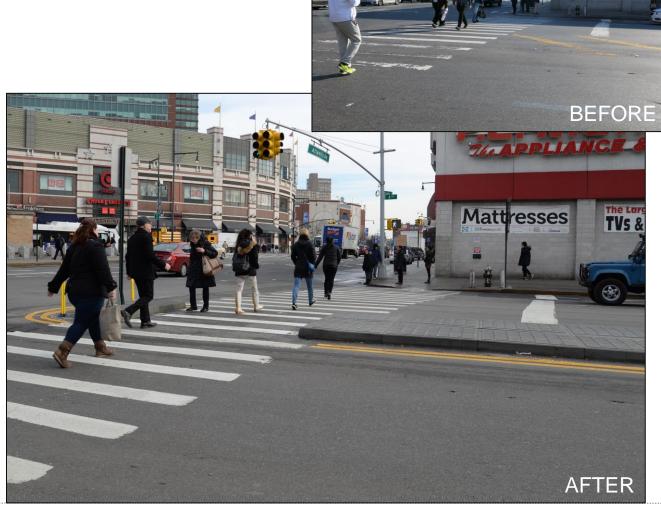


#### **COMPLETED WORK**

#### **4TH AVE AT ATLANTIC AVE**

 DOT installed rubber pedestrian refuge island in December 2016

 Created safer and shorter two-part pedestrian crossing at a Vision Zero Intersection



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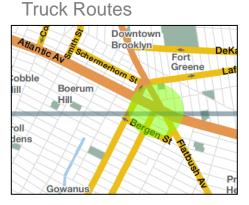


#### FLATBUSH AVE AND ATLANTIC AVE

- Major intersection of two two-way arterials
- Multi-modal hub
- New residential and commercial development
- Major entertainment and shopping destination

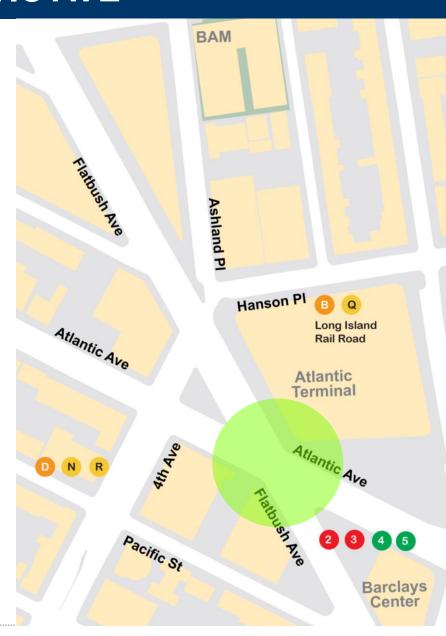
#### **Bus Routes**





**Bike Routes** 

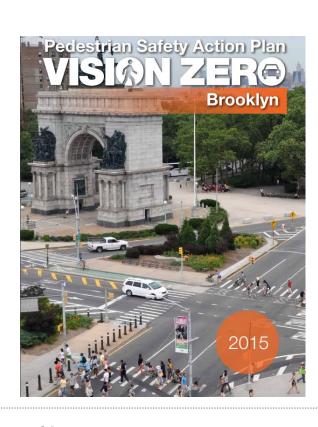


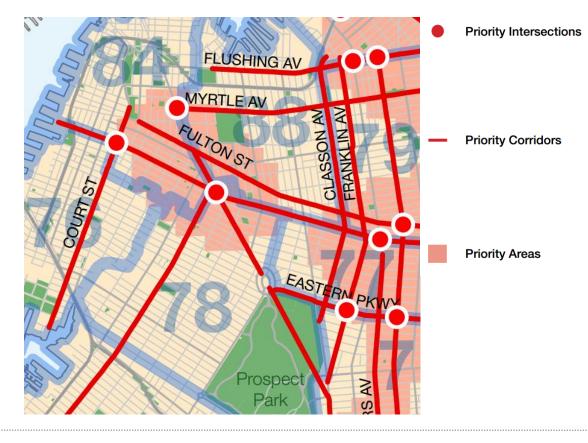


#### **SAFETY**

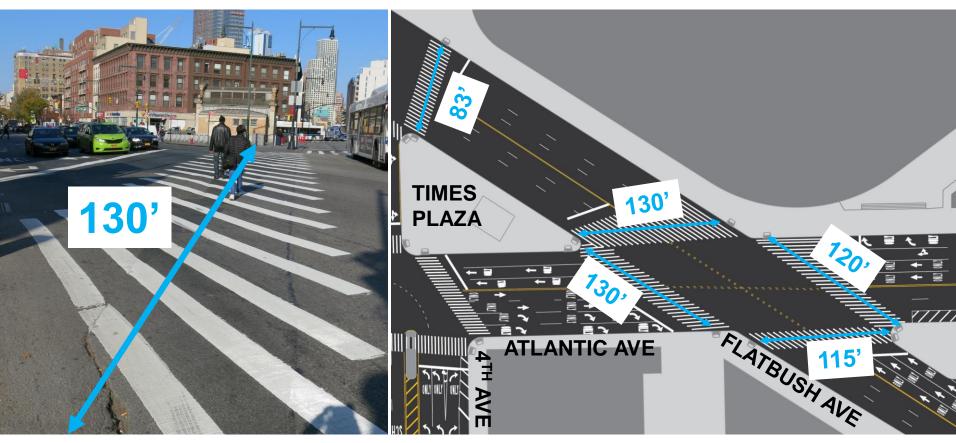
- Flatbush Ave and Atlantic Ave:
  - VZ Intersection
  - Within a VZ Area
  - Are both VZ Corridors







## **Long Pedestrian Crossings**



Atlantic Ave at Flatbush Ave Looking North

#### **Heavy Turning Conflicts Between Pedestrians and Vehicles**



Vehicles Turning into Crossing Pedestrians on Flatbush Ave at Atlantic Ave

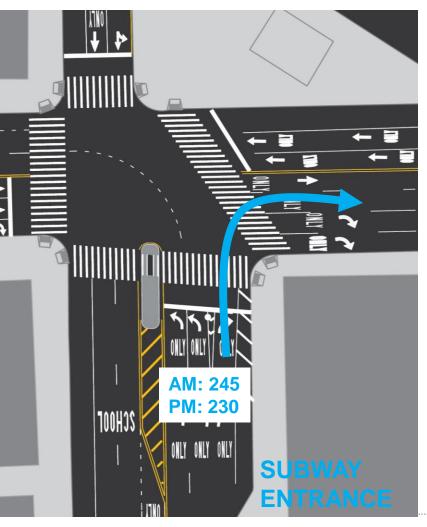
#### **Heavy Curbside Drop-off Demand**

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Flatbush Ave at 4th Ave Looking South

# **Heavy Right-Turn Demand from 4<sup>th</sup> Ave to Atlantic Ave**

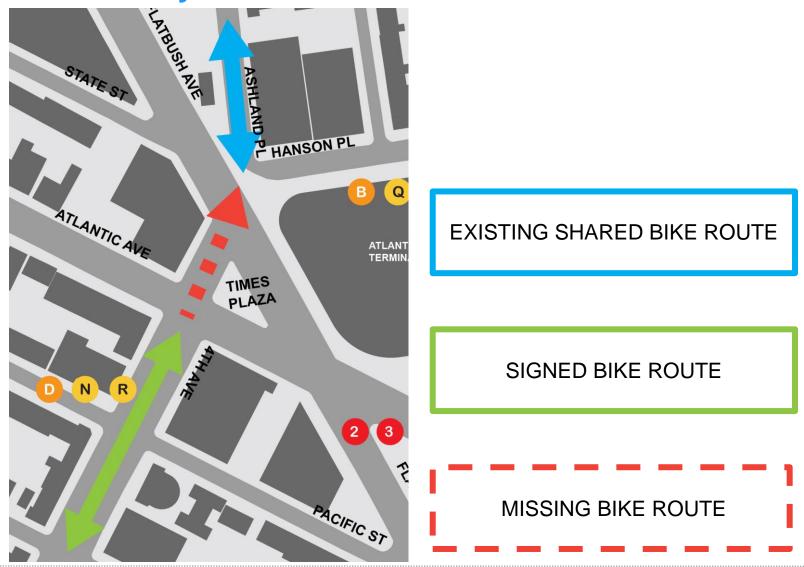


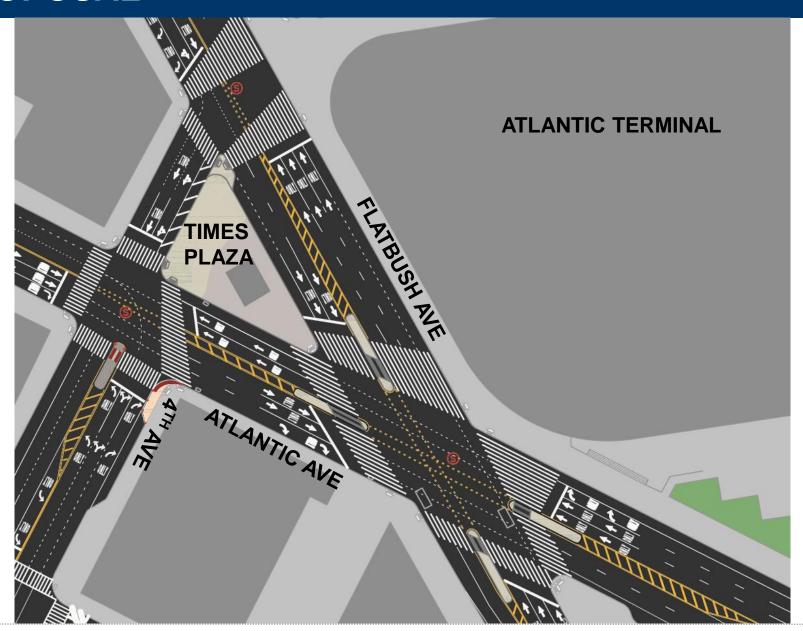
# **Subway Entrance Generates Large Number of Pedestrians**





# **Lack of Bicycle Connections**



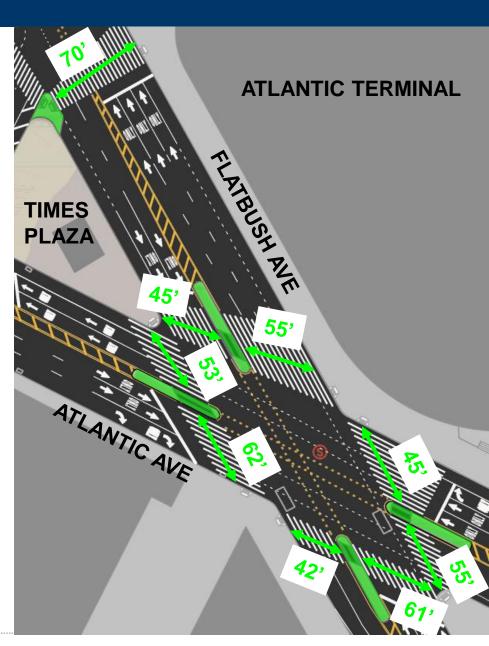


 Four concrete pedestrian refuge islands create shorter, two-part crossings



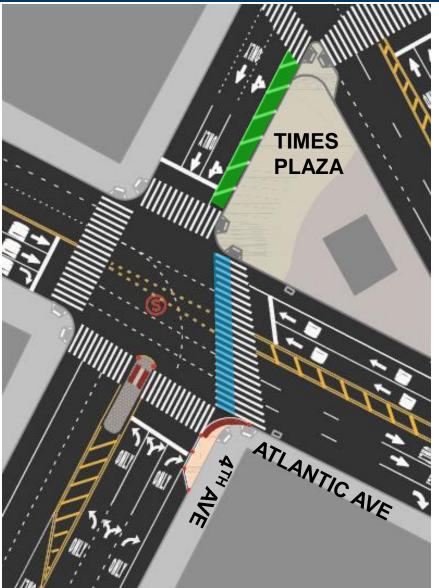
 Concrete neckdown shortens crossing





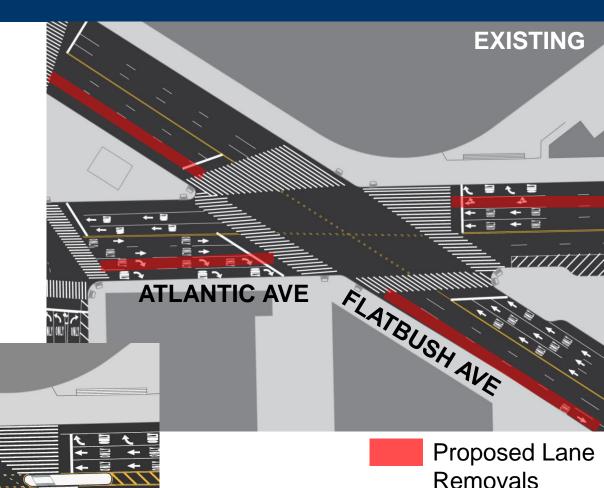
- Allow right-turns from center lane on northbound 4<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Expand south eastern crosswalk
- Add painted pedestrian space to south eastern corner (pending maintenance partner)
- Pull back curb-line to allow for future bike connections





Removal of travel lanes necessary to accommodate concrete pedestrian refuge islands

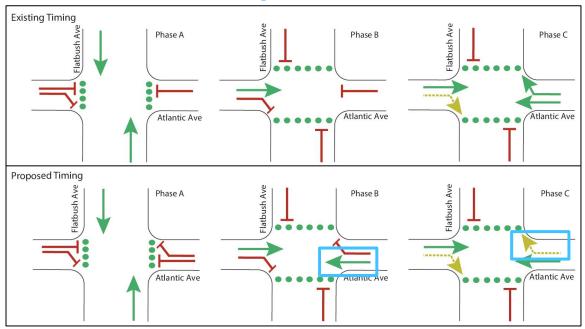
Remove one right-turn lane on Atlantic Ave at Flatbush Ave in both directions reduce turn conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians



Lane reductions in all directions have minimal impact on overall intersection level of service (LOS)

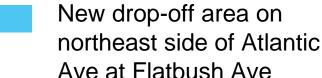
FLATBUSH AVE ATLANTIC AVE and delays **PROPOSED** 

#### **Traffic Flow Improvements**





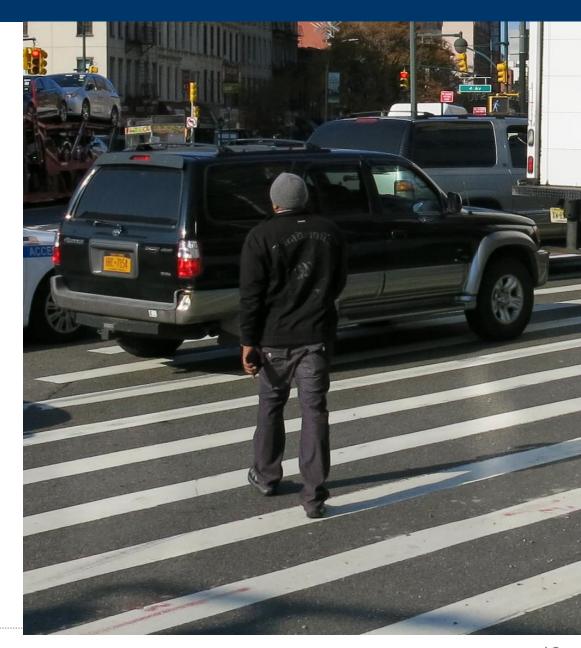
Additional 15 seconds for through traffic on westbound Atlantic Ave, while right-turns are held at the beginning of pedestrian crossing (Split LPI)



By increasing time for right-turn movement, even with lane reduction, westbound
 Atlantic Ave level of service (LOS) is improved and delays are reduced

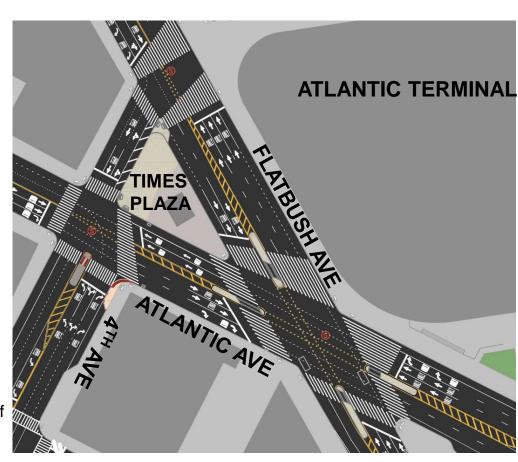
## **PROJECT BENEFITS**

- Safer, shorter pedestrian crossings
- Enhances pedestrian space
- Reduces speeding and calms traffic
- Simplifies turns and reduces turning conflicts
- Improves traffic flow
- Allows space for future bike connections



#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

- Install four (4) concrete pedestrian refuge islands on each leg of the intersection of Flatbush Ave and Atlantic Ave
- Construct concrete neckdown on south east side of Flatbush Ave at 4<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Remove one right-turn only lane from eastbound Atlantic Ave to southbound Flatbush Ave
- Only allow right-turns from one lane on westbound Atlantic Ave onto northbound Flatbush Ave
- Add split LPI signal phase for westbound Atlantic Ave at Flatbush Ave
- Add drop-off area on north side of Atlantic Ave between Flatbush Ave and Ft. Greene Pl
- Allow right-turns from center lane on northbound 4<sup>th</sup>
   Ave at Atlantic Ave
- New painted pedestrian space on south east corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave at Atlantic Ave (pending maintenance partner)
- Expand east crosswalk on Atlantic Ave at 4<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Pull back curb-line on northbound 4<sup>th</sup> Ave between Atlantic Ave and Flatbush Ave to allow for future bike connections



# TIMES PLAZA



#### **TIMES PLAZA CONCEPT DESIGN WITH DOT 2017 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS**

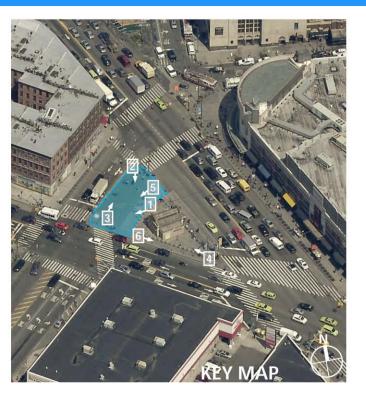
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Looking west at 4th Ave and Atlantic Ave.



NW corner looking south at 4th Ave.



SW corner looking north east at Atlantic Terminal, Flatbush Ave



Looking west at Atlantic Ave. and Flatbush Ave.



Looking south west at Atlantic Ave.



Looking east at Barclays Center, Flatbush Ave.

UNIQUE AND HIGHLY TRAFFICKED LOCATION

- SURROUNDED BY 3 MAJOR ARTERIAL ROADWAYS
- MIX OF PEDESTRIAN, VEHICULAR AND BUS TRAFFIC
- 6 CROSSWALKS
- TRANSITIONAL IN NATURE, NOT A DESTINATION

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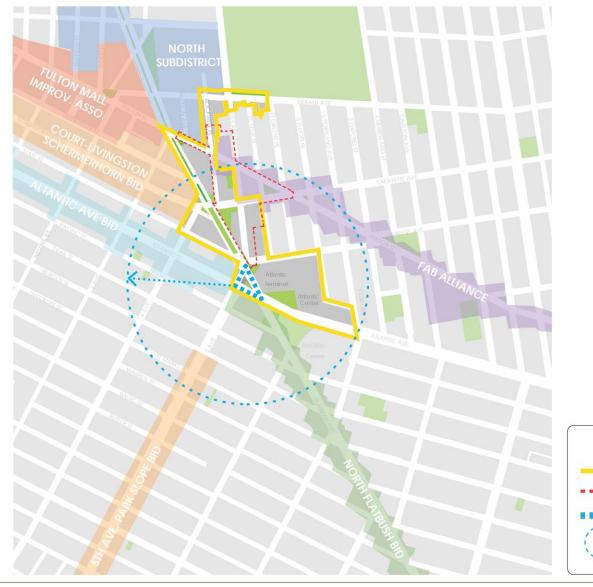
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**EXISTING CONDITIONS** 

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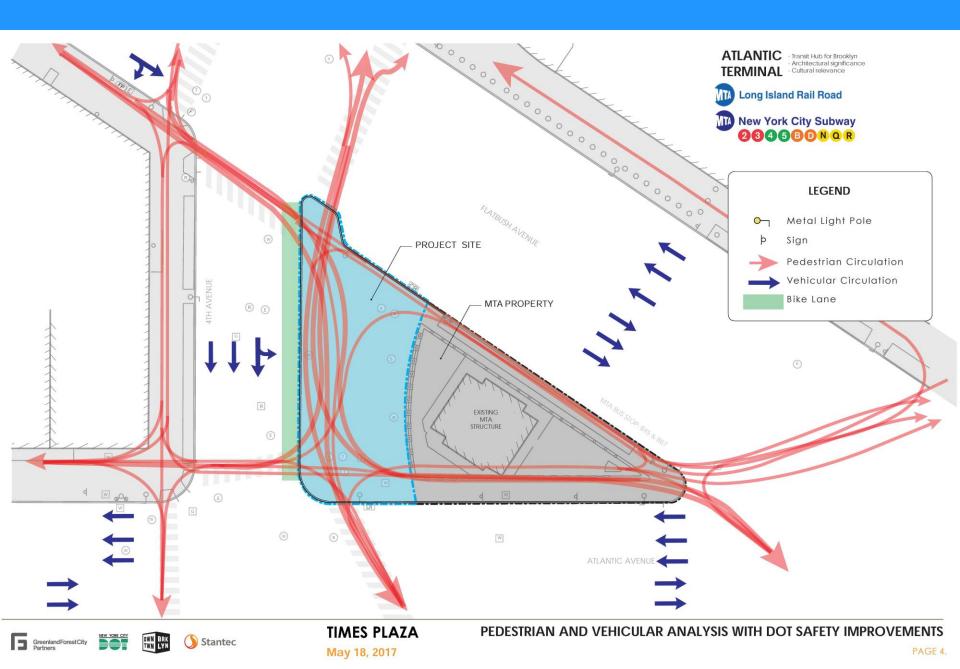
TIMES PLAZA May 18, 2017 SITE CONTEXT

LEGEND

SOUTH SUBDISTRICT BID
CULTURAL DISTRICT
PROJECT SITE

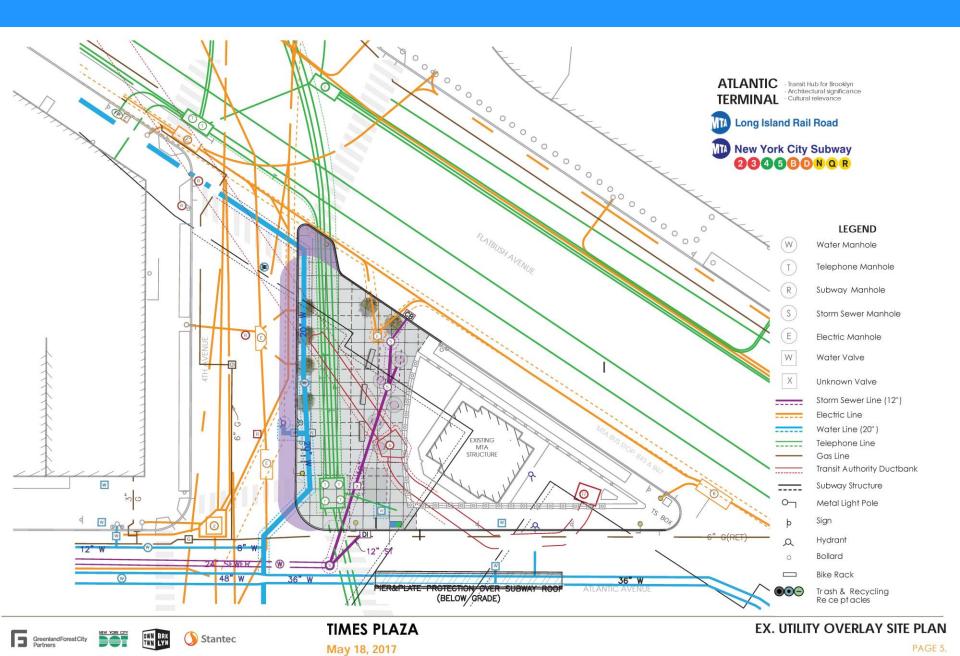
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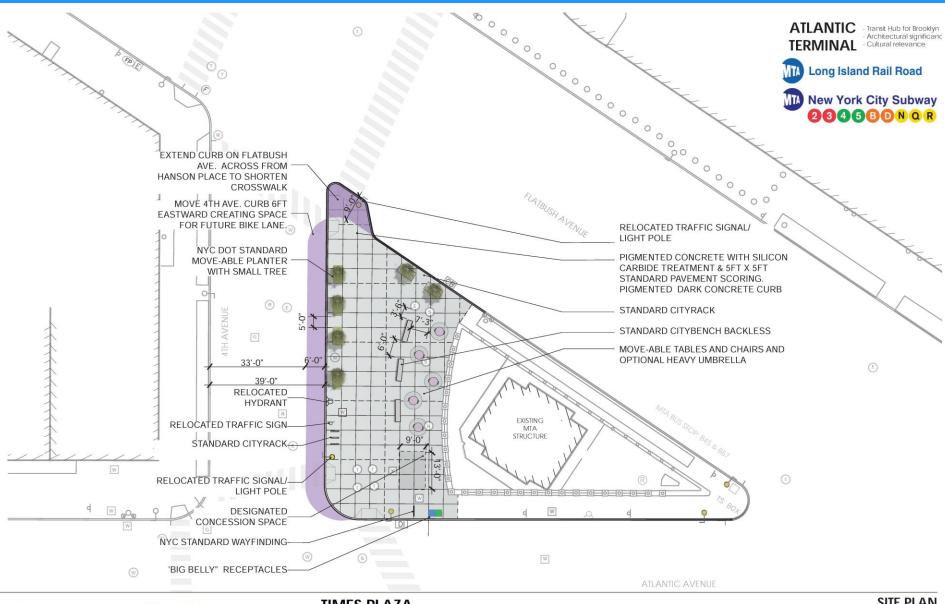
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SITE PLAN

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TABLE, CHAIRS AND SEPARATE HEAVY UMBRELLA



NYC STANDARD CITYRACK



BIG BELLY
RECYCLING & TRASH BINS



NYC STANDARD CITYBENCH



NYC STANDARD WAYFINDING



PIGMENTED CONCRETE
WITH SILICON CARBIDE
TREATMENT 5FTX5FT
SCORING



NYC DOT STANDARD MOVE-ABLE PLANTER WITH SMALL TREE

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SITE MATERIALS

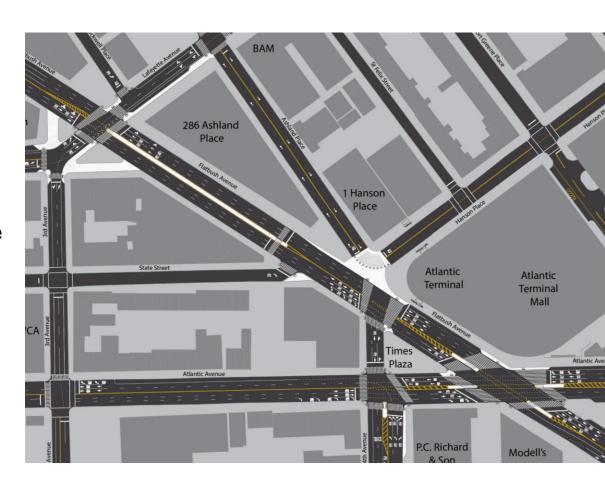
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**NEXT STEPS** 



#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Fall 2017 implementation of DOT Street Improvement Project at Flatbush Ave and Atlantic Ave
- Spring 2018 construction of Times Plaza
- Perform onsite observations to further develop comprehensive plan following implementation
- Analyze transit patterns and identify ways to improve bus operations
- Continue to improve bicycle network connections
- Advance comprehensive plan as development and capital funding is secured



## **THANK YOU!**

# Questions?













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