



Aramingo Avenue Safety Project

Somerset Neighbors For Better Living
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Office of
Transportation and
Infrastructure Systems



Who are we?

Office of Multimodal Planning

A Division of the Office of Transportation and Infrastructure Systems (oTIS)

Mission Statement:

Whether by bus, by bike, on foot, or by car, the Office of Multimodal Planning is leading innovation and engagement to ensure Philadelphians of all ages and abilities can travel safely.



Agenda

- Why this project?
- Project Scope
- What We've Heard/Seen So Far
- What Could Aramingo Avenue Look Like in the Future?

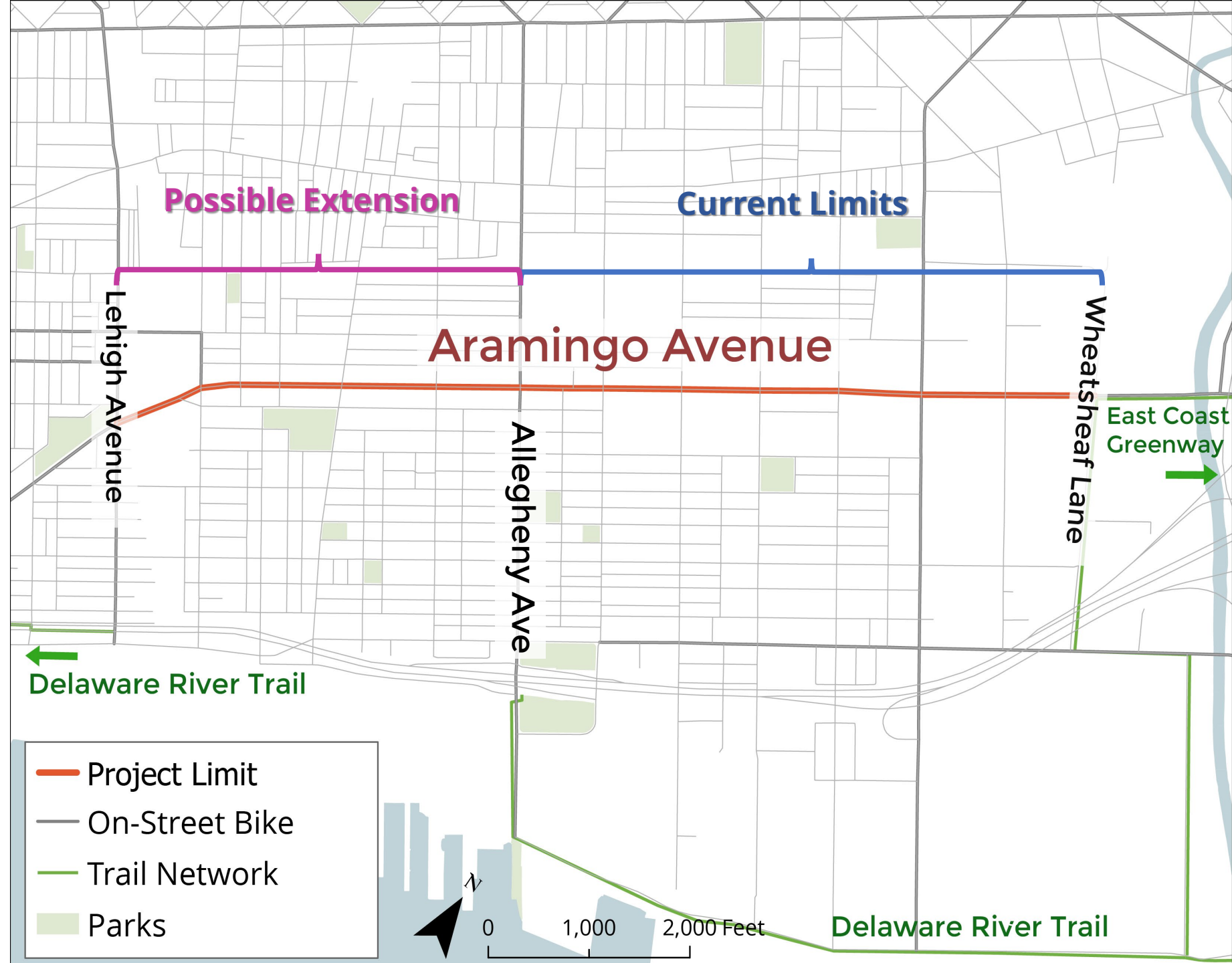


Aramingo Avenue Today

Summary of Existing Conditions Work



Project Limits





Aramingo Avenue (Allegheny – Wheatstheaf) Crash History

148

Crashes

9

Serious Injuries

406

People Involved

7

Fatalities

PennDOT Data (2018 – 2022)



Aramingo Avenue (Lehigh - Allegheny) Crash History

48

Crashes

6

Serious Injuries

111

People Involved

1

Fatality

PennDOT Data (2018 – 2022)

Key Crash Trends



High concentration of **pedestrians** and **motorcyclists** in severe cases (17/23)



Higher than city average **red-light running** rate



Large number of angled and **left-turn crashes** (> 28%)



Pedestrian crashes most often occurred at **3 - 9 PM**

SEPTA Bus Service

Few amenities or comforts for riders

SEPTA adding bus service and frequency through its Bus Revolution project



Bus Stop at Aramingo/Castor



Traffic



Heavy daytime traffic



High truck volume



Alternative route for I-95



High rate of aggressive driving at night (including running red light and speeding)



Project Scope



Project Goals



Improve safety for all road users



Expand the high-quality bike network



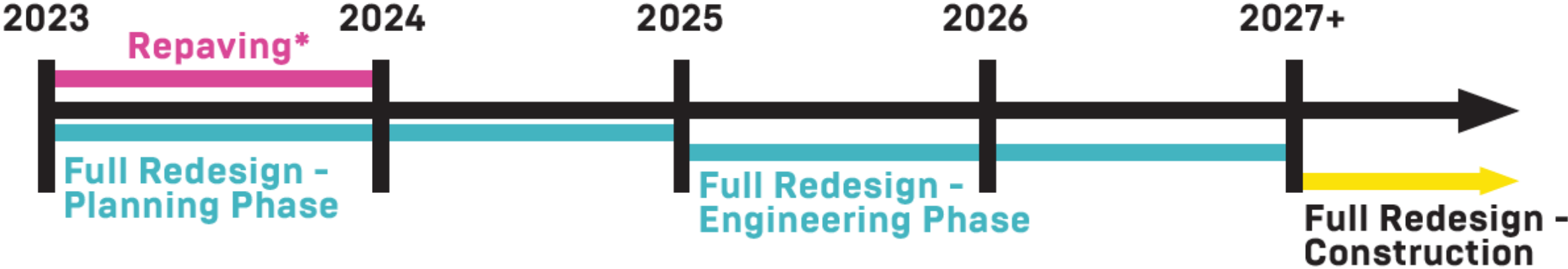
Create safe and comfortable bus stops



Incorporate additional improvements identified by the community



Project Timeline



Repaving is Complete





What We've Heard



Engagement Overview

Phase 1 – Discovery:

2 RCO meetings

1 BID meeting

1 walking audit

Total participants: 56



Engagement Overview

Phase 2 – Discussion:

3 RCO meetings

1 Open House

1 Online Survey

Total participants: 487



What We Heard

From **500+** residents, workers, and business owners.

74%

felt unsafe while traveling
on Armaingo Avenue



80%

wanted dedicated left-
turn signals



66%

supported speed cushions





What We Heard

From **500+** residents, workers, and business owners.

65%

supported traffic median



64%

likes bike lane at sidewalk level



What We heard

From **500+** residents, workers, and business owners.

Curb Extension



Bus shelters



Raised Crosswalk





What We Heard

“Aramingo absolutely NEEDS center medians!! So many [crashes] occur from people trying to cross two lanes of traffic to make a left turn. And so many [crashes] from people flying down the center lane.”



"Trees would be nice to add!
Shaded areas, things to help
reduce the heat."



“I would LOVE to bike, especially to get to connection to the Delaware River Bike trails with my kid, but it is TERRIFYING to bike down Aramingo. I have only done it 1-2 times because of fear of getting hit.”





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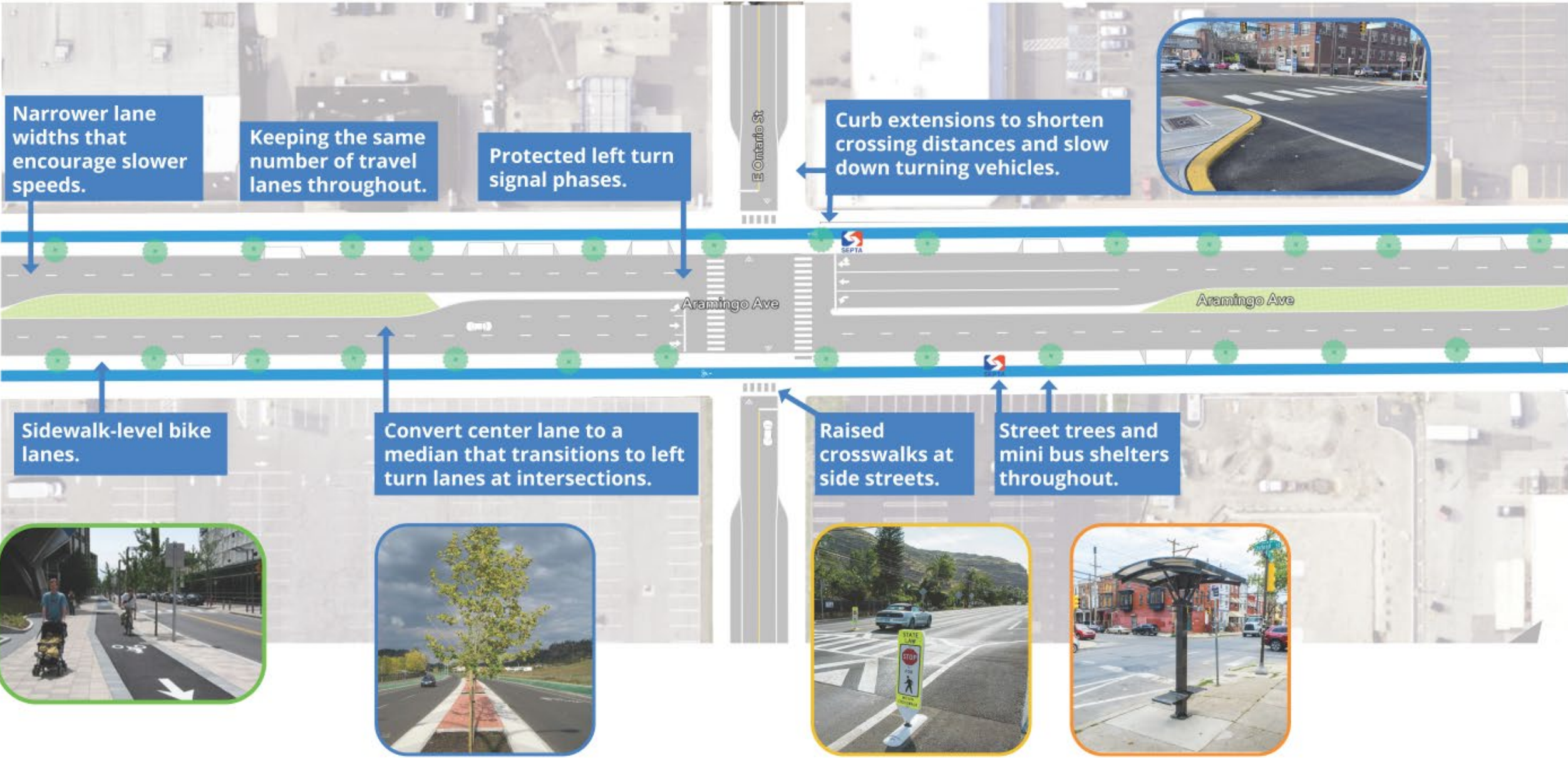
- We also heard many **want to extend this project to Lehigh Avenue**



Proposed Design



Typical Layout (Westmoreland to Wheatshaf)



Possible Extension to Lehigh Avenue

- If funding is available
- Similar to the design between Allegheny and Westmoreland



Possible extension area

Allegheny to Westmoreland

Parking is not affected

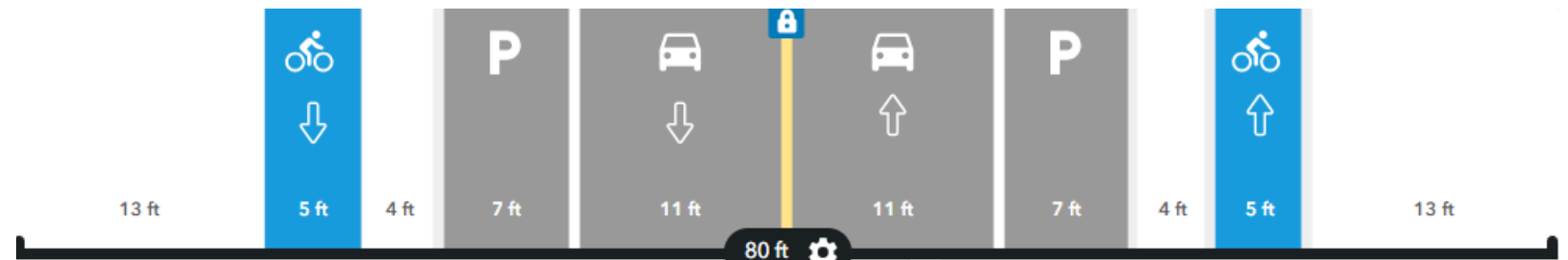
Speed cushions

Raised crosswalks on side streets

Widened sidewalk

Repaved street and sidewalk

Bike lanes will be raised to the sidewalk level





We would like to hear from you!



- Scan the QR code and take a 3-minute survey
- Learn more about the project
- Questions?

Raise your hand now or email
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