

Chestnut Street Transportation Project Open House





Project Timeline

2012

Corridor Identified as a priority for new bicycle facilities

Meeting Purpose:

I. Background

- Location
- Safety Issues
- 2. Proposal
 - Intersections
 - Driveway
- 3. Feedback

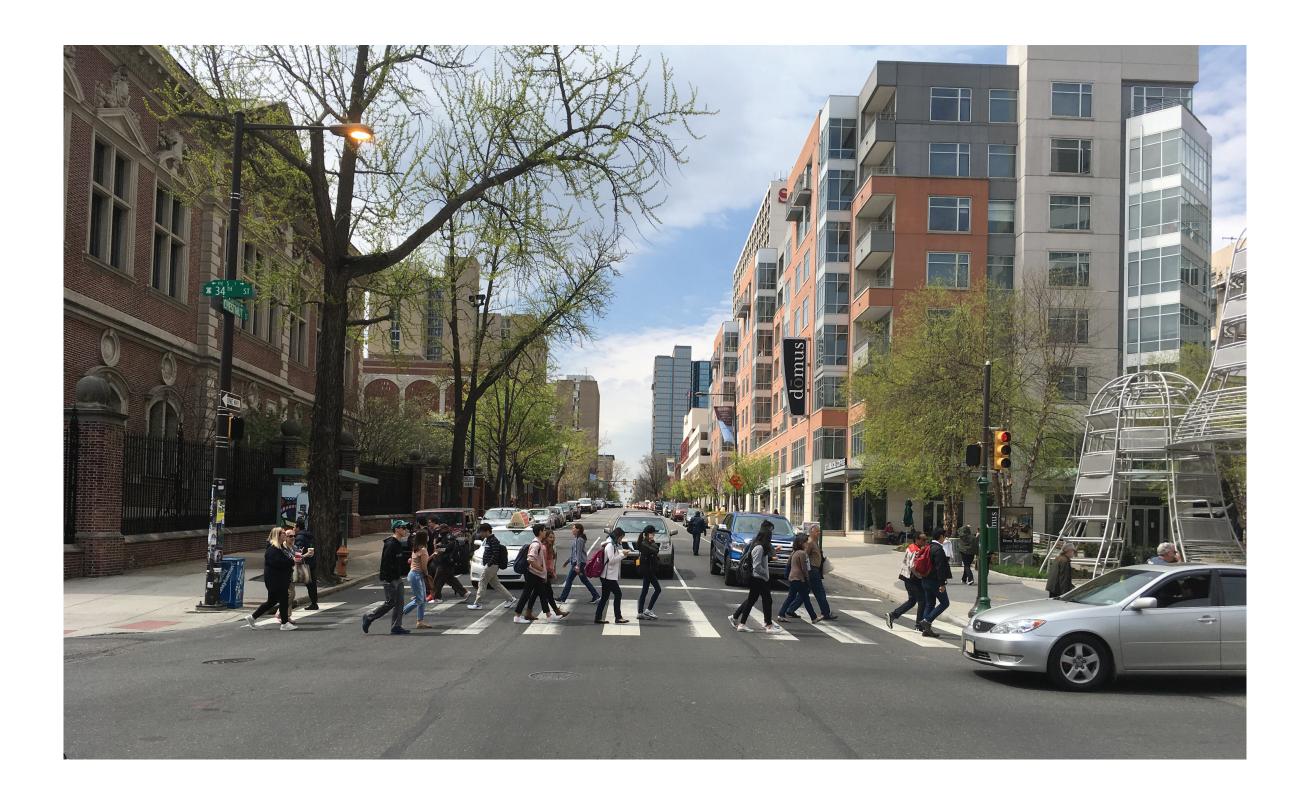
City crash report shows need for slowing vehicle traffic for safety

2015

City applies for State funding for corridor improvements

Please Review the Open House Boards. We encourage you to talk with representatives from the City and share your thoughts.





Funding received from PA Department of Community & **Economic Development Multimodal Transportation Fund**





2017

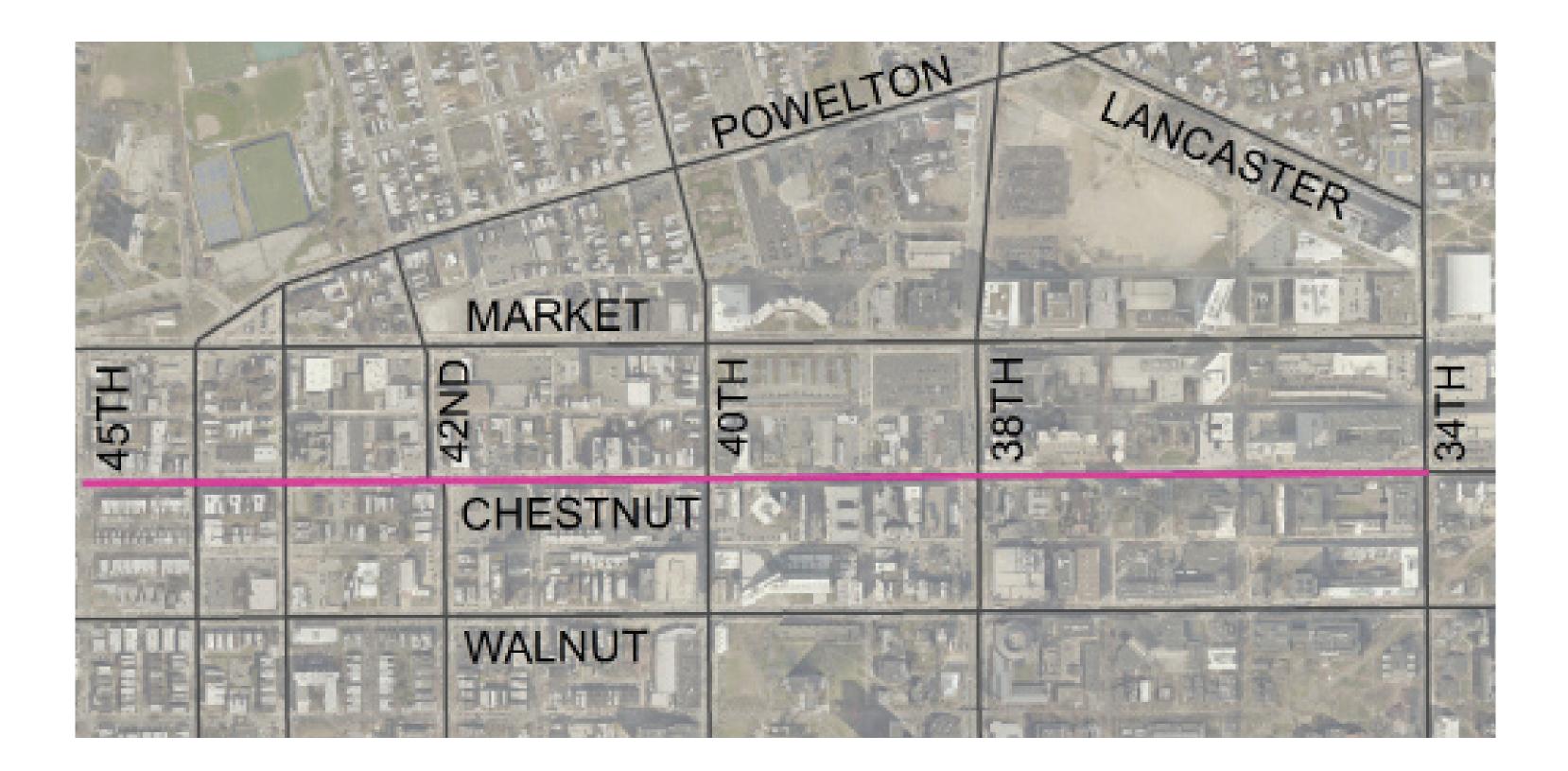
Final Design & Construction







Chestnut Street Today



Safety on Chestnut Street

- The speed limit is 25 mph. Motor vehicles average 32 mph during peak times, with a maximum of 47 mph
- Crash rates are 3x the City average/mi
- From 2009-2013, 75% of the crashes occurred between 45th and 34th Streets
- From 2012-2015, 88 crashes involving 228 persons. 34% of persons injuried were pedestrians and bicyclists.

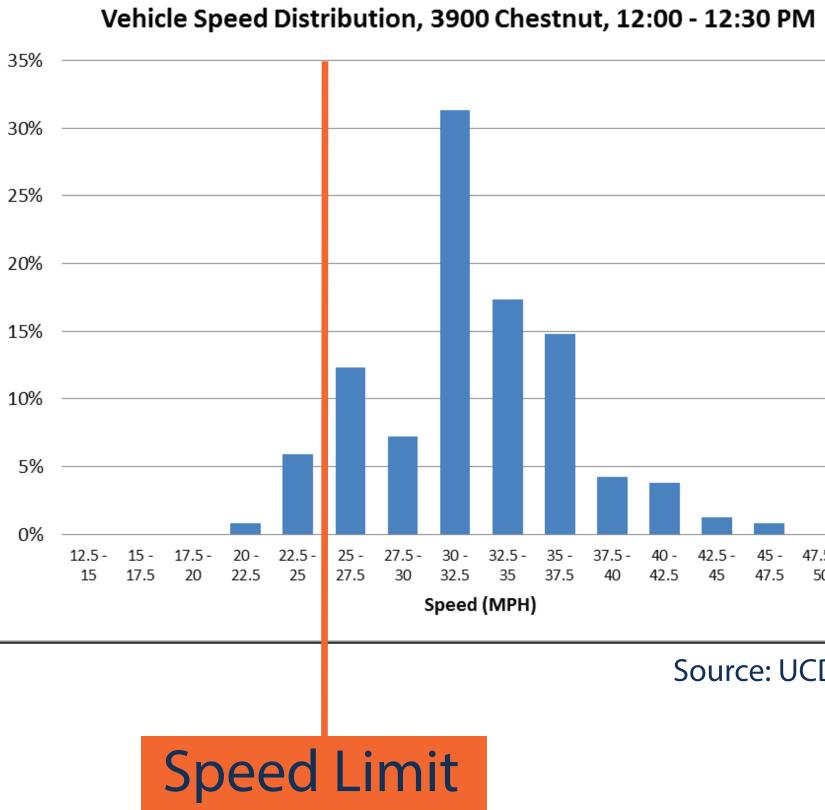


Three Motor

Vehicle Lanes

Wide Pedestrian Crossing (42')





25 mph



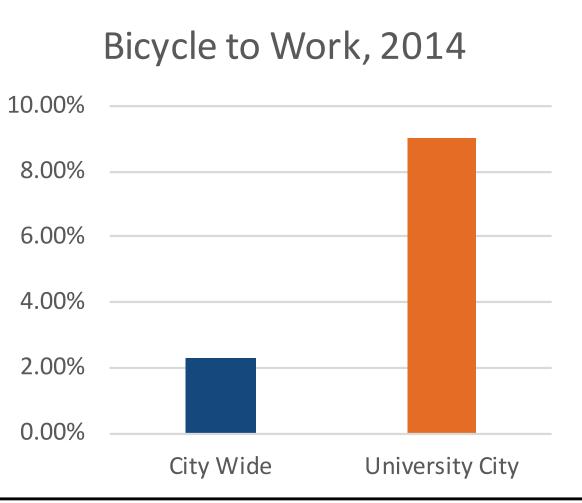
Two Parking/ Loading Lanes

Source: Univ of Pennsylvania

Chestnut Street Users



More than 600 pedestrians/hr More than 1,100 cars/hr



Data Sources: University City District Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission PennDOT

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Check out the proposed plan. Have you noticed safety concerns along the corridor? Please place a post-it note at the location.

Examples

- High speed or aggressive driving
- Blocked box/traffic back up
- **Obstruction of the Sidewalk or Crosswalk**
- Loading in the Roadway
- High pedestrian crossing area



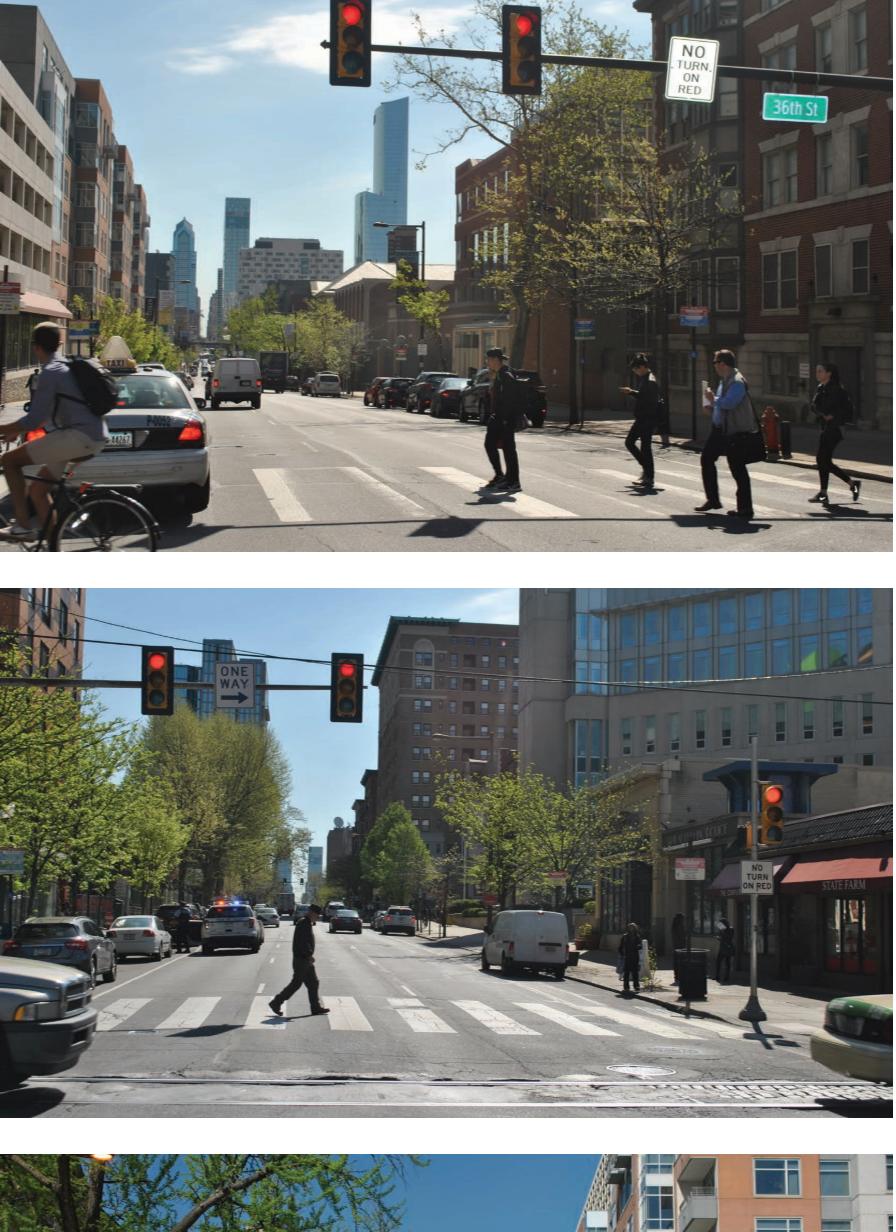


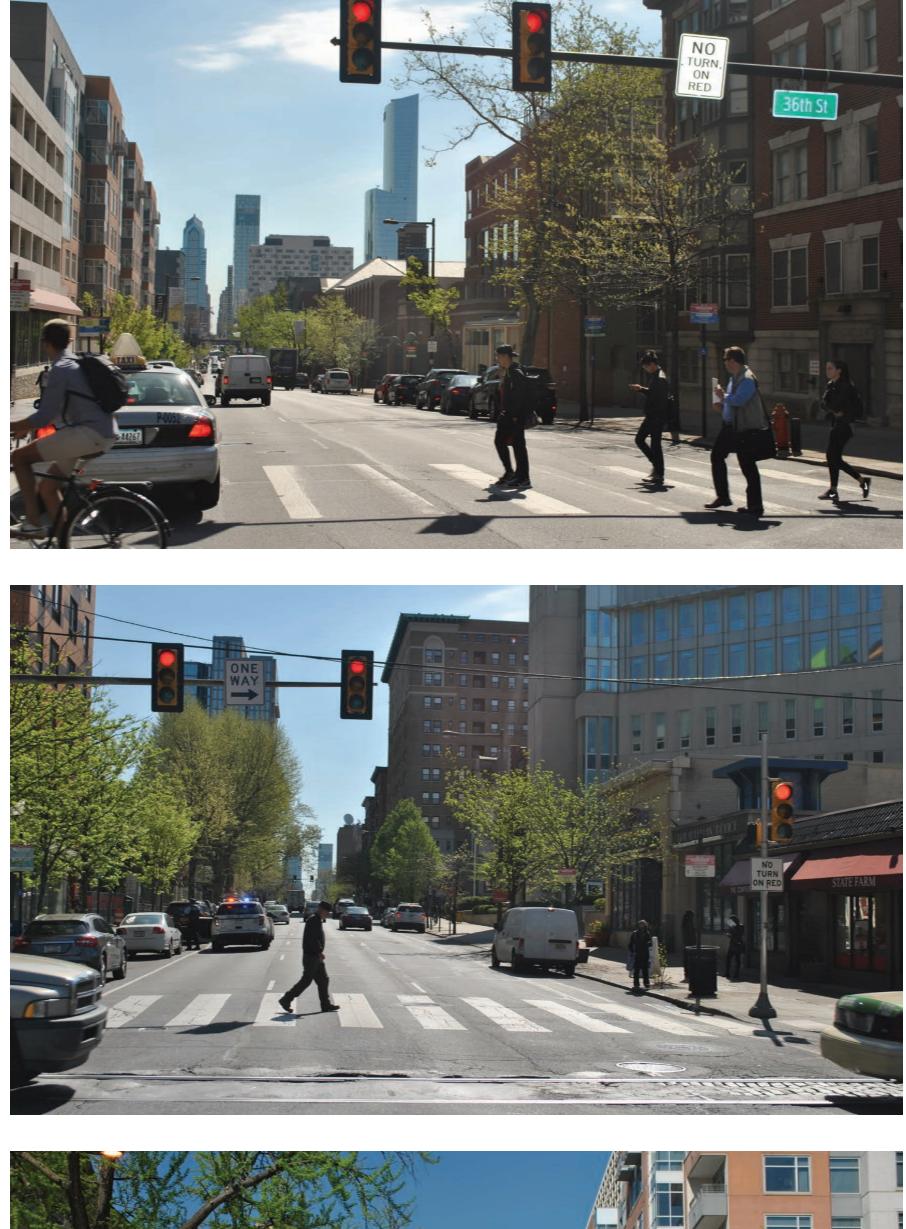




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Proposed Improvements

Driveway

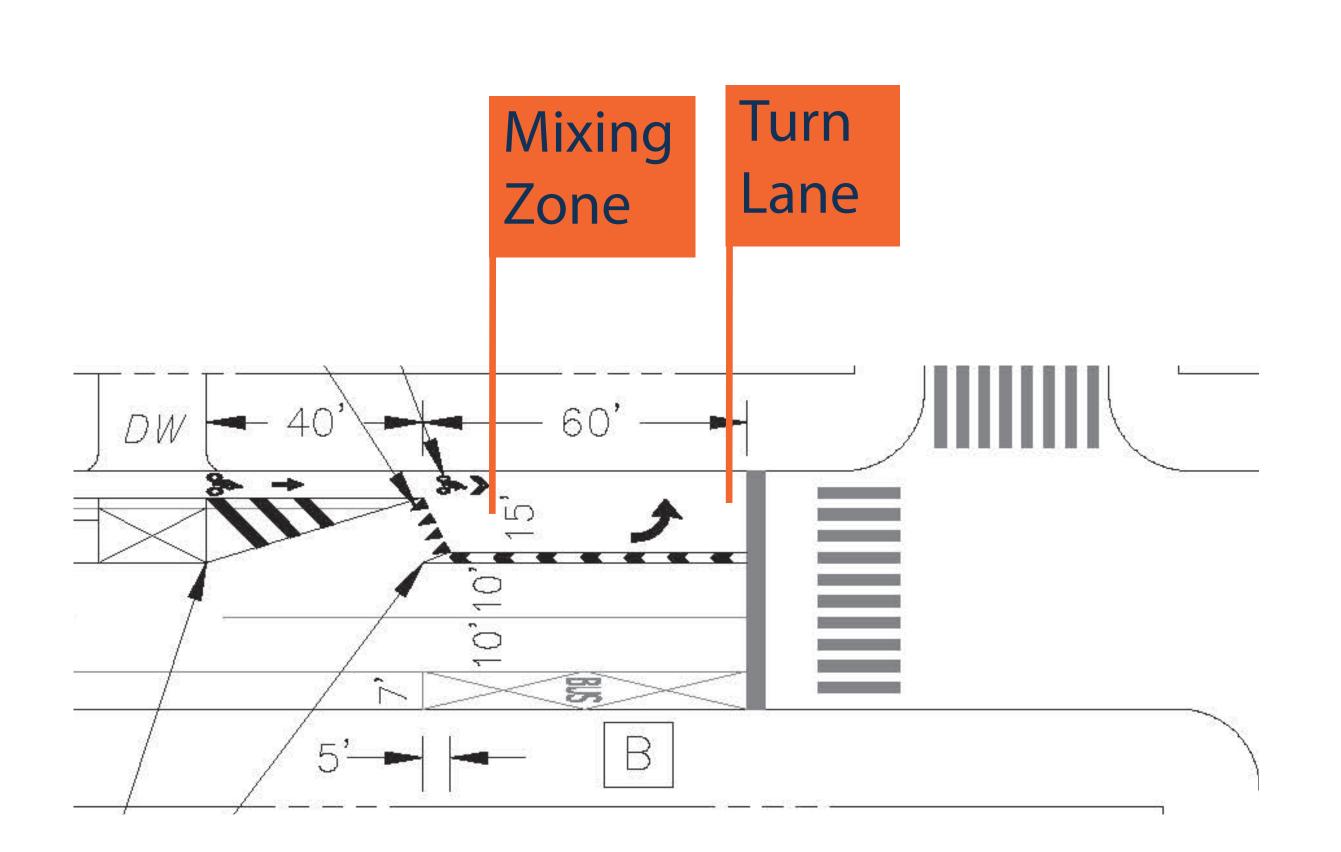
Goals for the Corridor

- Reduce speeding and weaving between lanes
- Increase transportation mode choices for all
- Improve livability and economic opportunity
- Improve safety for everyone

How will it work?

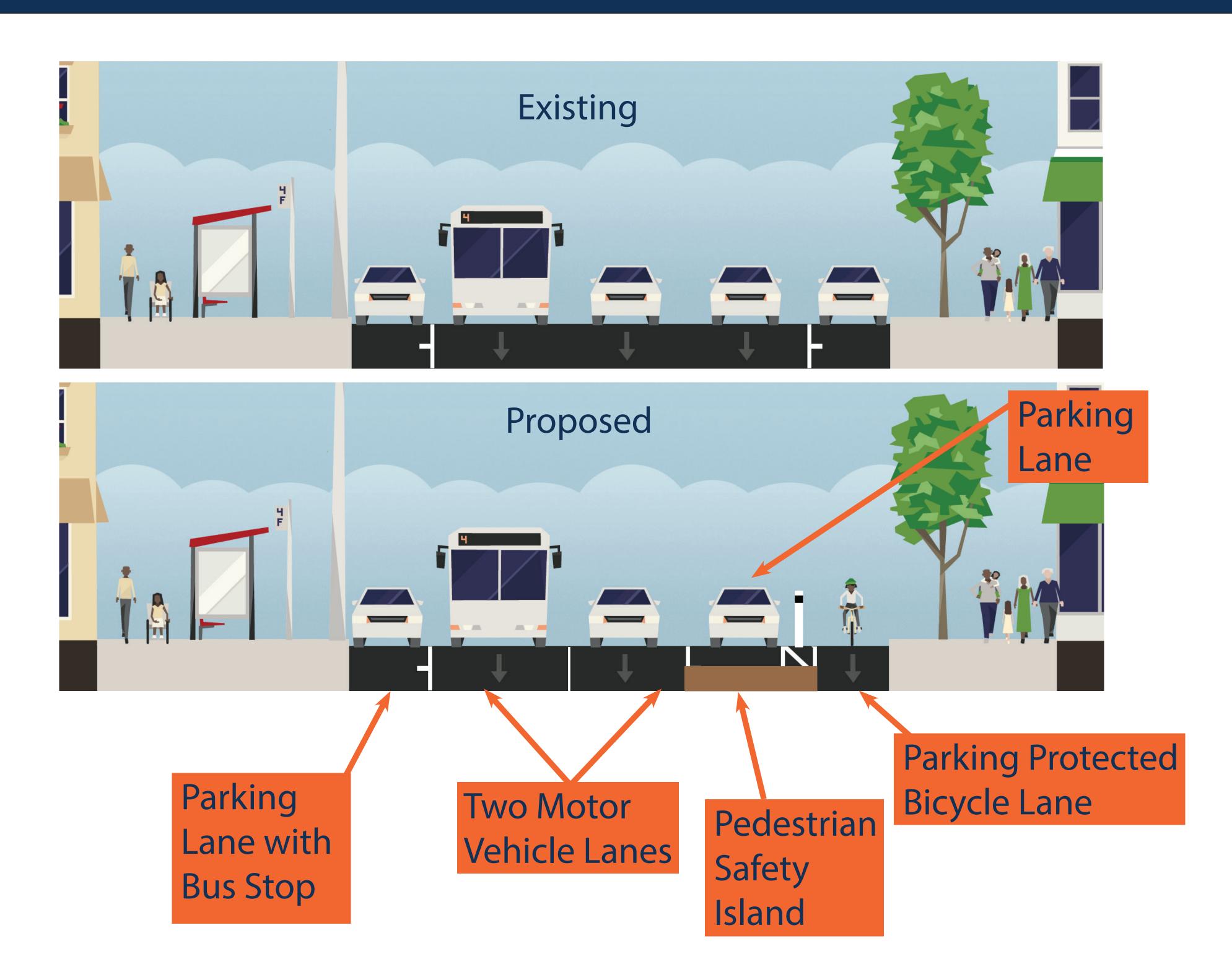
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Impacts to Chestnut Street

- Shortens pedestrian crossing distance
- Improves sight lines at corners for all users
- Reduces motor vehicle speeding and weaving
- Increases efficiency of motor vehicle movement
- Adds a 1 mile link in the bicycle network
- Creates a safe and comfortable bicycle lane that will reduce biking on the sidewalk
- Minimal impacts to motor vehicle travel time

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Benefits of Proposal

Create a safer more walkable street:

- Reduce motor vehicle speeds
- Shorten the pedestrian crossing distance
- Add pedestrian islands
- Add a protected bicycle facility

Examples in Other Cities

Painted Pedestrian Islands



Curb Protected Pedestrian Islands



Parking Protected Bicycle Lanes













Traffic Benefits All Roadway Users





Mixing Zone

New York, NY (NYCDOT)

Pedestrian Safety Island

- Motor vehicles have more sight distance at intersections
- Though bicycle volume increase, bicycle crashes typically do not because of the safer design
- Protected lanes encourage new bicyclists
- The average protected bicycle lane sees an increase of 75% bicyclists in the first year
- In New York City, corridor crashes dropped by 40-50% for all roadway users
- In NYC and Washington, D.C., sidewalk bicycle riding reduced immediately
- In Chicago, stoplight compliance by bicycles increased

Shortened Pedestrian Crossing

Photo Sources: NACTO, NYCDOT People for Bikes, UrbanCincy