

New York City Department of Transportation Presented by Pedestrian Projects Group on March 15, 2016 to Community Board 8 Transportation Committee



Enhanced Crossing Background

- Generally, NYCDOT only marks crosswalks at locations that meet federal guidelines for traffic controls
- Traffic controls include: Signals, STOP signs or crossing guards
- There are many locations in NYC where there is a strong desire to cross but pedestrians feel uncomfortable crossing because there are no traffic controls



STOP controlled crossing, Bennett Ave, Manhattan



Enhanced Crossing, Maspeth Ave, Brooklyn

 In 2014, NYCDOT updated its policy to include "Enhanced Crossings," a standard and acceptable treatment for marking crosswalks at uncontrolled locations based on federal guidelines

Enhanced Crossing Policy

Criteria:

- Long distance between marked crossings
 OR
- The intersection is adjacent to a land use that generates substantial pedestrian activity
 AND
- The street is only one lane in each direction AND
- Low daily vehicle volumes

Where possible, additional traffic calming, such as: speed humps, pedestrian refuge islands or curb extensions are included with each crossing

Eames PI: Background

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Fatality at Eames PI and Webb Ave in • October 2014

- Determined not to meet the warrant for all-way-stop in May 2015
- Speed humps installed on Webb Ave and Eames Pl in 2015
 - Meets criteria for enhanced crossings
 - Low vehicle volumes •

IBRARY

- Eames PI and Webb Ave are only one-way
- Adjacent school and library •

Existing Conditions



Pedestrian Crossing Eames PI at Claflin Ave to Access Library

Pedestrians Crossing Webb Ave at Eames PI



46% of people observed crossing were children





Enhanced Crossing Policy

ADA Compliant Pedestrian Ramps

Treatment: High-visibility crosswalk







Pedestrian Warning Signs





Enhanced Crossing Benefits

- Delineates preferred
 pedestrian paths
- Shortens distances
 between crossings
- Increases predictability of pedestrians for drivers



Enhanced Crossing, Macombs Rd, Bronx

