

## Subcommittee C: People Issues

### Recommended Short Term Improvements

### Notes

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| 1 In referencing the revised Baxter sketch, it is recommended to close Walker between Baxter and Mulberry as it is a dangerous traffic merger and will allow a space for the additional vendor space that is needed (Chinatown Market). Directional good signs will be needed to direct the bridge-bound Walker Street traffic with a left on Centre Street and then a right on Canal. The remainder of the Walker Street traffic will turn right onto Baxter. Baxter needs to stay open as a through road.  | See Sketch                       |
| 2 In referencing the revised Bowery sketch, add two Mid-Block Crossing (one on Bowery and one on Canal Street) Add attractive railings on the corners to discourage north-south crossings at those intersections (and east-west on Bowery) and guide the pedestrians to the crossing areas. Retain n-s crossing on westside of Elizabeth. Remove illegally parked cars through enforcement. Two neckdowns on Elizabeth Street. Textured, colorized, or cross hatched intersection on Elizabeth would help with vehicular intersection movement. Landscape the east side of Bowery as it is a gateway and should look pleasant. | See Sketch                       |
| 3 Triangle area at entrance to Holland Tunnel needs a complete overhaul. Look into sidewalks. Area could be turned into a pedestrian park to link TRIBECA to the areas east. Tie into nearby subway station complex as an underpass  | See 3a-e                         |
| 3a Recommend the Park Department's design for the Triangle Park area as it incorporates many good ideas and changes for this area  | PANYNJ/NYCDPR/<br>NYCDOT/CB1/CB2 |
| 3b The crosswalks for the crossing of Canal at Avenue of the Americas should be the as brick design as planned for the rest that intersection (Laight Street). Also, need to ensure the continuity of traffic flow (lanes integrity) of the vehicles traveling north on Avenue of the Americas as it jinks across Canal Street.  | NYCDOT                           |
| 3c Signal Study Analysis is needed for Varick and Avenue of Americas along Canal to reanalyze the pedestrian timing with the changes to the area and to see about the feasibility of a left turn for east traffic from Canal north onto Avenue of the Americas (relieve the backlog of the northbound turn traffic at West Broadway).  | NYCDOT                           |
| 3d The area west of Varick Street needs a comprehensive study for pedestrian flow in CATS2.  | Long Term CATS2                  |
| 3e Need to look into the viability and (re)design of the Varick Overpass.  | Long Term CATS2                  |
| 4 Four mid-block crossings along Canal Street (Cortland, Mercer, and Bowery x2)  | NYCDOT                           |
| 5 Hi-visibility crosswalks as part of repaving project   | NYCDOT                           |
| 6 Prohibit turns at the intersection of Canal Street and Broadway during certain timeframes (all directions). Need to see ramification such as Bdwy SB to Worth St   | NYCDOT                           |
| 7 Trees need to be incorporated into the sidewalks and any future median design.   | NYCDOT/DPR                       |

8 Lighting needs to conform to the pedestrian standard and install ped-scale lighting

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Pedestrian malls at Cortlandt Alley (Lafayette to Canal) and Mott Street

Some contention to  
Mott Street Mall

10 Enforce parking on Canal Street (Police Vehicles)

11 Truck muni-meters with progressive pricing. All day parking is killing commerce.

12 Consider Lafayette south-bound for truck routing

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13 Subway / Surface Interface and Underground Passage (Next sub-committee meeting)

**Long Term**

L1 Sidewalk widening along Canal Street

L2 Can consider if median is feasible through analysis, geo-metrics is important.

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