Approximate Buffer Strip Measurements for the McKownville Section of Western Avenue

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The distance between the edge of the right hand car lane and the private property line was measured. The distances or widths, were measured in feet, for **the buffer strip width** and its three components-- **the bicycle lane width**, **the green strip width**, **and the sidewalk width** for each of 23 sections of Western Avenue in McKownville. Comments for areas where measurement was complex have been included. For the area along Western Avenue near the McKownville Methodist Church, for example, the data are to be read as 14 feet wide for the buffer zone, 5 feet wide for the bicycle lane, 4 feet wide for the green strip and 5 feet wide for the sidewalk.

North Side of Western Avenue in McKownville

McKownvile Methodist Church area----14-5-4-5

Thruway bridge area----11-6-0-5

Northway bridge area----17-7-0-10

Roberts Realty area----3-3-0-0. In addition there is a 3 foot wide curb.

Guilderland Chamber of Commerce--Stuyvesant area----20-4-11-5

Fuller Road doctor's offices area----7-3-0-4. There is a tree lined grass brim behind the sidewalk.

Elmwood--Parkwood block----17-9-3-5

Parkwood--Glenwood block----17-9-3-5

Gienwood--Norwood block----17-10-2-5

Norwood--Waverly block----19-9-5-5

Waverly--Knowles block----19-9-5-5

Knowles--Photo store area----The buffer width varies from 8 to 20 feet, the varying width of the grass strip being the main cause of this. The sidewalk is about 3 feet wide in this section while the bicycle lane varies from 1 to 7 feet.

Getty station--university exit area----The Getty station driveways consume the buffer strip though there is an 11 foot bicycle lane, a 3 foot sidewalk and grass brim here

while there is a 10 foot sidewalk in front of the university property.

South Side of Western Avenue in McKownville

Church Road--Schoolhouse Road block----5-5-0-0. There is an 11 foot sidewalk but only on the bridge, while the bicycle lane is 3 and 4 feet for the bridge and the overpass portion of Western Avenue.

Schoolhouse Road--Highland block-----18-5-8-5

Highland--dentists offices area----22-4-13-5

Burger King--Country Buffet area----17-4-9-4. In front of the Country Buffet there is but a 4 foot bicycle lane. No sidewalk and no green strip. However, there is a concrete and stone raised area containing street lamps that might become a sidewalk.

1450--McKown Road----22-11-7-5. The 1450 property has a 15 foot bicycle lane, no green strip and no sidewalk but a 7 foot tree filled brim behind the curb. The 5 foot sidewalk runs from the Holiday Inn to the edge of Passonno's. The green strip for Passonno's varies from 5 to 10 feet.

McKown Road--Westlyn block----9-9-0-0. There is a raised stone and concrete area in front of the gas station that might become a sidewalk. A 5-6 foot sidewalk in front of the two residences in this block and a 4 foot bicycle lane would not leave sufficient area for a green strip, but then a green strip may not be required in all areas.

Westlyn--Brookwood block----10-10-0-0. A repeat of the above for the two residences in this block, with the addition that there is 21 foot buffer area, a 9 foot bicycle lane, a 8 foot green strip and a 4 foot sidewalk in front of the realty office.

Brookwood--Arcadia block----22-9-9-4.

Arcadia--Hillcrest----22-10-7-5. The one parking lot for Across the Street Pub does not contain a green strip or a sidewalk.

Hillcrest--city line----The 11 foot bicycle lane in this section vanishes at the city line. In front of Dunkin Donuts and the old motel there is a small stone and concrete raised brim next to the bicycle lane but no sidewalk. In front of the Best Western there is a much larger stone and concrete raised brim adjoining the bicycle lane and again no sidewalk. For the three wooden structures there is the 11 foot bicycle lane and a grassy path that becomes a sidewalk at the city line.

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