

TRANSIT WORKING CONCEPTS
(PLEASE VISIT THE “STREETSCAPING AND TRANSIT” TABLE
FOR MORE INFORMATION)

Install shelters at the following stops:

Eastbound side
1700 Western/Wolanin Plaza
(or Price Chopper)
1450 Western
(where bench is currently installed)
Fuller/Burger King
McKown Road
Arcadia Avenue

Westbound side
Western/SUNY entrance
Stuyvesant Plaza main driveway
Church Road

Establish **SUNY system connection** to Crossgates mid-mall transit center

Develop system for **discounted SUNY student use of CDTA transit** (either SUNY ID card-based or University-sponsored CDTA Swiper program) – tie to parking permits (discount for students holding permits – encourage those with cars to leave them on campus for these trips)

Enhance **senior citizens’ bus system ties to CDTA** system

Enhance **traveler information** through installation of real-time bus status signs at shelters

NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY DESIGN CONCEPTS
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Construct **median on east leg of Western/Fuller** (with turn pocket for Burger King access)

Redevelop McKownville Reservoir area as a recreational destination including paths, benches

Install **trailblazer signage** at Western Avenue intersections and along local streets directing people to parks and trails

Progress implementation of Town’s **streetscape standards by area**, reflecting elements including pedestrian-scale/height (c. 10’) lighting, uniform grass strips, wide sidewalks and bike lanes.

- Western Avenue east of Fuller Road
- Western Avenue from Fuller Road to Fuller Road Alternate (the Northway)
- Western Avenue from Fuller Road Alternate to Johnston Road
- Fuller Road from Western Avenue to City line

PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE WORKING CONCEPTS
(PLEASE VISIT THE “PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE/TRAILS” TABLE FOR MORE INFORMATION)

Long-term sidewalk reconstruction plan for all substandard width/condition sidewalks (to 5' width standard) – will identify and prioritize, subject to ongoing examinations with Town Highway and Engineering Departments

- Jogs to opposite side in cases where ROW or other issues mean can't get 5' on one side but could if moved everything over
- Where don't want to/can't do jog, may have to go to 3' or 4' for short length to complete the connection

New sidewalk construction including the following:

- eastbound side of Western Avenue
 - 1690 Western Avenue (just past Wolanin Plaza/1700 apartments) to Alton Road
 - Jade Fountain restaurant to the Cemetery (and improve the existing sidewalk in front of the Cemetery)
 - Church Road to Thruway bridge
 - Thruway bridge to Schoolhouse Road
 - Holiday Inn Express to city line
- westbound side of Western Avenue
 - Mobil station east of Gabriel Terrace to Gabriel Terrace
 - 1677 Western Avenue to Johnston Road
- northbound side of Johnston Road
 - Westmere Elementary School to Route 20 (minimum length of connection; consider further to south as well)
- southbound side of McKown Road
 - Western Avenue to Abele Park access (past Woodscape Drive) (note: have to have Passono relocate dumpster near road; some cut back and fill will be needed to reach Woodscape)
- eastbound side of Strawberry Lane
- sidewalk/extension along Tracy and Mercer Streets to provide connection to walking path to Stuyvesant Plaza

Trail/path construction including the following:

- Freedom Quad (University at Albany) to Stuyvesant Plaza via Tracy Street
- eastbound side of Western Avenue at the east end of the Thruway bridge to Schoolhouse Road (pedestrian/cyclist-activated signal may be required at the Schoolhouse Road intersection)
- Patricia Lane to Westmere Elementary School
- McKown Road to Abele Park (connection exists – need to clarify McKown Road access point and do some clearing work)
- Stuyvesant Plaza area to McKown Road following watercourse
- Utility right-of-way trail system between Fuller Road and Northway (Ivan's map)
- Utility right-of-way trail system south of Western Avenue and east of Schoolhouse Road
- Selected dead ends off Western Avenue to SUNY Perimeter Road sidewalk

Note: It is important to accompany trail development with a **trail map** to ensure local/visitor knowledge of these opportunities

Draft **new zoning ordinance provisions** on land use-pedestrian interconnections (building setbacks, parking lot connections, internal access)

For roadways, draft **roadway design provisions** incorporating sidewalks, utility strips, bike lanes, travel lanes. Accompany with sample typicals

Reduce the widths of the bike lanes exceeding 5' on Western where possible to a 5' standard; and use remaining space to increase width of utility strip and/or increase sidewalk width

Establish a **bicycle parking requirement** in the zoning ordinance

Establish a **neighborhood bike route system**, including the following facilities:

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| Western Avenue | Woodscape Drive |
| Fuller Road | Alton Road |
| Schoolhouse Road | Tice Road |
| Church Road | Thruway bridge bypass route connecting |
| McKown Road | Western Avenue and Schoolhouse Road |
| Strawberry Lane | McKown Road-Abele Park connection |
| One dead end street between Western Avenue and SUNY | |

**OPERATIONAL WORKING CONCEPTS
(PLEASE VISIT THE "TRAFFIC OPERATIONS" TABLE FOR MORE
INFORMATION)**

Establish the reduction of the speed limit to 35 MPH on Western Avenue between the City line and Fuller Road as a policy goal for the community (with prevailing speed reductions to be achieved through traffic calming and other treatments)

Install **bulbouts on Western Avenue** at intersections and/or midblock between the City line and Fuller Road (both directions)

Pursue **access management treatments** (driveway reductions, turn restrictions and/or internal circulation changes) at the following sites:

<u>Top Priority Locations</u>	<u>Secondary Priority Locations</u>
Best Western/Capitalodge/Dunkin' Donuts (driveway turn restrictions and internal circulation changes)	1450 Western (tie parking lots of office buildings next door to this one, to provide access to signal)
Vacant parcel across from Mangia's (driveway access through or next to church lot)	Liberteks.com/Jade Fountain, 1648-1652 Western Avenue (reduce Liberteks driveway width, reorganize internal circulation)
Germano's Auto Repair/Capital WinAir, corner Western/McKown (curb off to provide one standard width driveway access on either street)	Mobil station, Western opposite Alton (possibility of reducing two driveways to one)
Eastbound side Western at Alton Road (two full access driveways – reduce to one) – 2 full access eastbound side	Former gas station, Western at Chapman (three driveways – two on Western, one on Chapman – reduce to one per street)
Eastbound side Western at Church – gas station lots, Western at Fuller (reduce two Western Avenue driveways to one)	Burger King/Dentist's office parking (close off Dentist's Western Avenue access/provide access through BK?)

Undertake **further exploration of taking out the westbound acceleration lane** on Western Avenue between Fuller Road Alternate and Crossgates mall (convert to utility strip and bike lane, or redesign area to have a median)

Install pedestrian button–initiated "NO RIGHTS ON RED" signs at Western/Fuller and Western/McKown/Norwood

Prohibit right turns on red from Church Road at Western/Church

Reposition pedestrian buttons on southeast and southwest corners of Western/Church or add bicyclist-accessible buttons streetside; **implement "all red" phase of 12 seconds' duration** when pedestrian phase is called (to allow pedestrians better head start in crossing and allow cyclists the opportunity to cross Fuller Road Alternate access lane before motor vehicle traffic can proceed)

Enhance pedestrian crossing opportunities at Western/Crossgates by installing a crosswalk and pedestrian countdown heads in the middle of the English Couplet. Clarify for pedestrians (particularly those walking along the westbound side of Western) that there is a sidewalk to Crossgates adjacent to the Crossgates exit direction road)