

# Fifth/Madison Avenue Bus Priority



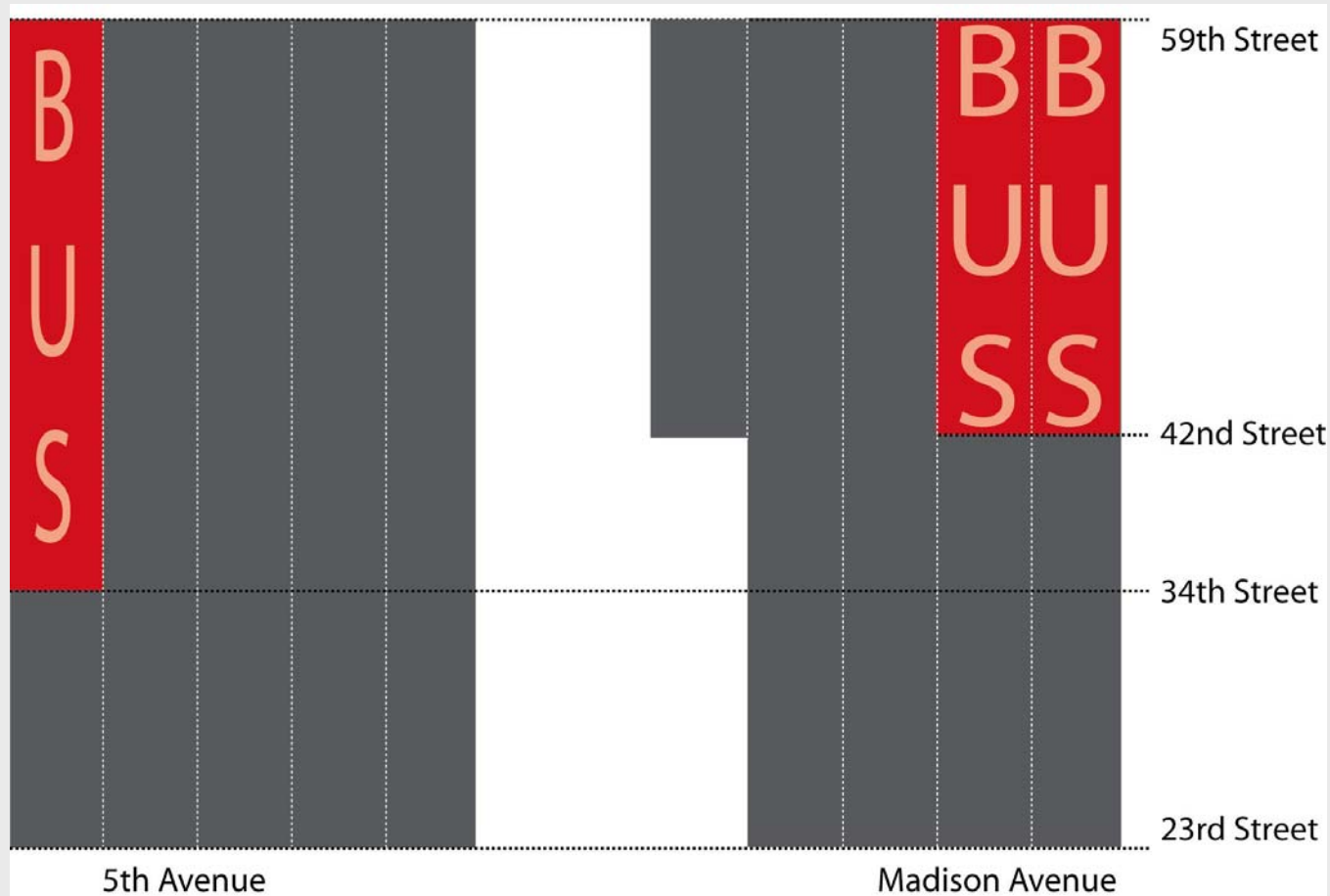
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## Key Features:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue converted to double bus lane, extended to 23<sup>rd</sup> street
- Madison Avenue double bus lane extended to 23<sup>rd</sup> street
- Bus lanes painted red
- Additional overhead signage

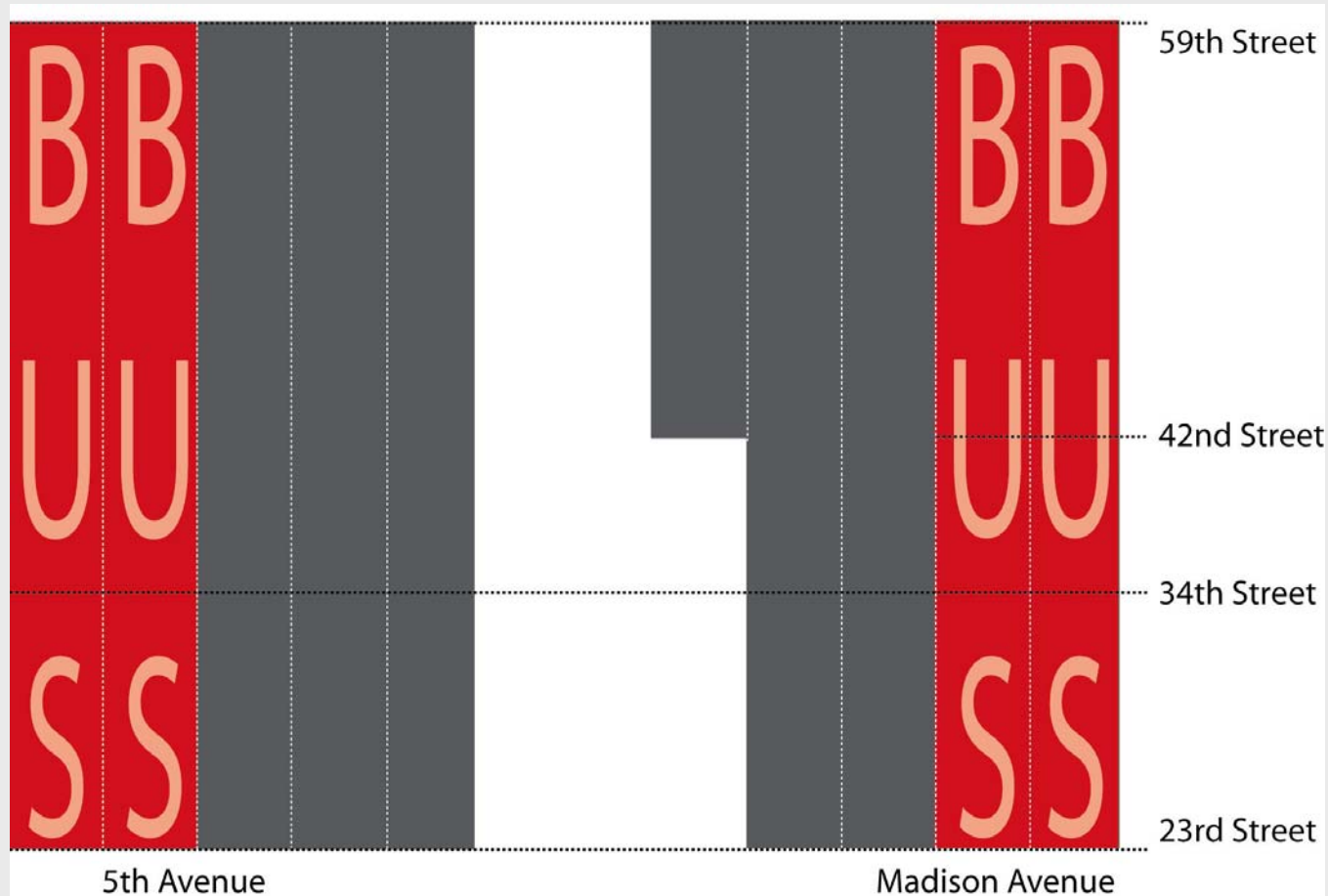
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## Existing Conditions



- 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue has a single bus lane from 86<sup>th</sup> street to 34<sup>th</sup> street
- Madison Avenue has a double bus lane from 42<sup>nd</sup> street to 59<sup>th</sup> street

# Fifth Avenue/Madison Avenue Proposed Conditions



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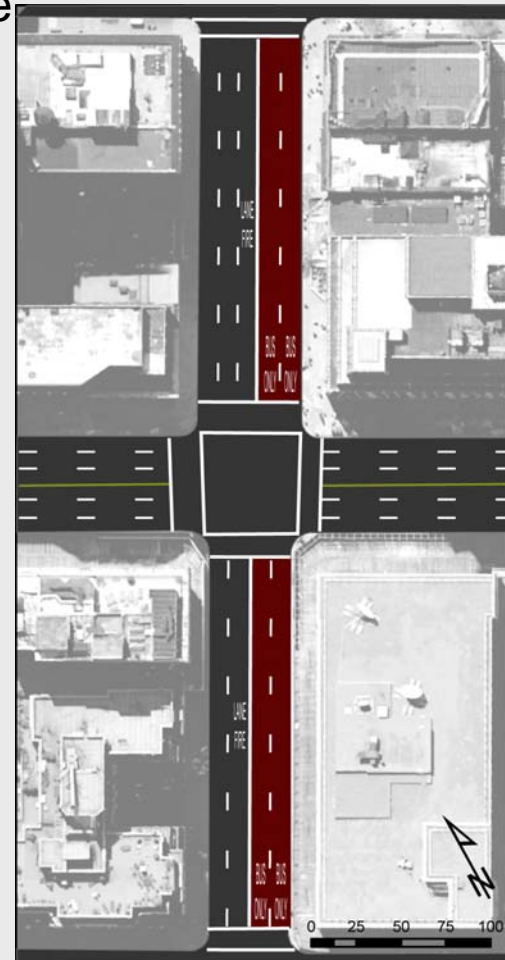
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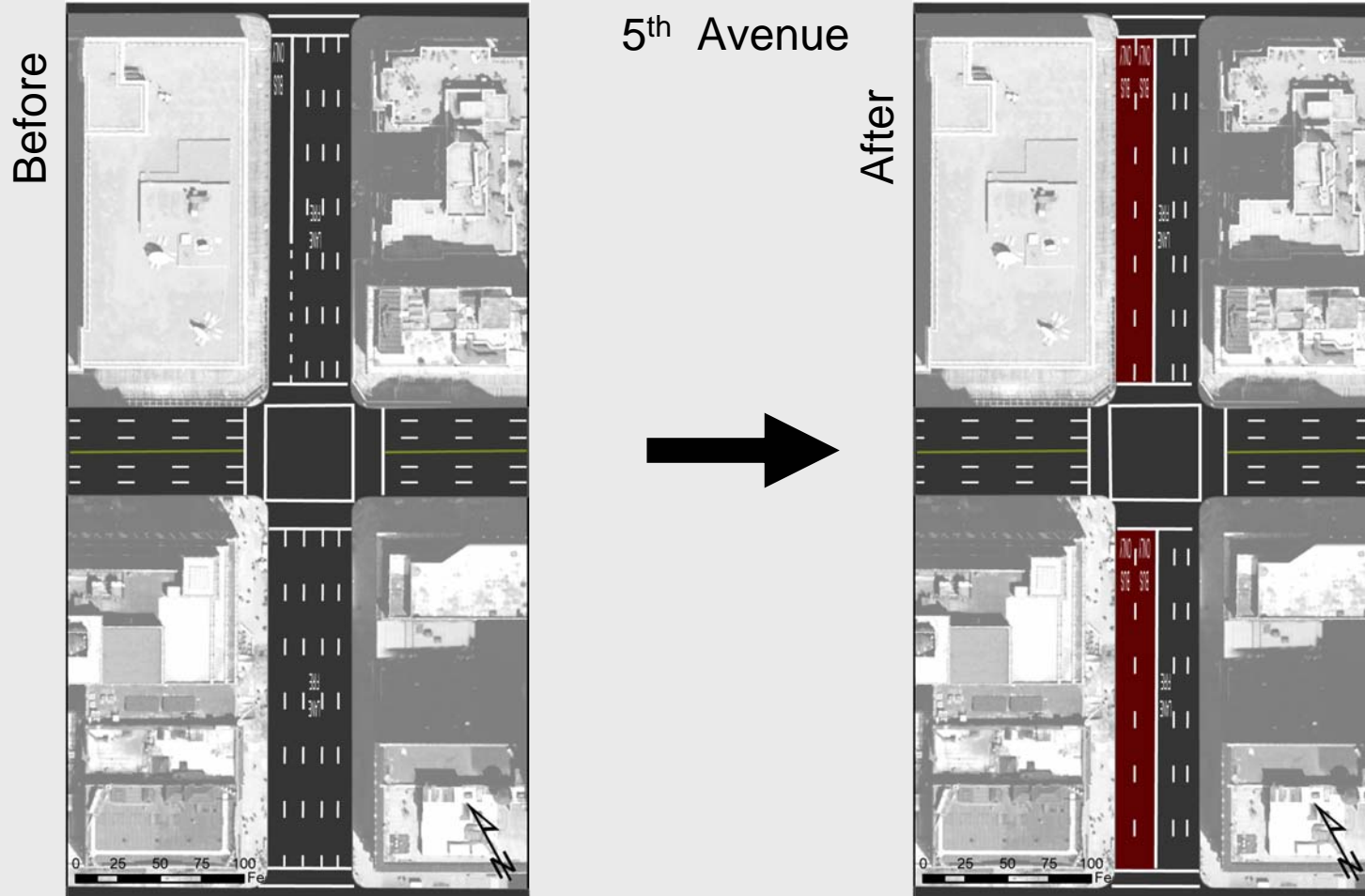


Madison Avenue

After



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## Overall Benefits:

- Corridor serves 6 local bus routes with over 100,000 combined daily riders – 2<sup>nd</sup> busiest peak bus corridor in USA (after Lincoln Tunnel)
- Also serves express bus routes from all outer boroughs
- Will improve travel times by up to 20% through the corridor
- Limited and express buses will be able to pass stopped locals without entering general traffic
- Reliability will be substantially improved

# Bus Priority Improvements

- Bus Rapid Transit Corridors
  - Operational improvements
  - Capital improvements
- Bus Hot Spots Program
  - Localized operational improvements
  - Associated pedestrian improvements
- Corridor Improvements
  - Congested corridors project
  - Other planning/traffic initiatives
- Improvements to Existing Bus Lanes
- Increased Monitoring/Evaluation

# Manhattan Implementation Timeline

- Spring 2008
  - Fordham Road-Pelham Parkway BRT  
(extends to northern Manhattan)
- End of 2008
  - Fifth Avenue/Madison Avenue Bus Priority
  - 34<sup>th</sup> Street Bus Priority Phase I
- 2009
  - First Avenue/Second Avenue BRT
- 2010
  - 34<sup>th</sup> Street Transitway