East-West Cycling Corridor - design query

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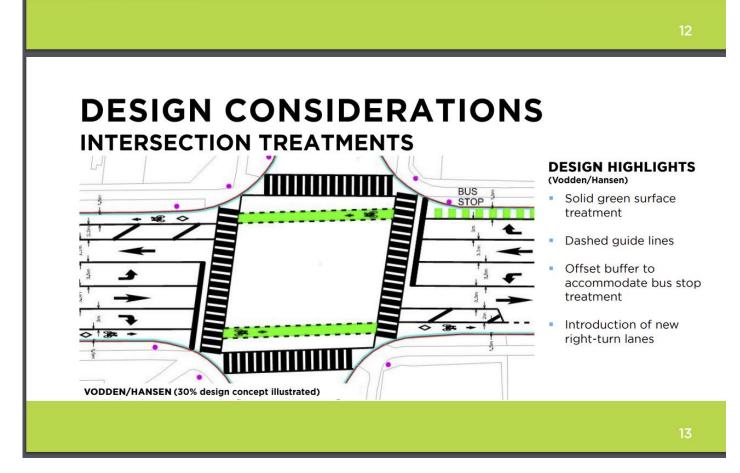
- "Big Ask" presented to Council 2019
- Signature part of ATMP 2020

EAST-WEST CORRIDOR



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Intersection Treatments (Hansen, Rutherford)



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Design Considerations

DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

REDUCE MOTOR VEHICLE SPEEDS

- Design a traffic-calmed east-west corrid
- Reduce the width of vehicle travel lanes compared to lane widths that exist today
- High vehicle speeds has been a concern for local residents

IMPLEMENT A ROAD-DIET

- Due to excess capacity on Vodden Street, Hanover Road, and a segment of Howden Boulevard, remove 1 vehicle travel lane per direction
- Add centre left-turn lane to improve access for vehicles turning into residential and commercial driveways

PROVIDE PHYSICAL SEPARATION FOR CYCLISTS

- Provide horizontal and vertical separation between bikes and motor vehicles
- Use of precast concrete curbs and flexible bollards to physically separate bike lanes from motor vehicles

ACCOMMO CLONG HOWDEN BOULEVARD

- Due to existing traffic volumes along Howden Boulevard, an in-boulevard facility is preferred to an on-road separated bike lane
- Accommodates users of all ages and abilities
- Sufficient space in boulevard to accommodate the facility

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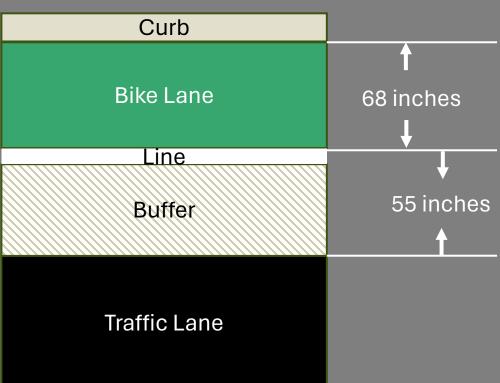
Different Treatments

Compare buffered, protected, nonbuffered in existing corridor



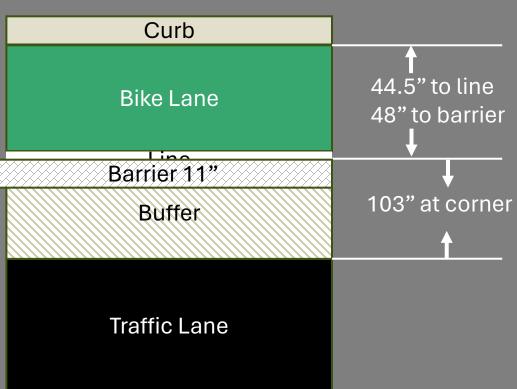
Sunny Meadow Buffered





Hanover Protected & Buffered at Central Park





Hanover Protected with centre turn lane

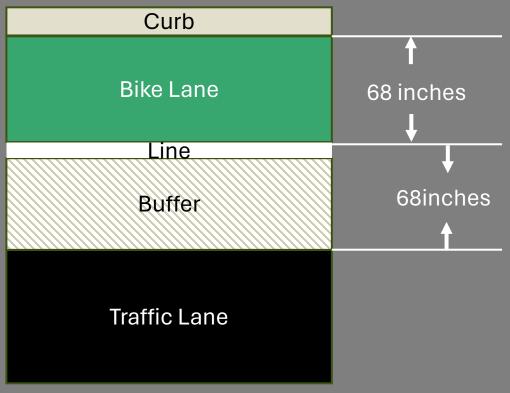




Observed complete snow-clearing of bike lane

Howden Buffered at Dixie



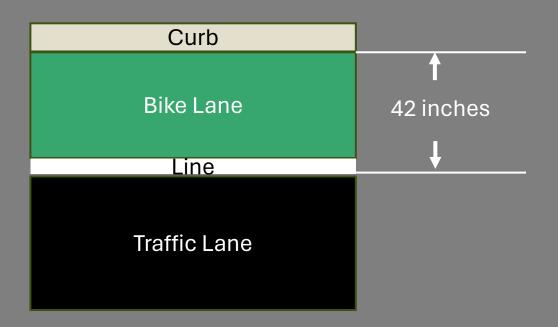


- Feels Ok
- Plenty of room to add barrier within buffer
- Room to maneuver around obstructions
- Room for bike panniers and trailers

Vodden westbound at Howden no buffer



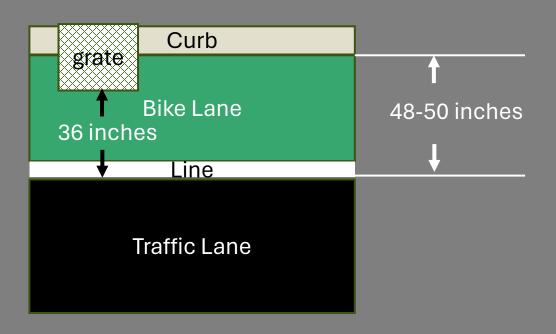




- Feels Ok
- No through lane
- Traffic Lane can be narrowed to add barrier & buffer
- Room to maneuver around obstructions
- Room for bike panniers and trailers
- Vodden eastbound narrow bike lane without barrier

Vodden at Rutherford no buffer

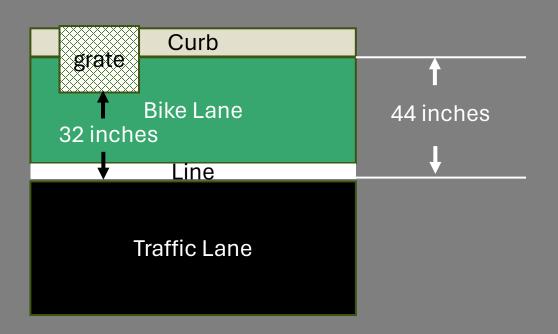




- Feels unsafe without barrier
- Room for barrier?
- Room for bike trailer, panniers?

Vodden at Hansen No Buffer

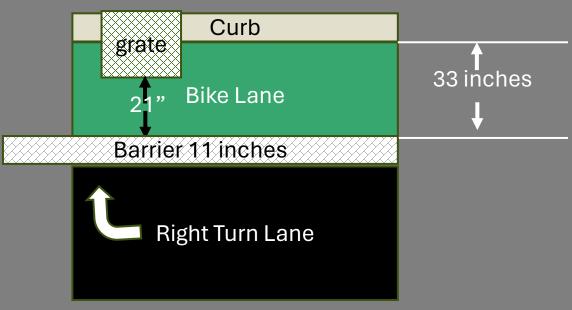




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Vodden at Hansen Protected (future)





- With barrier still would feel unsafe
- Room for bike trailer?
- Obstruction grate