

## Hunts Point Food Distribution Center

Development Framework 2008-2009



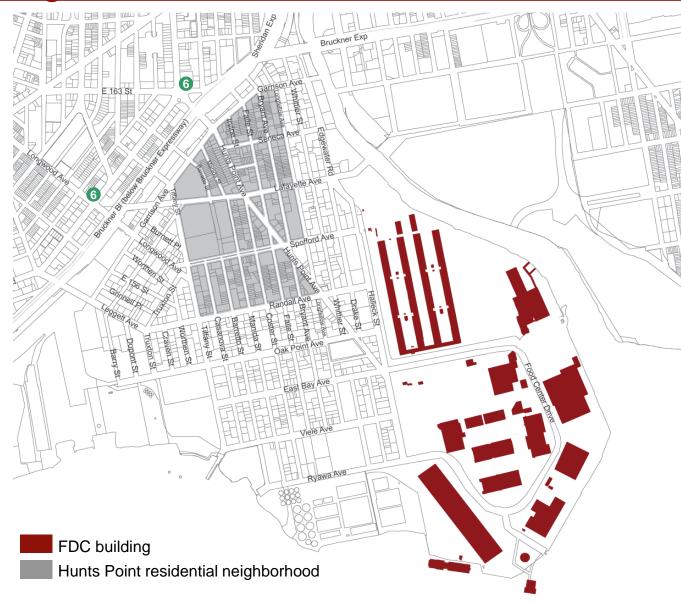
### **Outline**

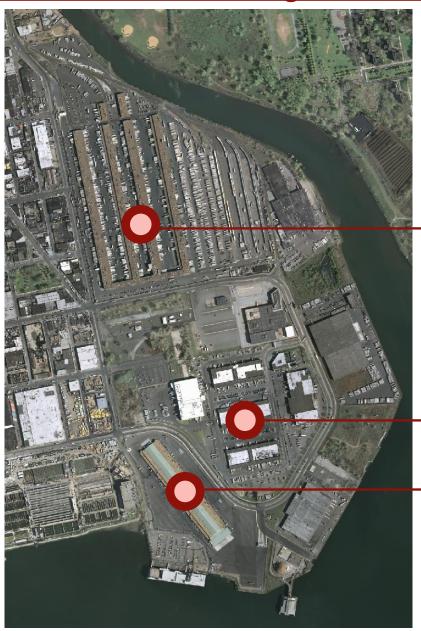
- Context and background
- Development sites
- Capital projects
- Next steps
- Alternative fueling facility RFP



### The FDC:

- Occupies 329 acres; a third of Hunts Point Peninsula
- Houses over 115 firms
- Employs approximately 10,000 people





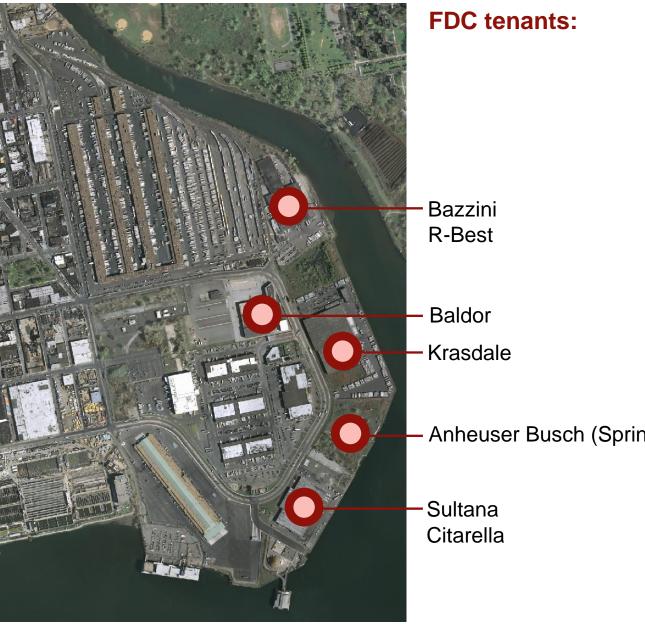
### **FDC** tenants:

New York City Terminal Produce Market Cooperative

126 acres, 47 cooperator firms

Hunts Point Cooperative Market (meat market) 37 acres, 37 cooperator firms

Fulton Fish Market at Hunts Point 33 acres, 36 cooperator firms



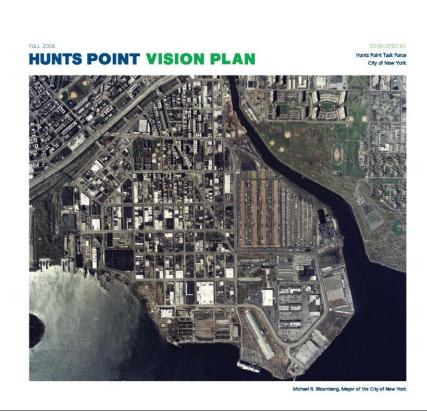
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## Context and background – 1950's



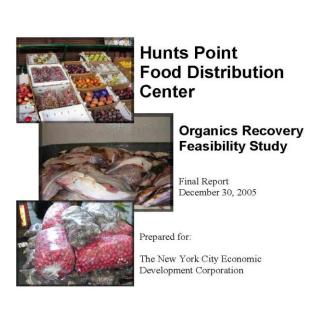
## Context and background – 1960's





### **Hunts Point Vision Plan**

- Addressed peninsula-wide issues, including:
  - Land use conflicts
  - Truck traffic
  - Waterfront access
  - Unemployment



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### **Organics Recovery Feasibility Study**

- Study determined that on-site anaerobic digestion would:
  - Be technically possible and financially selfsustaining
  - Reduce the volume of waste to be exported
  - Generate renewable energy
  - Stabilize waste management costs









## FOOD MANUFACTURING IS A FAT INDUSTRY IN NYC

While overall the manufacturing industry has declined in New York City over the past decade, one sector of the industry is very much alive and flourishing. According to a recent report commissioned by the Mayor's Office for Industrial & Manufacturing Businesses, food production is a thriving business sector in the Big Apple. With 900 local food manufacturers supporting jobs for almost 34,000 New Yorkers, the food manufacturing sector, which includes breads, meats, dairy products, beverages, ethnic specialties and more, brings in \$5 billion in sales annually. Furthermore, the food manufacturing companies are an important source of both employment and entrepreneurship for immigrants with limited education or English skills. Roughly 70% of New Yorkers employed in this industry are immigrants, with 64% having a high school degree or less education. To read the full report, entitled "More Than a Link in the Food Chain," visit nvc.gov/industrial.

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### **MOIMB Food Production study:**

- Robust manufacturing sector
  - 900 local food manufacturers
  - 33,800 jobs
  - \$5 billion annual sales
- ~70% of employees in the sector are immigrants, and 64% have a high school degree or less education
- Average annual wages are \$32,000

\*\*As of October 2007, 27 food related companies have inquired about space in the Food Distribution Center.

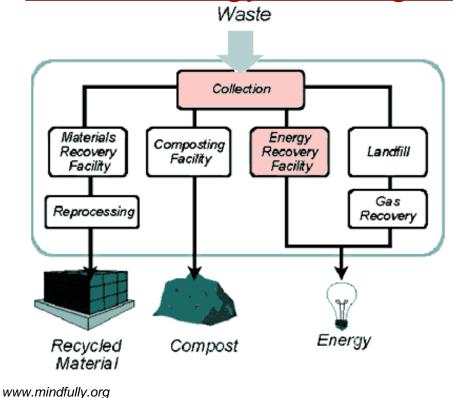


Hunts Point Terminal Produce Market

### **Hunts Point Terminal Produce Market**

- Built in 1967
- Plays a significant role in the City's economy
- Existing facilities are inadequate
- •Identify future redevelopment options

### District Energy and Organics Recovery



### District energy feasibility study

- Evaluates energy utilization patterns
- Identifies opportunities for innovation and efficiency
- Specifies land requirements and economic feasibility

Preliminary results available September 2008

### **Anaerobic digestion study**

 Evaluates feasibility of anaerobic digestion of organic waste to produce electricity while reducing the amount of waste transported to distant landfills, and transportation-related emissions.

Preliminary results available November 2008



### **Alternative freight transportation modes**

- Identify opportunities for the City to foster use of rail and barge freight transportation
- Reduce the number of trucks entering FDC



## Development opportunities

- Guiding principles
- Underutilized sites

## Development opportunities – Overall goals

Future development in the Food Distribution Center should:

- maximize new job opportunities
- minimize air quality impacts



## Development opportunities – Guiding principles



- Prioritize food processing or distribution uses
- Maximize efficient land use by combining multiple users on a site
- Foster multi-story manufacturing uses
- Explore ways to improve rail and maritime freight transportation
- Explore organic waste recovery to produce energy or biofuel
- Encourage sustainability principles consistent with PlaNYC recommendations

## Development opportunities – Community priorities



- Hire locally
- Minimize truck traffic
- Maximize use of electric or low-emissions vehicles
- Engage community throughout the development process
- Implement sustainable building practices
- Enhance retail availability to fresh food
- Expand waterfront access and recreational opportunities

## Development opportunities – Underutilized sites



~25 acres of vacant, unleased development sites

Fruit Auction Rail Shed (1.3 acres)

Site D (7.2 acres)

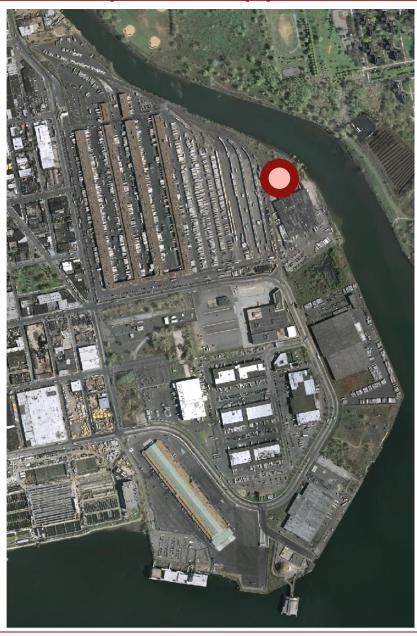
Site E-OU2 (2.9 acres)

Site E-OU3 + adjacent site (6 acres)

-Site A-OU2 (3.2 acres)

MTS Site (~3 acres)

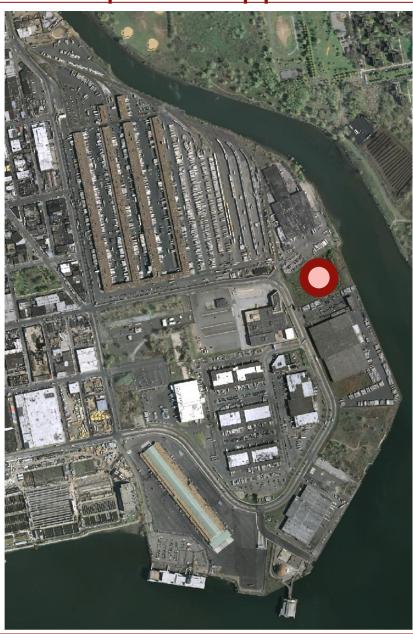
## Development opportunities - Fruit Auction Rail Shed



- Size: ~2 acres
- Development concepts:
  - Food related use
- Next steps:
  - Assess general development feasibility (i.e. Phase II, demolition, FEMA, survey)
  - Reserve space for South Bronx Greenway



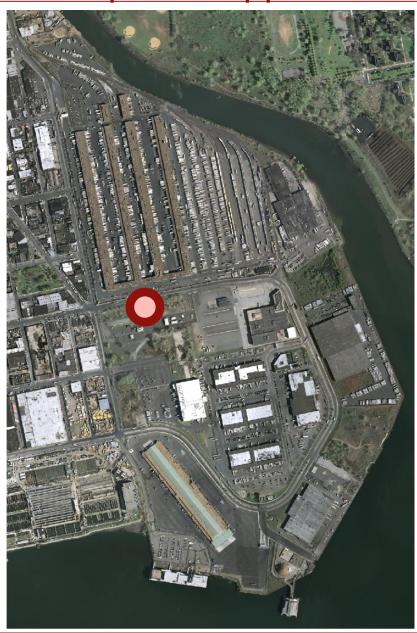
## Development opportunities – Site D



- Size: 7.2 acres
- Development concepts:
  - Food-related use
  - Organics recovery facility
- Next steps:
  - Assess general development feasibility (i.e. FEMA issues and transportation circulation)
  - Reserve space for South Bronx Greenway
  - Issue RFP for development in 2009-10



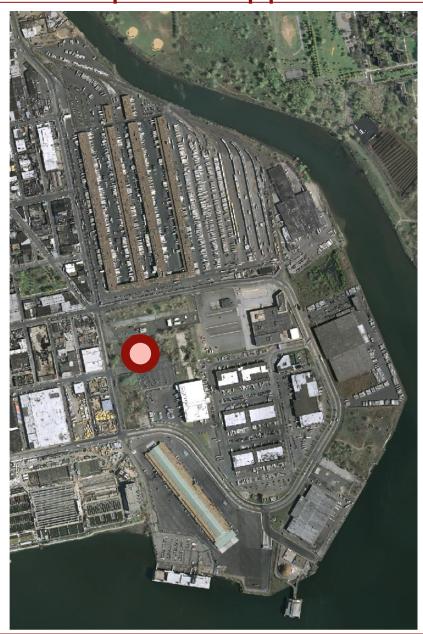
### Development opportunities – Site E-OU2



- Development parcel size: ~3.7 acres
- Development concepts:
  - Retail alternative fueling facility and ancillary retail uses to serve the Food Distribution
     Center and adjacent industrial neighborhood
- Next steps:
  - Review RFP submissions and designate developer by fall 2008



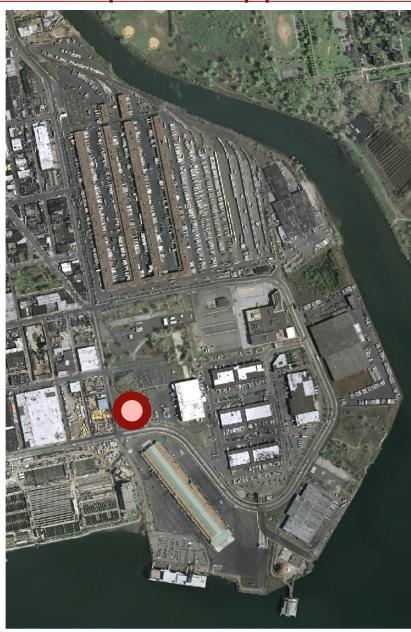
## Development opportunities – Site E-OU3



- Development parcel size: ~2.5 6.5 acres
- Development concepts:
  - Food-related use
- Next steps:
  - Issue RFP for food related use in 2009-10



### Development opportunities – Site A-OU2



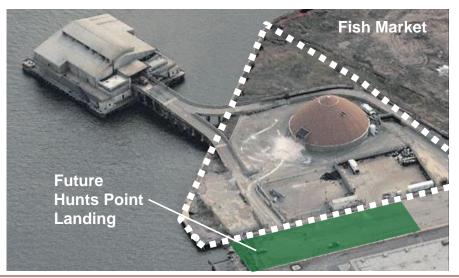
- Size: 3.2 acres
- Development concepts:
  - Food-related use
- Next steps:
  - Address substantial remediation costs
  - Issue RFP for food-related use if remediation strategy is identified



## Development opportunities – MTS Site



- Size: ~3.5 acres
- Development concepts:
  - Recreational use (i.e. park, marina)
  - "South Street Seaport" use
  - Food-related use
  - Organics recovery facility
  - Freight ferry terminal
- Next steps:
  - Assess general development feasibility (incl. salt pile relocation options, FEMA)
  - Engage public on redevelopment options



## Capital improvements

- Signs
- South Bronx Greenway
- Infrastructure projects to 2010

## Capital improvements – signs

### **Truck route signs**

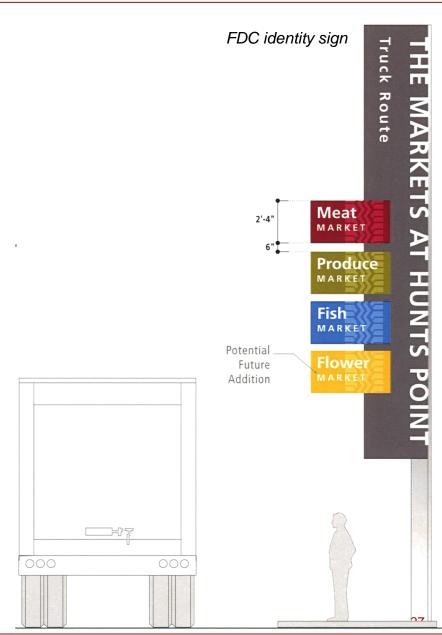
Cost: \$350,000

Timing: fall 2008 installation

### **Food Distribution Center identity signs**

Cost: \$1.3M

Timing: fall 2008 installation



## Capital improvements – South Bronx Greenway

Existing Produce Market fence

### **Produce Market Fence**

Cost: \$2.5M

Timing: begin construction fall 2008



Proposed new Produce Market fence

## Capital improvements – South Bronx Greenway



### **Hunts Point Landing**

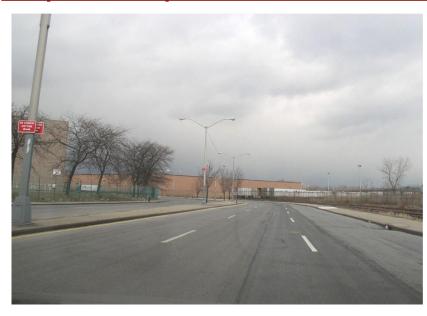
Cost: \$7M

Timing: begin construction spring 2009



Hunts Point Landing design concept

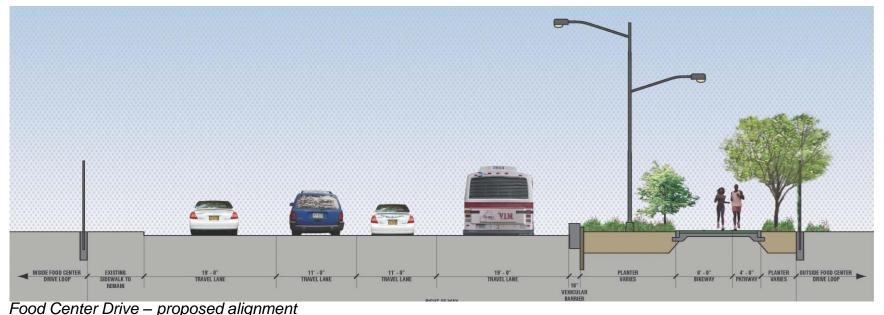
### Capital improvements – South Bronx Greenway



### **Food Center Drive reconstruction**

- Cost: \$14M
- Timing: ULURP certification August 2008; begin construction summer 2009

Food Center Drive – existing alignment



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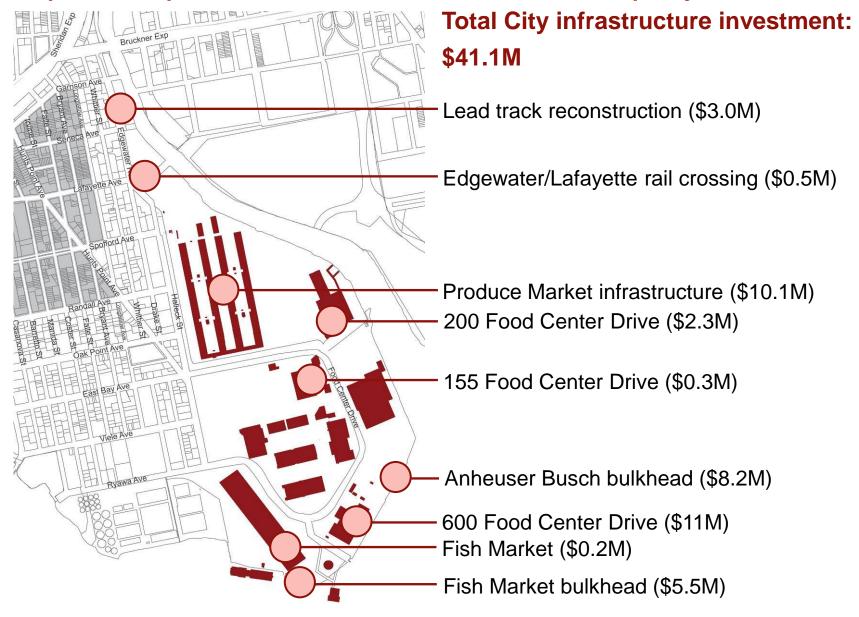
### Additional actions – property management



### **Hunts Point Improvement Fund**

- Maintenance of selected capital improvements:
  - Food Center Drive
  - Hunts Point Landing
  - Food Distribution Center signs
- \$0.25/built sf for new and renewal leases
- 30-foot Greenway easement

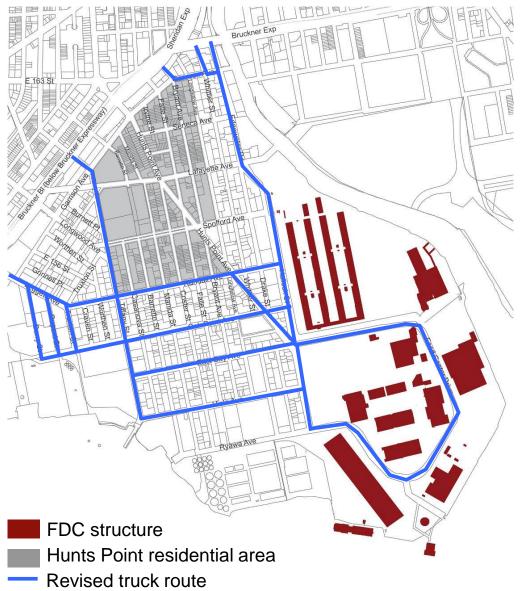
## Capital improvements – infrastructure projects to 2010



## Complementary projects

- NYCDOT Truck route revisions and proposed truck route signs
- NYSDOT Bruckner/Sheridan reconstruction
- City Planning Hunts Point Special District rezoning

## Complementary projects – NYCDOT



### Truck route revisions

 Re-route truck traffic away from the residential core

### Proposed truck route signs

Standardized wayfinding

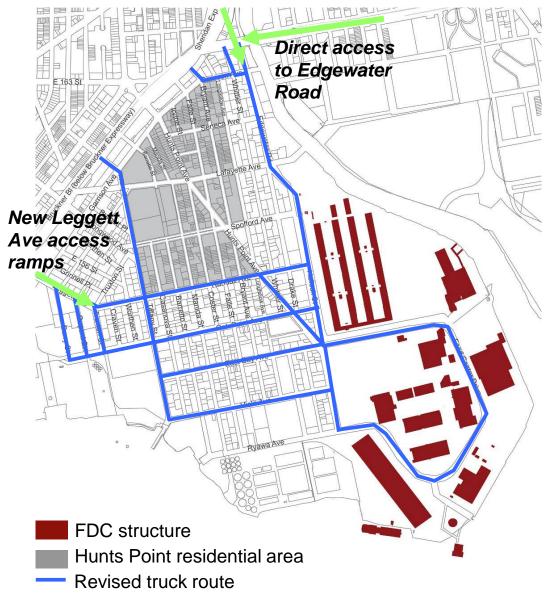


Existing "negative" truck sign



Proposed new "positive" truck route sign

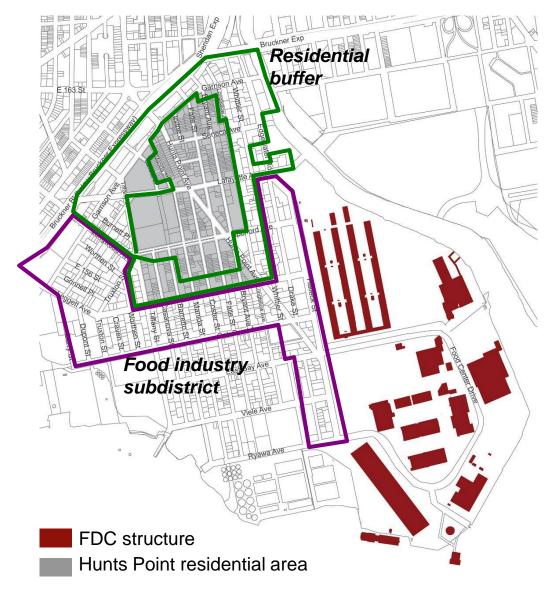
## Complementary projects – NYSDOT



### Bruckner/Sheridan reconstruction

- Improve safety and traffic flow at the Bruckner Expressway (I-278) at its interchange with the Sheridan Expressway (I-895)
- Improve access in and out of Hunts Points from the Expressway

## Complementary projects - City Planning



### **Hunts Point Special District rezoning**

- Creates "buffer" between residential and manufacturing areas
- Encourages development of foodrelated businesses
- Prohibit new waste-related uses, such as waste-transfer stations

## Next steps

- Feasibility studies
- Outreach and development sequence

## Next steps – feasibility studies

- Site-specific studies
  - Fruit Auction Rail Shed site
    - FEMA/site condition analysis
  - Site D
    - FEMA/site condition analysis
  - MTS site:
    - Phase II
    - Development feasibility
    - FEMA/Site and bulkhead conditions
- Additional Phase II assessments required for untested sites

### Next steps – outreach and development sequence

- 1. Key points for outreach
  - Present Food Distribution Center development framework
  - Update prior to releasing RFPs for any site
  - Update prior to RFP selection
- 2. Advance development on sites
  - Alternative fueling facility
  - Fruit Auction Rail Shed site
  - Site D
  - Halleck Street sites (E-OU3/A-OU2)



# Alternative Fueling Facility RFP

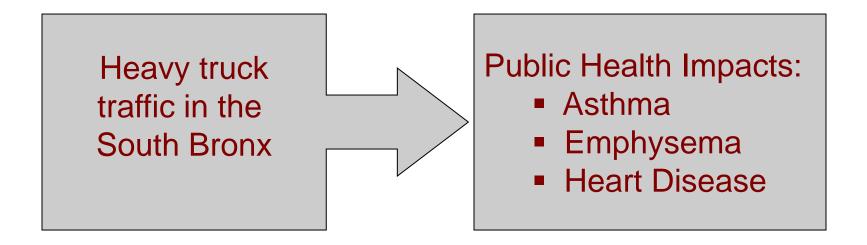
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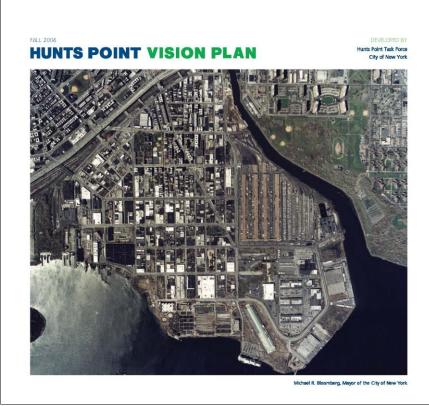


### **Outline**

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- Goals
- Development components
- RFP timeline

- Strong link between localized vehicular air pollution and adverse public health impacts
- Asthma rates in the South Bronx are among the highest in the country

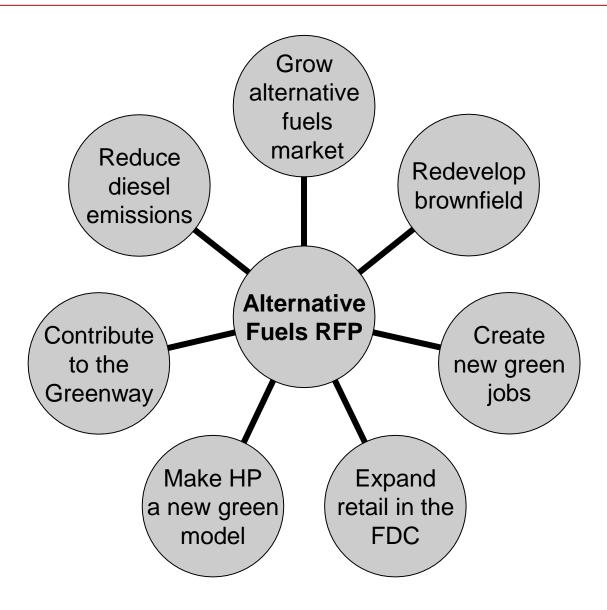




### **Hunts Point Vision Plan**

- Identified diesel truck emissions as a problem
- Recommended the development of a service station with clean fuel technologies

### Goals



### Development components

### **Alternative Fueling Facility**

### **Required Components**

- Sustainable alternative fuel
- Specific amount of fuel available
- Associated retail sales

### **Suggested Components**

- Mix of fuels
- Local or regional production
- Competitively priced



### **Suggested Additional Components**

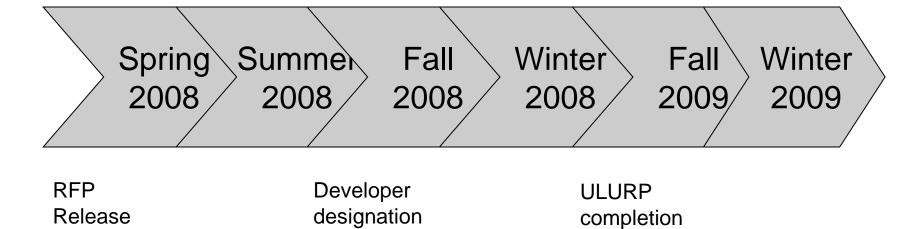
### **Complementary Uses**

- Truck maintenance facility for the conversion of engines
- Truckstop electrification (TSE) facility
- Showroom for trucks that use sustainable alternative fuels
- Organics recovery facility for either the production of biofuel or electricity

### **Timeline**

Responses

due



**ULURP** 

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Development

begins