

Manhattan Greenway

Community Board 6 | Project Update

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Agenda

- East Midtown Waterfront Esplanade Overview
- Current Manhattan Greenway Project
- Next Steps



53rd Street Node looking north

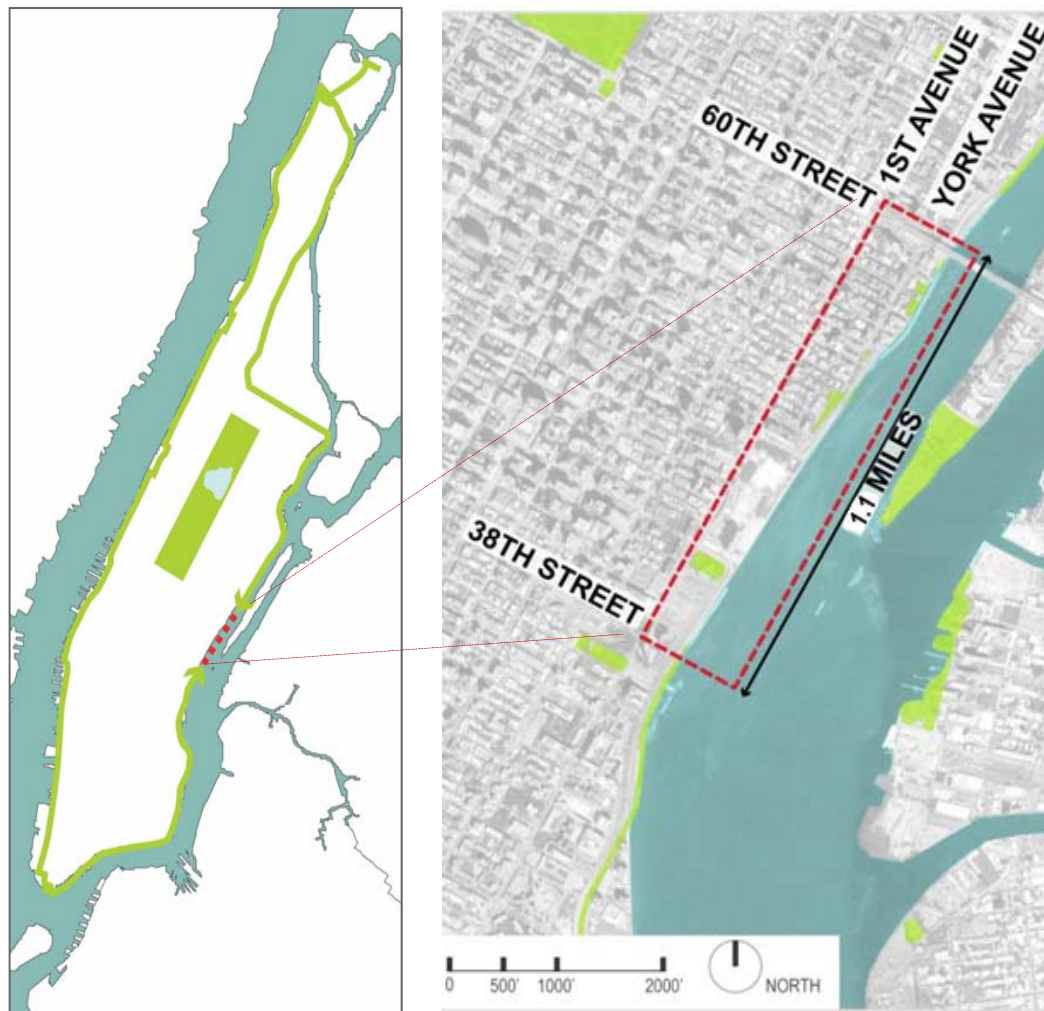


ODR and UN esplanades from Sutton Place looking south

East Midtown Waterfront Esplanade Overview

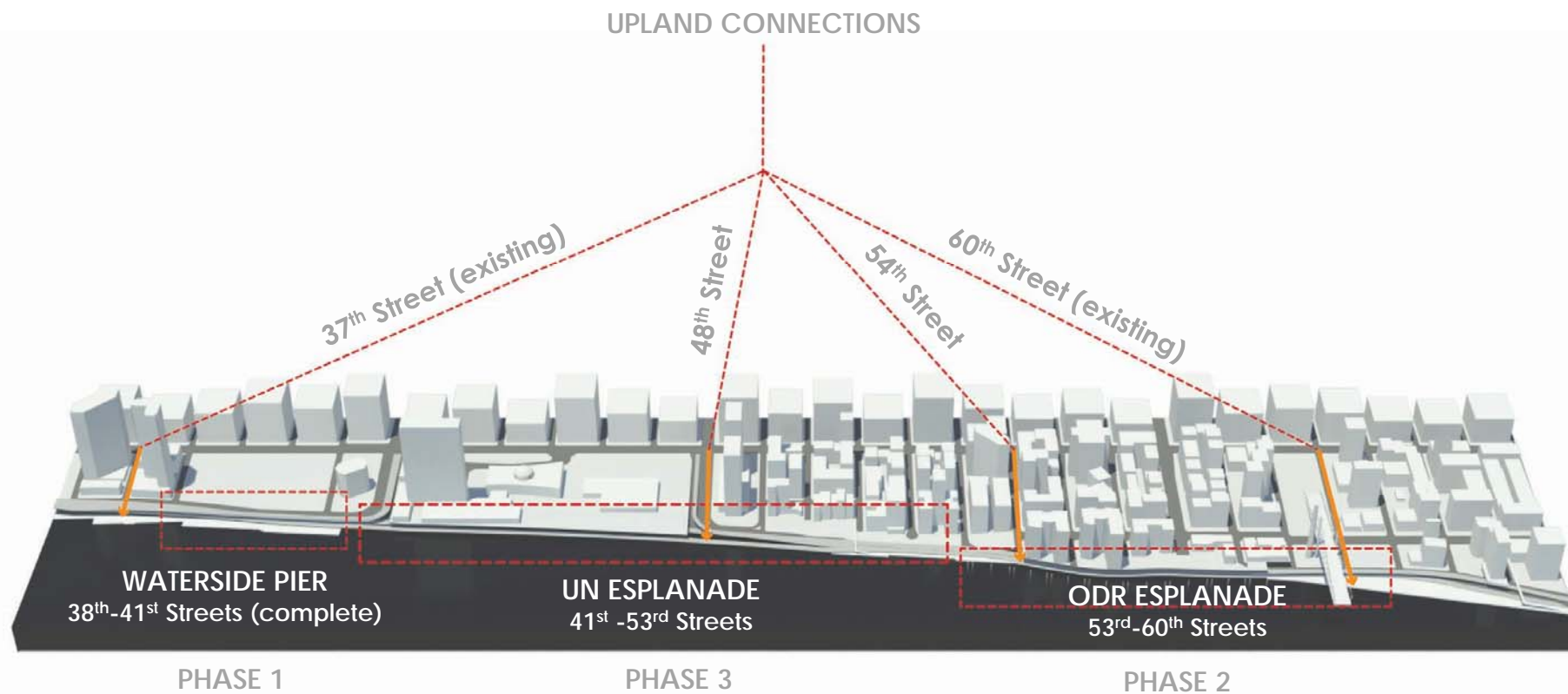
The EMWE project aims to close a 1.1-mile gap in the Manhattan Greenway

- Project purpose:
 - Construct a continuous esplanade from East 38th – East 60th Street along the East River
 - Provide critical transportation connection
 - Create new open space to alleviate chronic shortage in the immediate area



East Midtown Waterfront Esplanade Overview

The EMWE project included three sections, to be completed in phases, with new upland connections



East Midtown Waterfront Esplanade Milestones

The City has completed Asser Levy Park, Waterside Pier, and obtained permits for the UN and ODR Esplanades

- City worked with Community Working Group to develop conceptual designs for Waterside Pier, ODR & UN Esplanades (2012-2013)
- Permit applications submitted to DEC, Army Corps, and Coast Guard (2013)
- Asser Levy Place mapped as parkland and activated for recreational use (2014)
- Environmental review complete (2015)
- Waterside Pier reconstructed and opened to the public (2016)
- DEC and USCG permits obtained for UN & ODR Esplanades (2016)
 - Additional permits would be needed for final design



Asser Levy Park



Waterside Pier

Current Project and Next Steps

In April 2017, the City committed \$100M to close the gap between E 53rd and 61st Streets

- Next Steps
 - Summer 2017 release of RFP for design
 - Design team on board end of 2017
 - Ongoing community updates



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