

GROUP # - Angie

Let's talk about Union Street today

What is working well?

Traffic Improvements done so far have helped slow traffic.

running along Union is pleasant. Lots of space on sidewalks able to easily cross.

new business with great street spaces.

Love the outdoor dining.

back in angle parking works well for bikes.

Better Block was a huge success! Wednesday's have been having some outdoor dining and activities.

What is NOT working well?

Back in angle parking is difficult and has not added much capacity.

5th/6th street needs a crosswalk (Between Flatts and Mrs Robino's)

Better lighting for safety, at intersections and through the corridor.

Lancaster intersection, lots of cars that do not yield to peds. Issues with vehicles turning on red. Feels like people are just rushing through.

trees for shade.

Not comfortable walking home at night from Union Street. Need better lighting and lines of sight.

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bike lane isn't working or attractive.

one-way streets are confusing, need to better identify direction with better signage.

back in angle parking makes pulling out of Dead President's difficult.

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Bike lanes should be off the road and away from traffic

A place to sit and relax with a cup of coffee.

underground utilities.

Pedestrian safety at Pennsylvania Avenue. Crossing from Pennsylvania Avenue to Union still feels uncomfortable.

bus shelters more comfortable and inviting for users.

more planters and beautification. Think about planters on lights!

Rain gardens.

walkability! Wide unbroken sidewalks.

Need more placemaking, branding, community identify!

public street art space more murals, public art, use it to connect Union to The Flatts, Woodlawn Library, West End Neighborhood House- use art and other devices to highlight and connect the assets in this corridor

Need short terms pick up and drop off spaces. Need to make it convenient for customers.

Space for larger deliveries that do not obstruct street.

two-way bike lane.

Trees that stay alive! for cooling, aesthetics, connecting into Bancroft Parkway- build on the Bancroft legacy

GROUP #2 - Nancy

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What is working well?

Angled parking helps to increase the number of spaces

Prefer a protected bike lane

Bike lane is used

Bike user feels that the bike stress level is high due to speeds

2 one way lanes helps keep traffic moving

Safer with one way traffic for kids playing outdoors

What is NOT working well?

Sidewalks not consistent, not level, esp between brick and conc.

Sidewalk between Lancaster and Sycamore should be wider

Lighting not consistent, needs improvement at intersections

Capriottis needs a loading zone for pickup orders

Sinkhole at 8th and Union at the intersection in far right lane

Utility poles are not aesthetically pleasing

Bus Stop cannot get out of lane to curb near 5th Street consider in lane bus stop?

Bike lane is not safe

All beautification improvements are needed

More parking near restaurants

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Safer 2-way bike lanes away from traffic

Wednesday when dining is expanded into the street is nice, expand these opportunities. Flex space will work with daytime loading and evening dining

Improved aesthetics - Community garden near library or public gathering spaces Wider sidewalks

Improve connections - use Union Street as a spine with connections to communities

4th to Lancaster seems to be a black hole and needs to be inviting for businesses to come

Better marking on Lancaster also from 2nd onto Union. Concern of safety on the automotive and pizza place 2nd to Lancaster needs traffic calming Consider adjustments on traffic signal timing

GROUP #3 - Stacey

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What is working well?	What is NOT working well?
<p>two lanes of traffic is key - safer for pedestrians and speeding</p> <p>planters, aesthetics</p> <p>planters professionally maintained look good. south of 9th not as maintained. landscaping/groundcover might be better and easier to maintain</p> <p>new building have good landscape</p>	<p>bridge needs to be a focus. its an exit corridor but there are thriving restaurants just south</p> <p>bike lane doesn't make sense where people are backing into spot. having seen a lot of bikes</p> <p>separated bike lanes (Like Amsterdam) would be better</p> <p>need to address Union/Pennsylvania</p> <p>nowhere to park when they go to the restaurants, they have to park a block or two away. garage between 4th/Penn would help</p> <p>back in parking is dangerous</p> <p>route 6 provides service but parking makes use of bus stops difficult</p> <p>parallel parking is ok but diagonal parking is hard to back out of</p> <p>how are we going to accommodate aging population?</p>

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rain garden	more tables, people sitting out, more pedestrian-friendly	pedestrian crossing in UPG - Chestnut St - important for residents to get to the businesses	city is not safe enough to bike yet. 2-way bike lane
widening the underpasses of the rail	smaller vehicles	sidewalk dining	improve Bancroft Pkwy for bikes then connect to Union
2 bus stops that could use crosswalks and/or signals at 6th and sycamore - Sycamore is also a school bus stop	ambassador like they have on Market St	central parking so you can easily walk to other parts of the street	

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What is working well?

I like Union St b/c it's a natural city street. it has all kinds of business and something is going on all the time. The diversity is great. A marvelous mix and we should encourage it.

Flats done well - more parking, better housing, aesthetically pleasing. curbs done well, well thought out project

Trees are great

What is NOT working well?

Cars speeding is irksome

Talk to businesses (didn't last time, some resentment built up). we need the businesses to create vibrancy

Residential streets can feel like an evacuation every day. it's like speed racer. and discourages people from Union Park gardens from getting to the other side. Something should be done to dissuade people from speeding

Speeding: Ever since they made it only 2 lanes, it takes a very long time to go from Penn to 4th Street. People aren't moving, and they get to Lancaster and see open space, then they speed because they were in traffic.

Back in parking is not well-received (feedback from houseguests). businesses don't like back in parking or bike lane

Compare crash data from 3 lanes to now

more of a union between restaurants and residential (5th to Lancaster is no mans land)

We need to decide where we're going. Traffic is fast there, and do we want to have it slowed down? do we want cars thru or people thru? can't have both.

Does taking away back in parking create fewer spaces? what is the solution there?

don't see rationale between putting bike lane next to parked cars? put on other side of street. you take your life in your hands on such a wide street. it isn't good for businesses to have cars speed thru

No plants in the planters

historically there has been a problem with flooding near Pennsylvania Avenue. what's being done?

New traffic signal at Pennsylvania is confusing. no information out there. dangerous. could use some dotted lines to guide drivers (like Lancaster and Adams st)

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like the idea of putting bike path in between, closer to sidewalk, would protect cyclists from speeding cars

Parking garage to get cars off union st

more communal spaces -utilizing open spaces for more than parking lots. space for people to congregate (buskers, temporary events).

Because it has been part of little italy. lot of history. maybe signage to entice people to walk along more parts (walking tour)

More trees

issues with angle parking and bike conflicts

Maybe bike path is mixed use until more cyclists use it (protected bike lane)

Outdoor dining, food delivery/trucks, UPS, etc -- maybe certain delivery only parking in concentrations of these businesses. maybe at night is something else. mixed use

want to make people want to stay in Wilmington, especially with 95 under construction. Union is a mass exodus. need people to stay. not use as evac. route

In Europe, there are streets for bus, bike, and people (no car traffic). could this work here. maybe certain sections? NYC: protected bike lanes, able to bike with kids and feel safe

is there an opportunity for families to buy a commemorative brick, bench, or donating for a family tree? connects people to place, memorialize their families. some people have lived here generations. Connect present to past.

Parking - people need to be able to park. maybe utilizing open areas to be outdoor parking lots open to the public

lots of support for this one
planters were supposed to beautify, but nobody took responsibility