

Park Slope Civic Council Liveable Streets Committee

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ENHANCING THE FOURTH AVENUE SUBWAY STATION

CULVER LINE, NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT

The Park Slope Civic Council proposes that MTA New York City Transit open an entrance to the 4th Avenue station on the Culver Line (F train) on the east side of 4th Avenue between 9th and 10th Streets. This would reopen a now-closed entrance and utilize space that was included for this purpose in the original design of the 4th Avenue station. Stairways exist to the 4th Avenue station platforms and the Manhattan-bound platform of the 9th Street Station (R train) on the 4th Avenue Line.

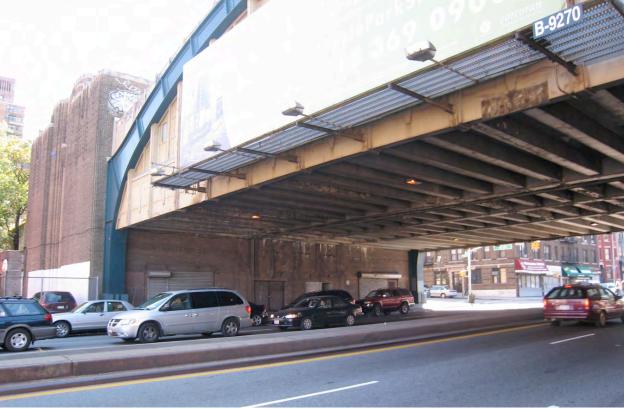
This request also includes the following elements:

- Creation of retail space underneath the viaduct on the east side of 4th Avenue, to provide rental income to the MTA and increase foot traffic;
- Improved lighting and security underneath the Culver Viaduct and in the passageways between the 4th Avenue and 9th Street Stations; and
- Artistic treatment of the walls underneath the Culver Viaduct as part of the MTA's Arts for Transit program, in partnership with the community.

Benefits of this proposal:

- Pedestrian safety would be increased by reducing the number of pedestrians crossing 4th Avenue to and from the subway station, thus reducing the conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles at this busy intersection.
 - This is a natural adjunct to the Downtown Brooklyn Traffic Calming Project, which includes work up to this intersection.
- The safety of people negotiating the 4th Avenue 9th Street station complex would be improved.
- Introducing business to the station will help make 4th Avenue a safer and more attractive urban streetscape.

EXISTING CONDITION: 4TH AVENUE, TOWARD EAST SIDE



EAST SIDE OF 4^{TH} AVENUE, WITH STREET-LEVEL ENHANCEMENTS



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