

Redesign: Queen Anne Rd, Teaneck, NJ

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Current Street Condition



Modified: With Parking-Protected Bike Lane



A retail strip near my high school has abnormally wide roads (70 feet!). I redesigned the road to include parking-protected bike lanes. Even with these additions, the road is plenty wide for drivers (and toying with Streetmix revealed even more space, my poor collage skills aside).

However, the diagram with only the lanes feels empty and devoid of life; adding people, cars, even a bike rack makes the space feel more used, a better attraction. Adding more cars would make this strip feel even busier (a feeling that corresponds better to reality than the picture implies), but that becomes more tricky with perspectives and one photo obscuring another.

The “clean” design collage seems useful to depict the “pure” state of the road, so people can understand what it *does*. But the activated photo gives people a sense of how the street *feels*. Each is useful in its relevant discussion context.

A more ambitious street redesign would add wider sidewalks and more trees.

Activated Space: With Pedestrians, Cyclists, and Motorists

