# Safer Space for Pedestrians in DC

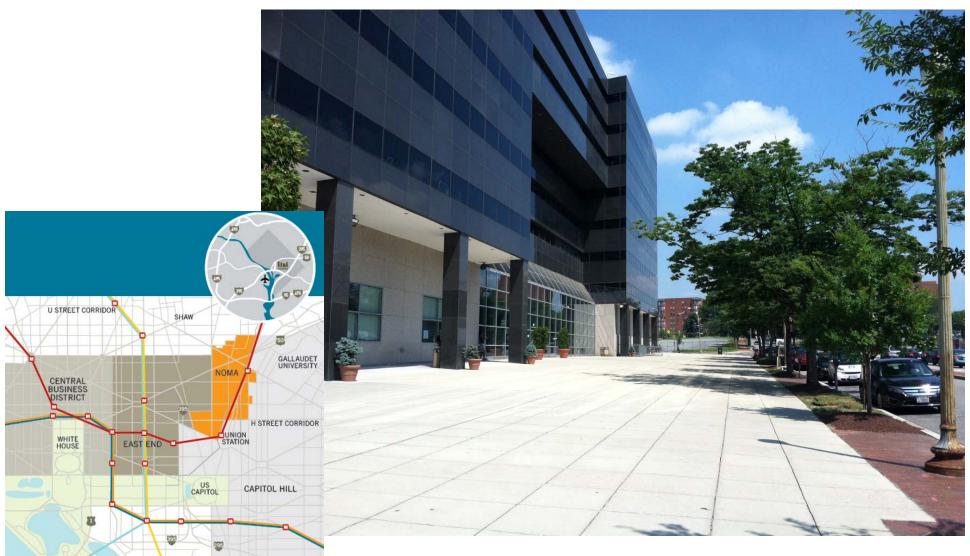
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#### **DDOT Strategy**



- Use street reconstruction and development projects as opportunities for better pedestrian places.
- Shift away from design features that encourage higher speed vehicle movements.
- Vision Zero initiative focuses on proactive strategies to accommodate all users.
- And always remember the fundamentals:
  - "Cars are happiest when there are no other cars around. People are happiest when there are other people around."
    - Dan Burden

#### When is a wide sidewalk is too wide?



NoMa District - (North of Mass Ave.)

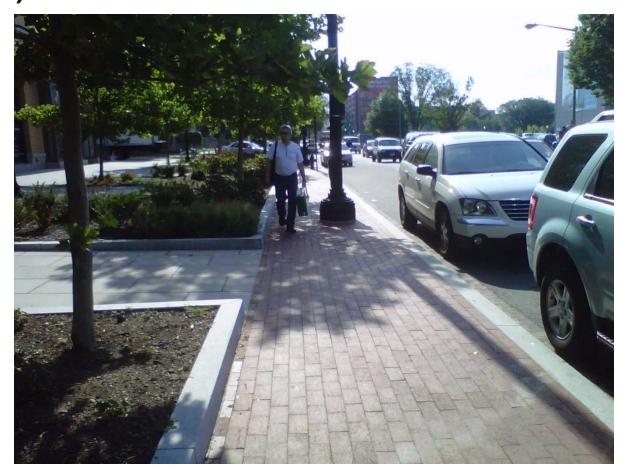
#### NoMa District

• 1<sup>st</sup> Street, NE



- Mixed uses
- LID features
- "Double" sidewalks
- K Street, NW

### NoMa Lessons Learned – 5<sup>th</sup> and K Streets, NW



- "Primary" sidewalk not so primary after light poles went in
- Add two feet of sidewalk space for this design in future

#### NoMa Metro Plaza



• Before:

2<sup>nd</sup> and N
 Streets, NE

#### NoMa Metro - Constitution Square



• After:



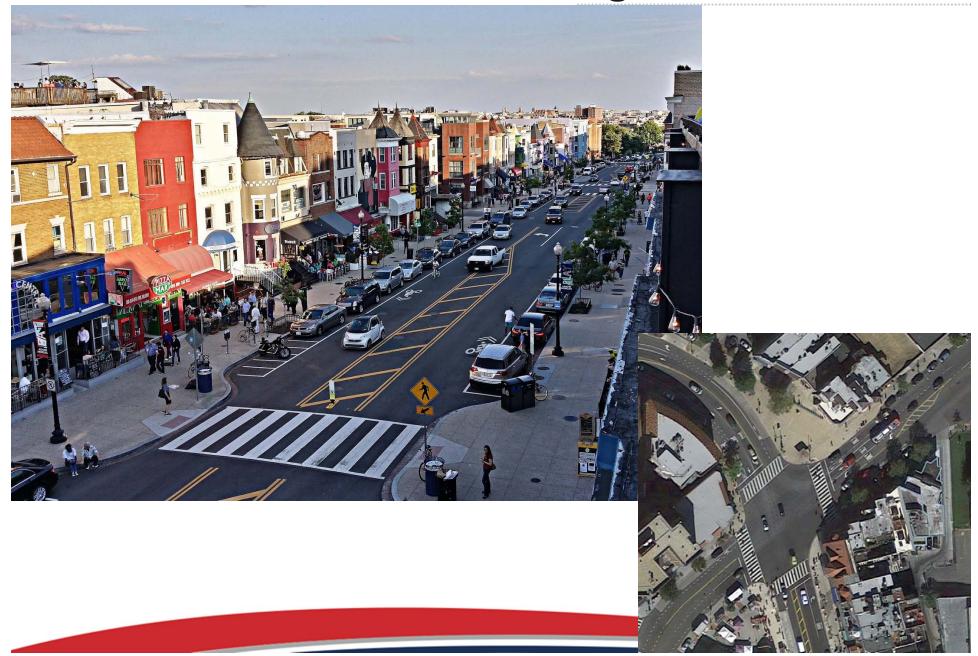
#### 18th Street, NW Adams Morgan, Before







18th Street, NW Adams Morgan, After



## Columbia Heights

- Large scale neighborhood revitalization
- Public plaza and widened sidewalks and streetscape

• Reduced vehicle capacity







# Columbia Heights





#### City Center, DC



- Before:
- Old Convention Center, 1982-2004

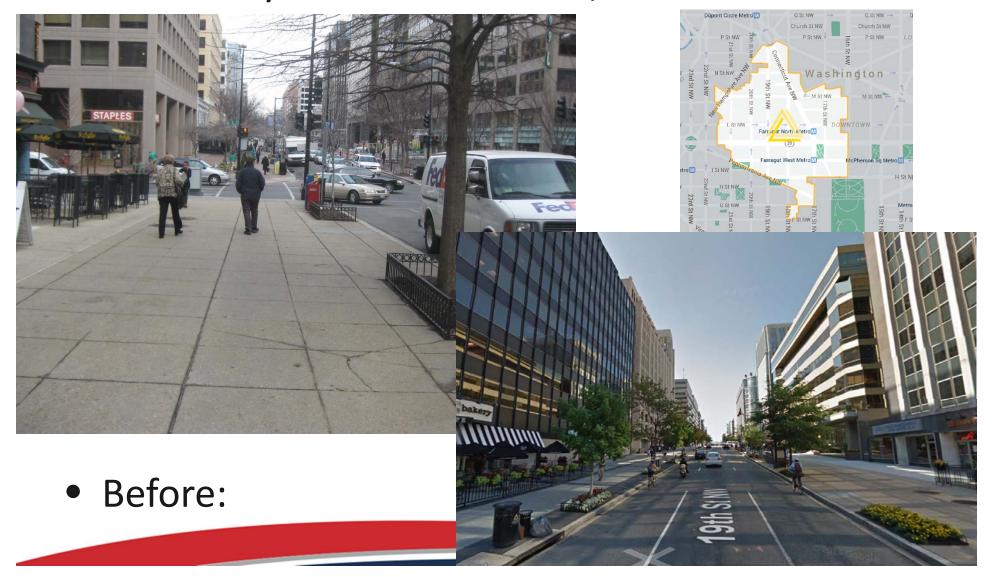
- Before:
- A parking lot, 2004-2011

City Center, DC, 2013



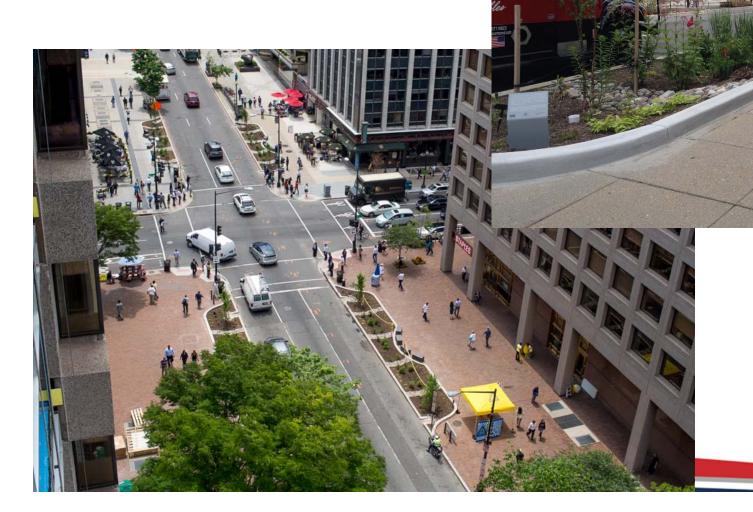
#### 19th & L Sts, NW, Golden Triangle BID

Unusually wide 110 ft. ROW, Concrete sea



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• Rain Garden Treatment



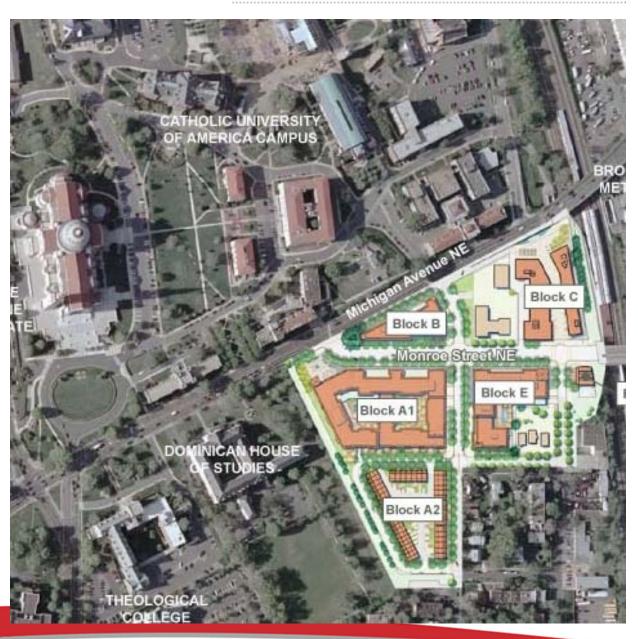
• After:

#### Monroe Street Market, Arts Walk,

#### Brookland, NE

 Large Catholic University of America development project

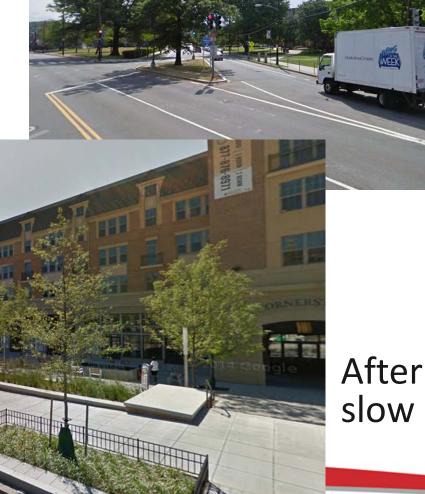




Monroe Street Market, Arts Walk,

Brookland, NE

 Before: Fast right turn slip lane.



After: Plaza and slow right turns.

Monroe Street Market, Arts Walk, Brookland, NE After

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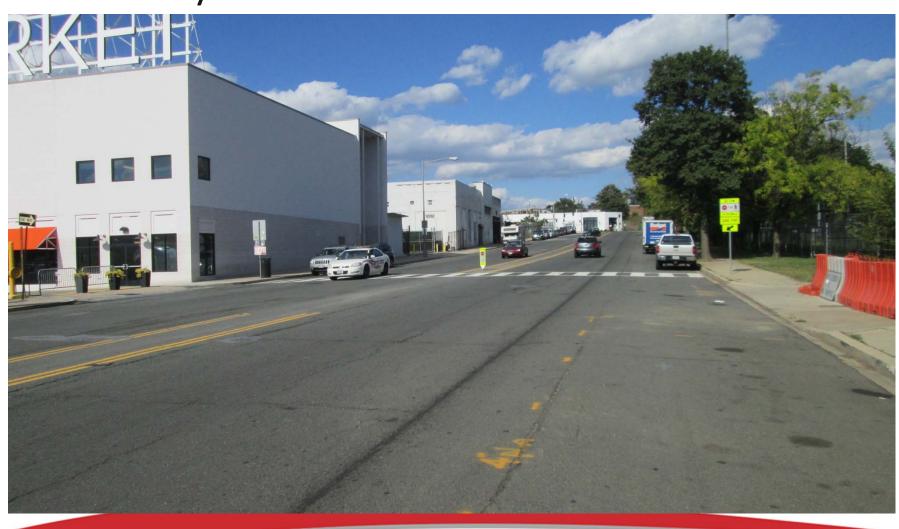
• After:

Brookland Spring Celebration
 Arts Festival April 26



#### **Tactical Urbanism**

• 6<sup>th</sup> Street, NE - Union Market-Gallaudet University. Before:

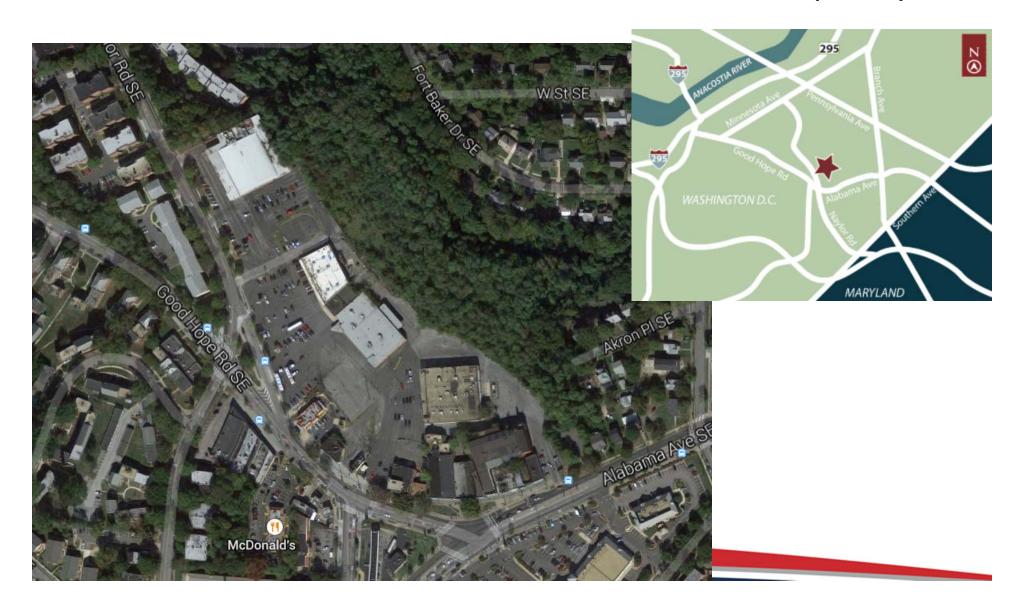


#### **Tactical Urbanism**



#### **Skyland Town Center**

• East of the River – Southeast DC. Before (now):



#### Skyland Town Center

 Future vision, mixeduse center

Construction soon



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