# Strategies for Managing Freight in Urban Environments

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# The rest of urban freight...

- Truckload and Less-thantruckload deliveries
  - Retail stores
  - Restaurants
  - Institutions
  - Manufacturing
  - Waste Removal

The urban freight landscape is a diverse group of independent industries and competitors supplying the goods that make livable communities possible.



## What drives delivery decisions

Inventory procedures **Transaction types Driver service restrictions** Congestion/construction delay - \$23 billion in congestion costs

# Cheese Steak Supply-chain

|                                | Bread/Hoagie Rolls     | RibeyeSteak (beef)                   | Yellow Spanish<br>Onions                  | Cheese "Sauce"        |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Production<br>Location         | Delaware Valley        | Midwest U.S. or<br>International     | New York, Northwest<br>and Southwest U.S. | Midwest U.S.          |
| Packaging Format               | 20 fresh rolls per box | 40 to 80 lb. frozen rolls<br>per box | 25 lbs. fresh, whole onions per box       | Six 6.5 lb. bags/case |
| Final Mode of Delivery         | Step van               | Refrigerated straight<br>truck       | Refrigerated straight<br>truck            | Tractor-trailer       |
| Frequency of Final<br>Delivery | 1-4 times/day          | Weekly                               | Weekly                                    | Every six months      |

# **Think Beyond Center City**

**MANAYUNK:** A modest size downtown with mixed-use development requires high levels of freight delivery in order to support a livable street rich with small businesses. Downtowns must accommodate these deliveries to ensure a safe, friendly environment for residents, businesses, and patrons alike.



226 BUSINESSES | 34 FOOD SERVICE/ACCOMMODATION | 53 RETAIL | 6 MANUFACTURING | 383 TRIPS/DAY

## **Balancing Multiple Modes and Goals**

Improve visibility + availability of freight data Educate planners and the public Develop better data sharing with public- and private-sectors Encourage smart transportation systems

Inform transportation infrastructure investment

### **Benefits of Smart Goods Delivery System**

Efficient Transportation System Environmental **Energy Consumption** Quality of Life Land Use **Economic Development** 



# **Urban Freight Work**

Identified issues and trends Featured best practices Identified gaps on the public side

Foundation for future work



# **Best Practices for Philadelphia**



# **#1 Opportunity: Curbside Management**

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preference should be given to end of block loading zones minimum 5' buffer between bike lane and loading zone loading zones should be 60' minimum mid-block loading zones with 100' preferred for greater than should provide a curb ramp

single vehicle occupancy

## **Primary Considerations**

Understand demand and capacity for loading Balance limited right-of-way with increasing demands Integrate freight needs with building requirements Prepare for shifting land-use patterns

Limited right-of-way and resources mean doing more with what we have

## **Innovative Solutions**

Provides data and information for policy decisions Reduces congestion, improves safety

Technology that can leverage existing infrastructure to do more

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Alternate Delivery Locations
 UPS Access Points

Consolidated Deliveries
 Sure Post

Home Deliveries

## **Infrastructure sensors – Parking**



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Consumer convenience, reduced trips Public-private partnerships for common carrier lockers at transit

Source: University of Washington, Urban Freight Lab

# **Chestnut Street Pilot – City of Philly** 6-MONTH STUDY

- GOAL: TO IMPROVE CURBSIDE MANAGEMENT AND BUS OPERATIONS ON CHESTNUT STREET
- PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, DVRPC, SEPTA, PPA

LOCATION: 2000 – 600 Chestnut Streets





# **Chestnut Street Pilot – City of Philly**

### EXISTING

### Entire block

- 6AM 10AM loading only (20 minute time limit)
- 10AM 10PM parking only (2 hour time limit)
- 10PM 6AM no regulation

### PILOT

- 80' loading zone at west end of each block (20 minute time limit) all day
- 20' handicap parking at east end of each block
- Remaining space- 2 hour enforced meter parking 6AM – 2AM



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### VIDEO ANALYSIS SAMPLE

| Vehicle Type  | Travel Lane | Delay Start | Delay End | Duration |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
| Pickup        | R           | 23:36:00    | 12:19:46  | 19:46    |
| Auto          | L           | 1:14:39     | 1:15:11   | 0:42     |
| Truck         | L           | 2:49:09     | 2:56:31   | 7:22     |
| Van           | R           | 3:48:13     | 3:49:17   | 1:04     |
| Auto & Truck  | R           | 5:52:12     | 6:52:01   | 11:49    |
| Truck         | L           | 7:22:20     | 7:24:56   | 2:36     |
| Paratransit   | R           | 8:17:50     | 8:20:45   | 2:55     |
| Garbage Truck | R           | 8:22:34     | 8:25:08   | 2:34     |
| Auto          | L           | 8:47:56     | 8:50:19   | 2:23     |

# NYC 14<sup>th</sup> Street Transit/Truck Priority

#### **18-MONTH PILOT PROJECT**

GOALS: INCREASE SPEED AND RELIABILITY FOR M14 BUS SERVICE IMPROVE SAFETY ALONG VISION ZERO PRIORITY CORRIDOR

### 6AM – 10PM

- Only buses and trucks can make through trips
- All other vehicles can make local trips to access the curb and garages
- Commercial vehicles may load and unload in short-term metered loading zones
- Passenger vehicles may drop-off and pickup all along the corridor
  - No left turns

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### **10PM - 6AM**

- All vehicles can make trips along the corridor
- No parking regulations to allow loading and unloading along the corridor
- No left turns

## Moving Ahead

Improving curbside regulations and allocation Complete streets with trucks Truck routing for local municipalities

Continue to leverage data to inform better decisions and a safer, more efficient freight system

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### **Thank You**

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