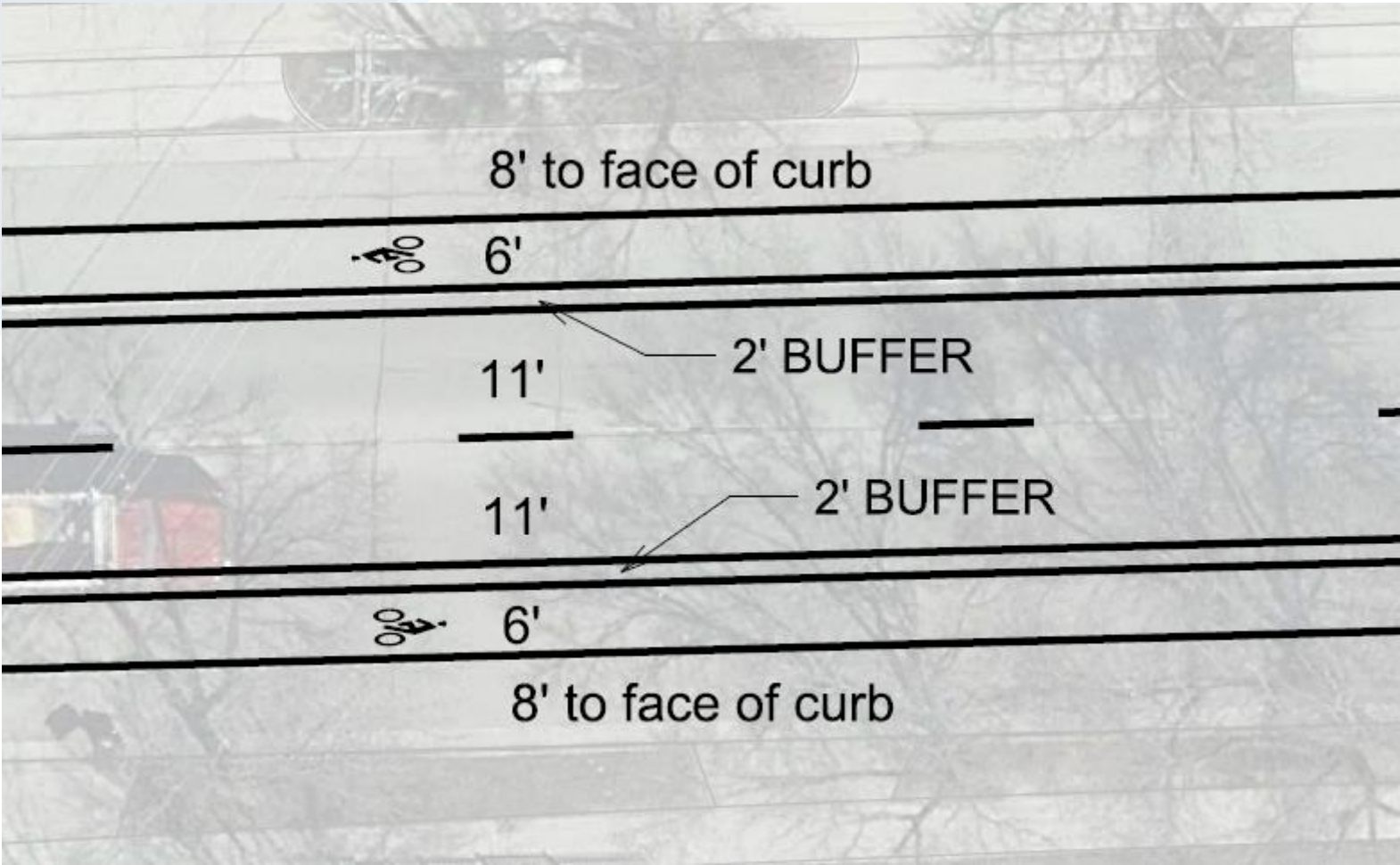


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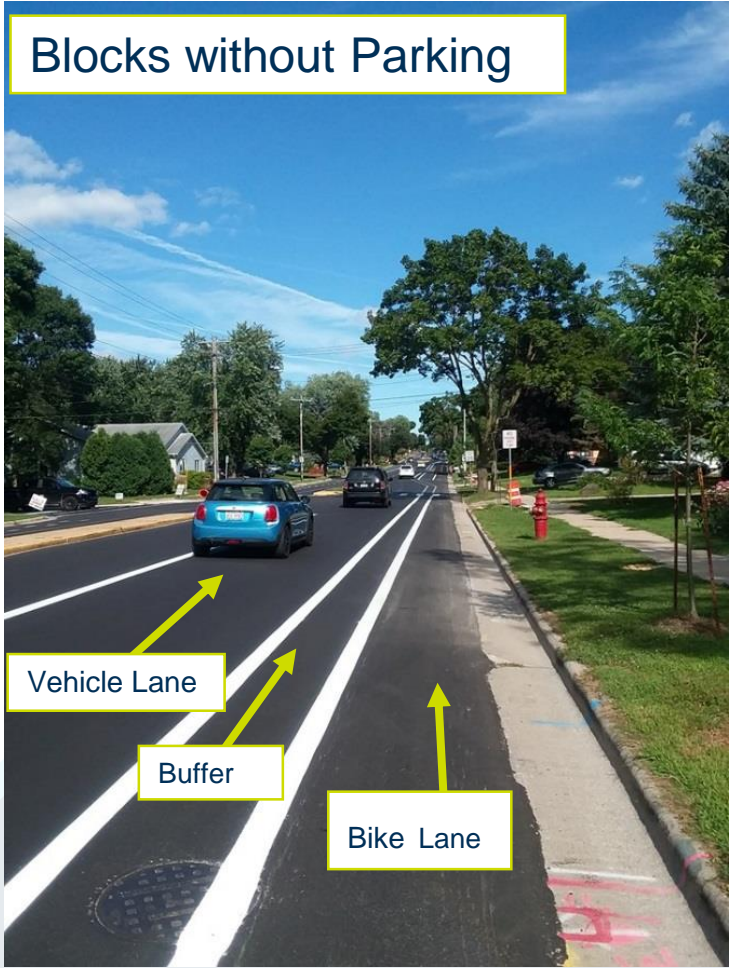
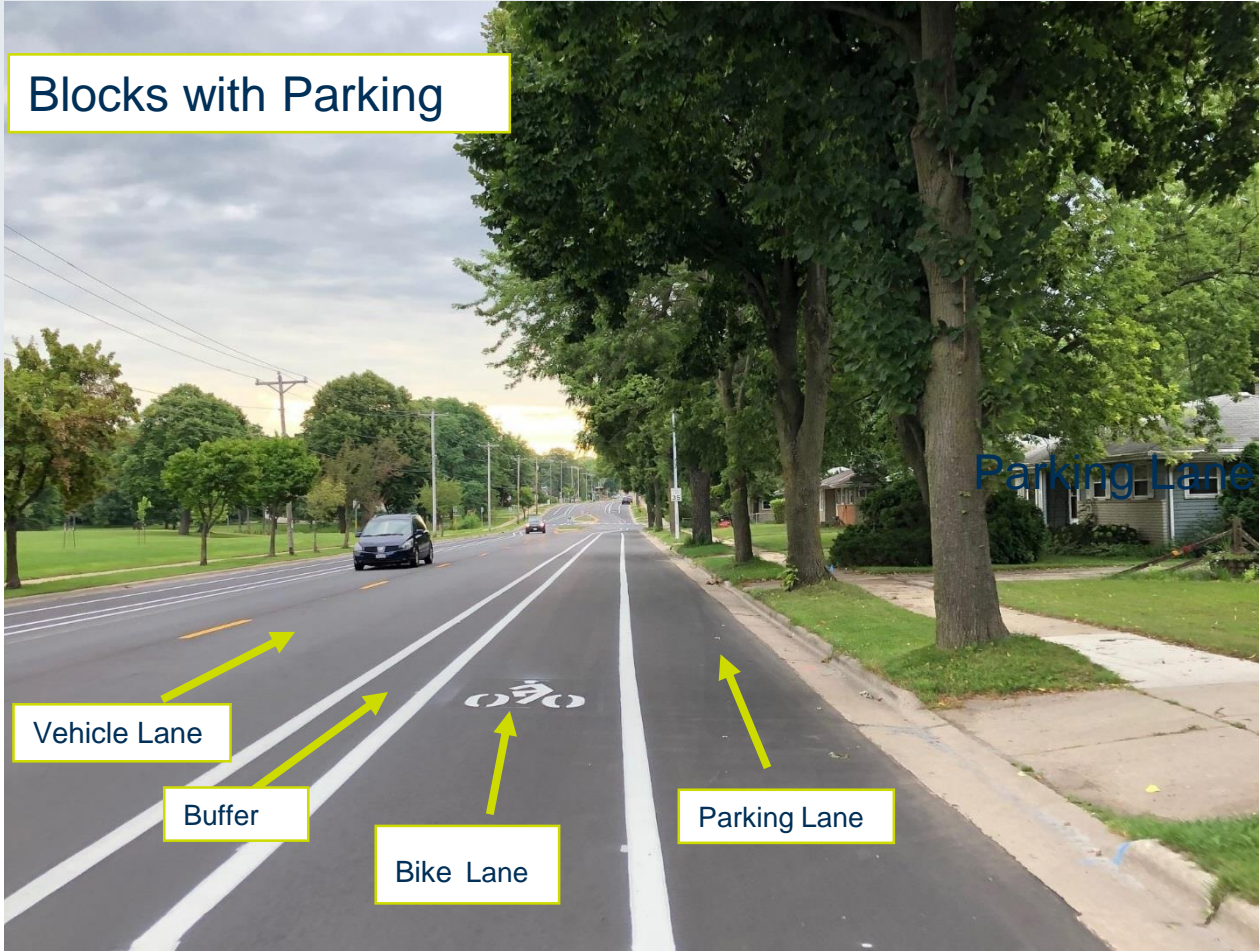


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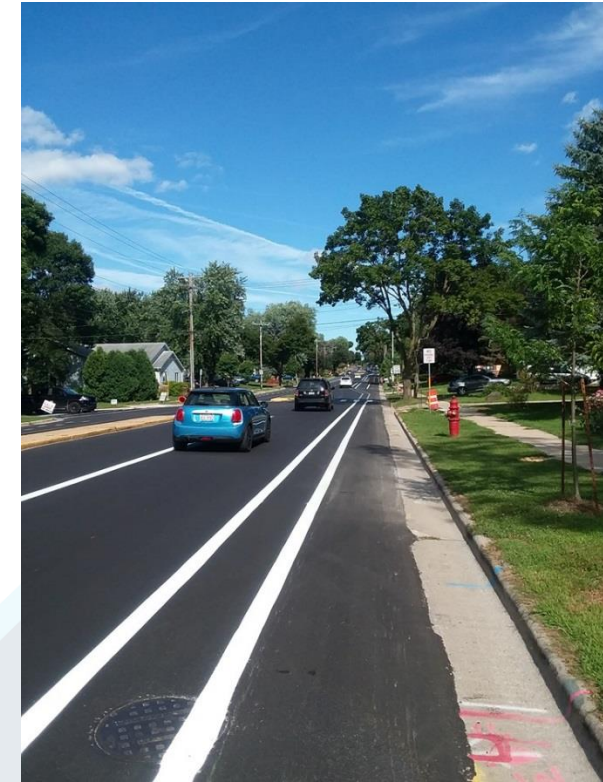


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What does a buffered bike lane mean for drivers?

There isn't much change for drivers.

- A buffered bike lane is just like any other bike lane.
 - It is restricted to bicycle traffic, unless you need to turn, enter or leave the roadway.
 - Do not drive in the bike lane, even to pass other motorists.
- Watch carefully for cyclists particularly at driveways and intersections.
 - If you need to cross the bike lane, make sure to check to the right for bicyclists approaching.
 - If a bicyclist is approaching the intersection (or driveway), you must yield and let them pass before turning.
- When parking always check for bicyclists before entering or exiting the parking spot.



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Motor Vehicle Travel Lanes – 11’

Benefits of 11 Foot Lanes:

- Improved safety - wider lanes may cause unintended speeding.
- Reduce pedestrian crossing distances.

National Design Guidance:

- The National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) Urban Street Design Guide guides recommend 11-foot lanes if there is truck and bus traffic.
- The NACTO design guide consider 10-foot travel lanes adequate in most urban settings and lists that as a way to discourage speeding.

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A buffered bike lane is like a regular lane but with space between the bike lane and travel lane.

Benefits:

- Provides greater distance between motor vehicles and bicyclists.
- The buffer creates a more comfortable riding space especially for less confident cyclists or families with children.
- Provides space for bicyclists to move away from people opening parked car doors.
- Provides space for bicyclists to avoid obstacles in the bike lanes, such as debris, manholes, etc. without needing to enter motor vehicle lane.

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