



**West Hartford Town Council Meeting Minutes
50 South Main Street Legislative Chambers, Room 314
Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 7:25 PM**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM

Present: Councilors Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Cortes, Fay (by phone), McGinnis, Polun, Walters, Deputy Mayor Wenograd and Zydanowicz (by phone)

2. Communications

A. Dr. Jason Wang, addressing the Council on Bike West Hartford issues

Dr. Jason Wang, 194 Four Mile Road, Bike West Hartford, presented information on Bike West Hartford's recommendation for the implementation of quick builds to advocate for safe roads. A copy of his presentation is attached.

3. Adjournment

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The meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

A Call to Action: Quick-Builds for Road Safety

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presented by: Bike West Hartford



Bike West Hartford.org



2022

6 people killed



2024

3 people killed



2025

Time for ACTION!

Current Road Conditions



Site of Anne Rapkin's death

Then

Now



Site of Carlos Garlaza's death

Then

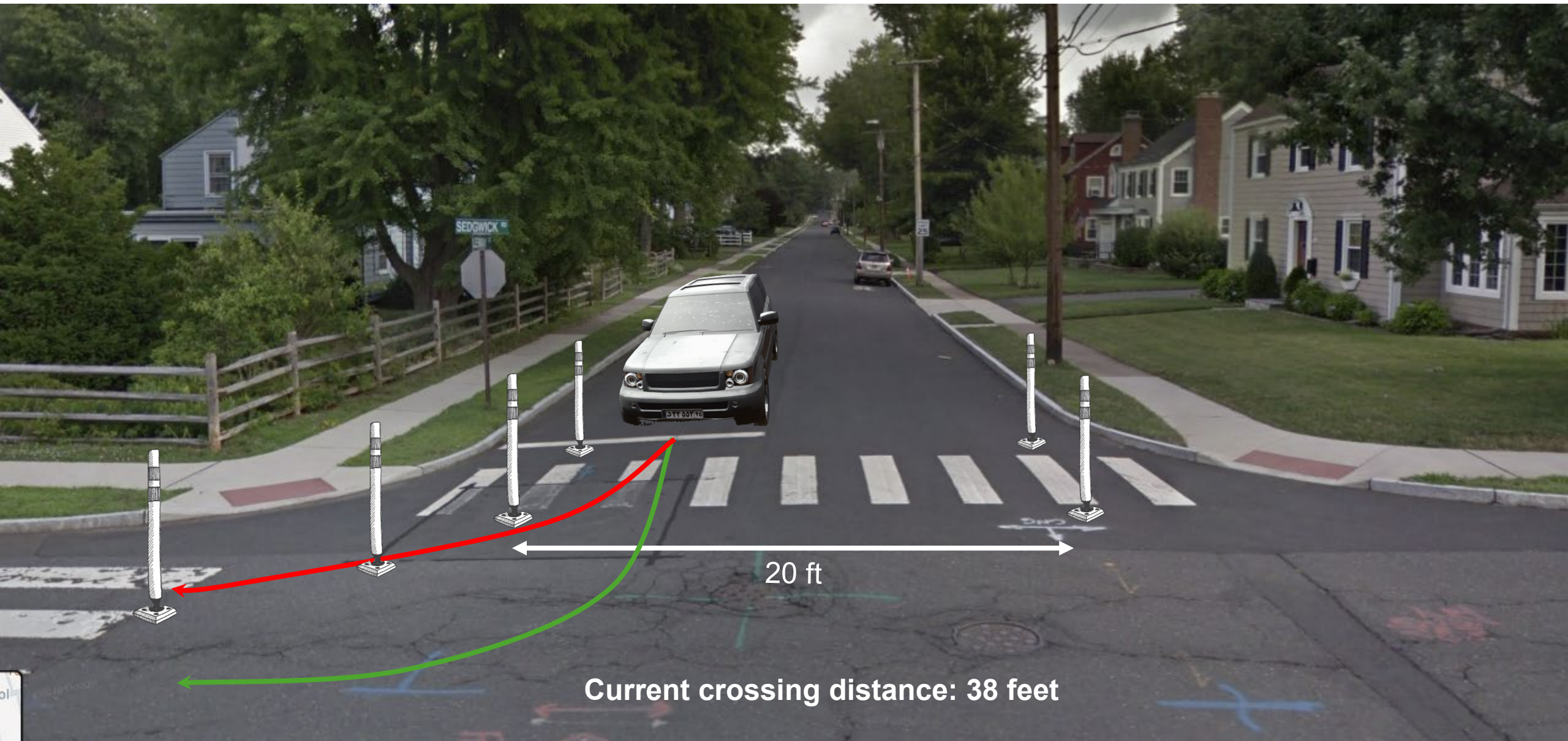
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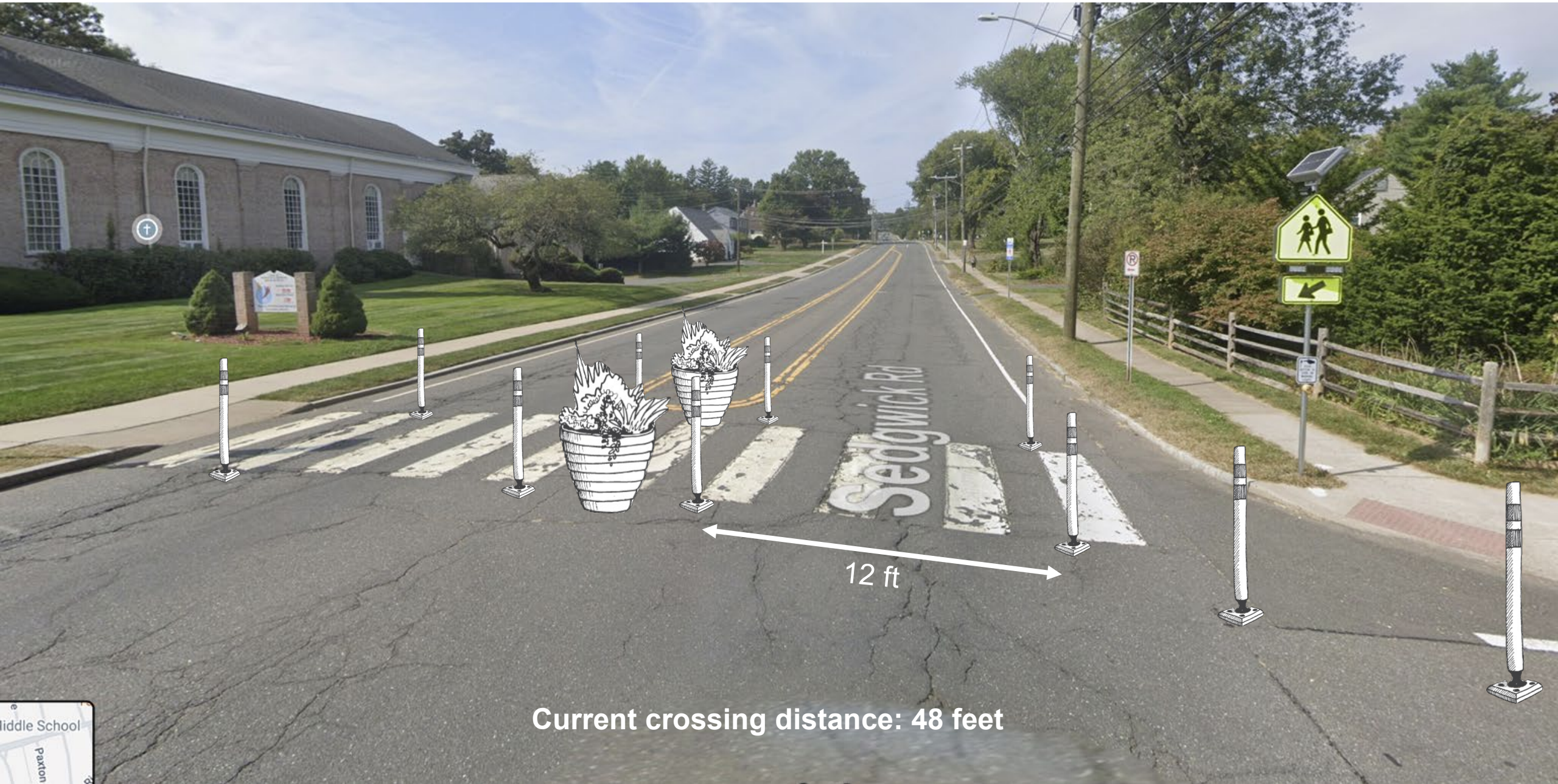


BWH's Vision for 2025

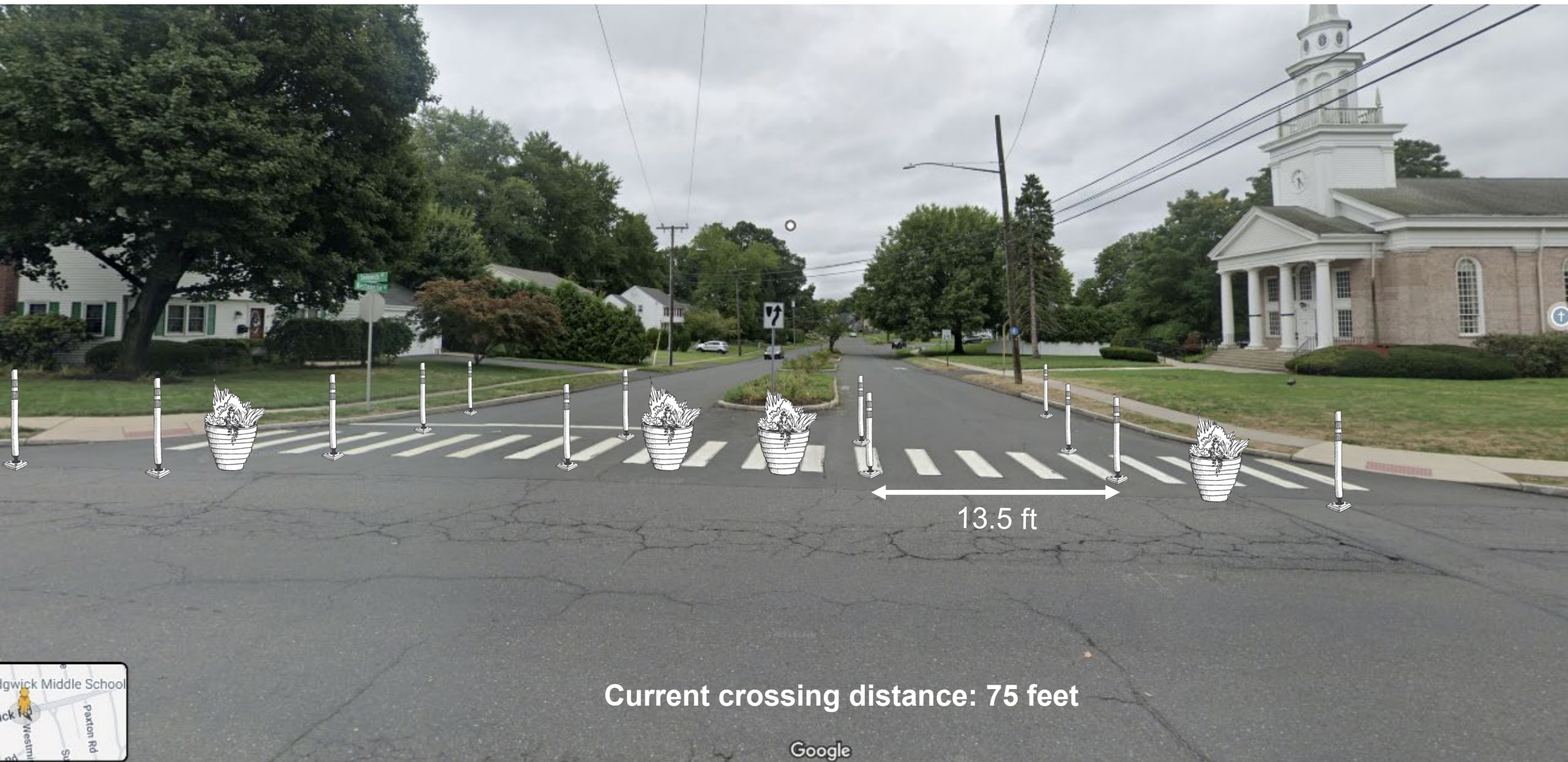
BWH Recommendations for Immediate Action

- Quick-build curb extensions, focusing on:
 - Priority A: School zones overlapping with high injury network (~36 intersections)
 - Priority B: School zones not within High Injury Network (~37 intersections)
 - Priority C: High Injury Network outside of school zones
- Raised crosswalks
- Implement and iterate!





Current crossing distance: 48 feet



Current crossing distance: 75 feet

Google



Examples in other towns

Hartford, CT; Hoboken, NJ; Bozeman, MT









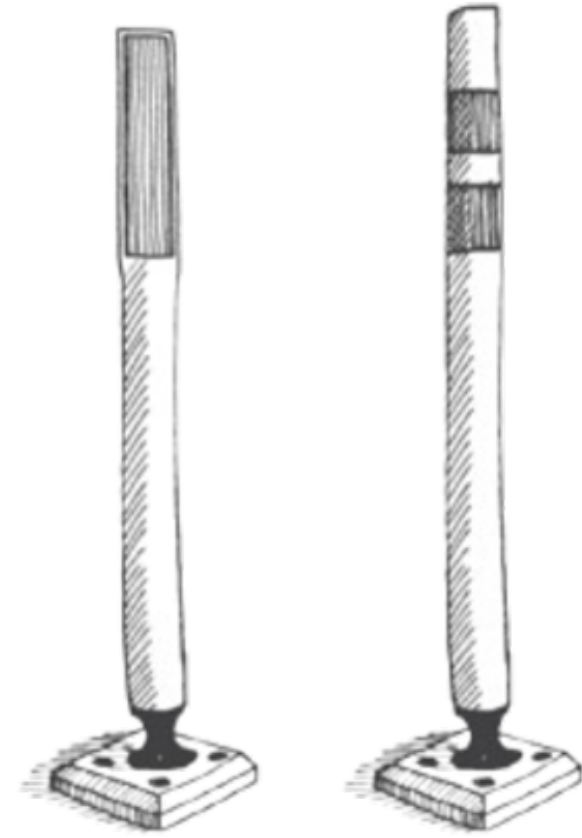
Implementation



Curb Extensions

Flexposts / Delineator Posts

- Inexpensive (~\$40-150 each)
- Proven solution
- Durable



Locations to Target

Priority A - BEFORE SUMMER - School Zones along HIN



Raised Crosswalks



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- Tragedy led WH to launch Vision Zero
- The high-injury network and solutions have been identified
- The town received a \$3,178,000 grant in 2024 to address these needs

The cost of doing nothing is far greater than the cost of intervention.

**The time for action and implementation
is NOW**