Questions

The City told various news outlets, including the New York Times, the Daily News and New York Post, the plans to reconfigure 34th Street no longer include a pedestrian mall from 5th to 6th Avenues. This change alone does not mean all concerned can pack their bags and go on with their lives. Issues remain. The plaza removal brings to mind <u>lyrics</u> from an old <u>Buffalo</u> <u>Springfield</u> (who reunited last fall and whose reunion tour begins in June) song that shares the title to this commentary.

Where do we go now? I'd like to know what you're thinkin'. Answer me slowly now

Street directions – the "rumored" plan included one-way routes east and west from the planned plaza – remain uncertain. Might something like that survive in the scheme to be revealed next month? Might 34th Street be one-way only for non-buses? Will the bus lanes be separated by barriers like some bike lanes? How will curb access be affected for passengers and delivery dropoffs and pickups? How will other streets be impacted? Will it impose further turn restrictions? We'll be watching on March 14.

Some news coverage noted above:

New York Times: City Drops Plan for 34th St. Pedestrian Plaza

New York Post Miracle on 34th St. - Herald plaza axed

Daily News: Pedestrian plaza plans nixed for 34th street between 5th and 6th avenues

Wall Street Journal: City Drops Plaza Plan For 34th

WCBS Radio: <u>Bloomberg Administration Revising Traffic, Pedestrian Mall Plan For 34th.</u> <u>Street</u>

NY1 News City Scraps Plan For Pedestrian Plaza Along 34th Street

MyFoxNews 34th Plan Change