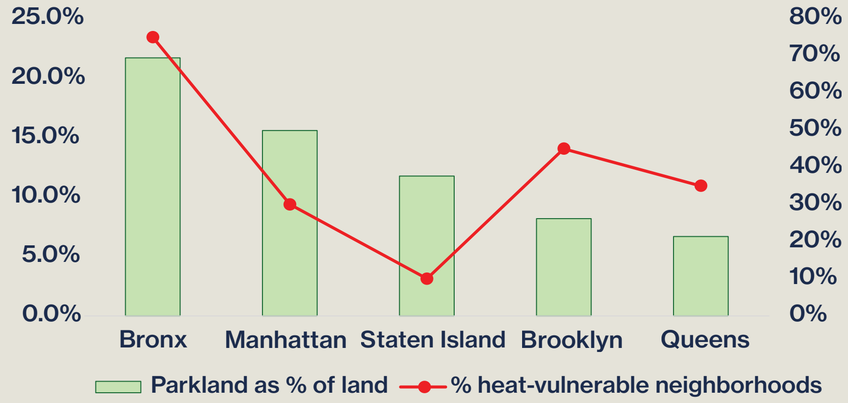
Getting to Pelham Bay Park

Despite its richness of parkland, Bronx neighborhoods are hotter than any others in New York City. This is an access issue and Penn Station Access - the project currently building four new Metro North stations in the Bronx - is the opportiunity to solve it.

Total parkland and heat vulnerability by borough

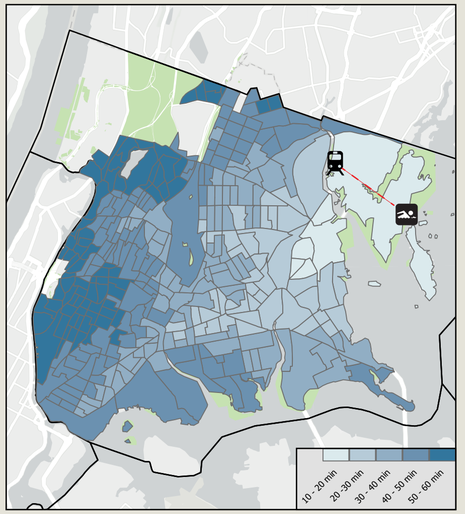




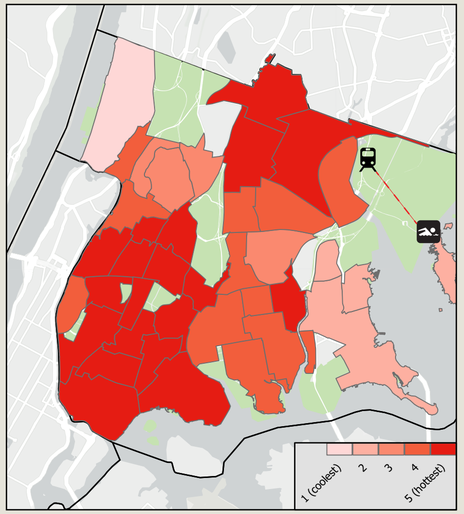


Pelham Bay Park is the largest in the city, with active recreation, natural areas and trails, and sandy beaches. However, since rail access was discontinued in 1936, it has become a very difficult destination to reach without a car. The abandoned station is today a reminder of what we could build again by adding a station to the Penn Station Access scope.

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Heat Vulnerability Index in the Bronx





The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and NYC Parks must collaboratively approach the issue of parkland access in the Bronx. As shown in the above conceptual rendering, seasonal rail service to Pelham Bay, paired with dedicated bus lanes, could bring Bronx residents to their flagship park.

