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Ordinance adding Sections 71, 73, 75, 79 to the San Francisco Traffic Code to require the Director of Parking and Traffic to: (1) install countdown pedestrian signals and ladder striped crosswalks by July 1, 2009, (2) designate specific crosswalk signal crossing times, and (3) upon the recommendation of the Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee, install one hundred signs a year for three years informing the public regarding prohibited sidewalk activities; amending Sections 27, 38.B, 38.K, 39 and Section 219 of the San Francisco Traffic Code to require the Director of Parking and Traffic to designate: (1) two to ten motorcycle parking spaces per block in commercial areas and one to four motorcycle parking spaces per block in residential areas by July 1, 2006, (2) one yellow zone on every block in the Metropolitan Traffic District, (3) one blue zone and taxicab stand on every block in the Metropolitan Traffic District with a residential building with fourteen or more units, and (4) one taxicab stand for every hotel in the Metropolitan Traffic District; amending Section 703 of the San Francisco Public Works Code to require that all curb heights and adjacent sidewalks be a minimum height of six to eight inches as measured from the gutter by July 1, 2024; and adding Sections 703.3 and 703.4 to the San Francisco Public Works Code to require the Director of Public Works to install (1) corner curb bulb-outs on Geary Boulevard, Van Ness Avenue, 19th Avenue, Mission Street, Geneva Avenue, and at the intersections of Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place and McAllister and Grove Streets as permitted by state and local law and (2) ADA compliant curb-cut ramps on every sidewalk corner in the City.

1 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;
2 deletions are ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman*~~.
3 Board amendment additions are double underlined.
4 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

4 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

5 Section 1. The San Francisco Traffic Code is hereby amended by adding Sections 71,
6 73, 75, and 79, to read as follows:

7 **Sec. 71. COUNTDOWN PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS.**

8 *The Director of Parking and Traffic shall install countdown pedestrian signals at all current or*
9 *planned crosswalks with pedestrian signals by July 1, 2009. The countdown pedestrian signal shall*
10 *give a minimum of ten seconds crossing time.*

11 **Sec. 73. CROSSWALK SIGNAL CROSSING TIMES.**

12 *The crosswalk signal crossing time shall be set at two and one-half feet per second across each*
13 *intersection, or at two feet per second to a safe refuge. A "safe refuge" shall constitute a four feet wide*
14 *raised platform with an appropriate passage way cut for disabled users as required by the CalTrans*
15 *Design Manual and Americans with Disabilities Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities.*

16 **Sec. 75. LADDER STRIPED CROSSWALKS.**

17 *The Director of Parking and Traffic shall install ladder-striped crosswalks at all intersections*
18 *within a two-block radius of any school, pre-school, day care center, senior center, or church by July 1,*
19 *2009.*

20 **Sec. 79. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY SIGNS.**

21 *Upon the recommendation of the Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee, the Director of*
22 *Parking and Traffic shall install one hundred signs a year for three years to inform the public of*
23 *prohibited sidewalk activities including vehicle parking on sidewalks, riding bicycles and skateboards*
24 *on sidewalks, and blocking the sidewalk.*

1 Section 2. The San Francisco Traffic Code is hereby amended by amending Sections
2 27, 38.B, 38.K, 39, 219, to read as follows:

3 **SEC. 27. SPECIAL MOTORCYCLE PARKING ZONES.**

4 ~~After a survey of traffic conditions and a public hearing, the Board of Supervisors shall~~
5 ~~designate, by resolution,~~The Director of Parking and Traffic shall designate special motorcycle
6 parking zones on streets in the City and County. These parking zones shall restrict or prohibit in
7 ~~which zones~~ the parking of vehicles other than motorcycles, as defined in the Vehicle Code of
8 the State of California, ~~shall be prohibited or restricted~~ and shall state the time period applicable
9 thereto. ~~Such designation shall be made as will promote uniformly efficient and safe use of such streets~~
10 ~~for public street purposes. Any available curb space three feet or more in length, but too small for the~~
11 ~~parking of automobiles, shall be examined for use as special motorcycle parking zones.~~ Non-
12 motorcycle vehicles parked in designated motorcycle zones shall be designated a hazard,
13 and shall be subject to removal under the provisions of the California Vehicle Code Sections
14 22651(b) and 22651(n). Signs shall be posted designating such motorcycle parking zones as
15 tow-away zones for any non-motorcycle vehicles left parked, stopped, or standing.

16 The Director of Parking and Traffic shall designate parking spaces for the exclusive parking of
17 motorcycles in the following manner. Two to ten motorcycle parking spaces per block shall be
18 designated in commercial parking areas as defined in the Traffic Code. One to four parking spaces per
19 block shall be designated in residential areas as defined in the Traffic Code. The Director of Parking
20 and Traffic shall designate the required motorcycle parking spaces by July 1, 2006.

21 **Sec. 38.B. CURB PARKING REGULATIONS - YELLOW ZONES - METROPOLITAN**
22 **TRAFFIC DISTRICT.**

23 No person shall stop, except for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or
24 freight, in a yellow curb marking within the Metropolitan Traffic District between the hours of
25 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., or in such yellow curb marking where a different period has been

1 designated and signs posted apprising persons of such change, on any day except Sundays,
2 in excess of a period of three minutes for passenger vehicles or a period ranging from 15
3 minutes to two hours, as designated by the Director of Parking and Traffic, for commercial
4 vehicles. Passenger vehicles shall not be stopped in yellow zones under any circumstances
5 between the hours specified or as designated except while the operator is in attendance. The
6 Director of Parking and Traffic shall designate one yellow zone on every block in the Metropolitan
7 Traffic District.

8 In parking meter areas, the zones shall be posted with signs giving notice of the
9 stopping, standing and parking restrictions effective in the zone, and shall have parking
10 meters permitting a maximum parking time ranging from 15 minutes to two hours, as
11 designated by the Director. Denomination of the coin or coins that shall be deposited in these
12 parking meters, the parking time allowed following deposit of such coins, and the hours during
13 which such deposits are required shall be those set for all other parking meters in the same
14 parking meter area or areas.

15 **SEC. 38.K. CURB PARKING REGULATIONS—BLUE ZONES.**

16 No person shall park in a blue curb marking except those vehicles displaying a
17 distinctive license plate issued pursuant to the provisions of Section 22511.5 or Section 9105
18 of the Vehicle Code of the State of California. The Director of Parking and Traffic shall designate
19 one blue zone on every block in the Metropolitan Traffic District with a residential building with
20 fourteen or more units.

21 **SEC. 39. TAXICAB STANDS.**

22 (a) Taxicab stands designated as such pursuant to the provisions of Section 1117,
23 Article 16, Chapter VIII, Part II, of the Municipal Code shall be marked with such signs,
24 wording or colors as may be designated by the Department of Parking and Traffic.

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1 (b) It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle other than a vehicle duly
2 authorized by the Chief of Police to occupy space in any stand referred to in Subsection (a) of
3 this Section at any time of the day or night.

4 (c) The Director of Parking and Traffic shall designate one taxicab stand on every block in the
5 Metropolitan Traffic District which has either a residential building with fourteen or more units or a
6 hotel.

7 **Sec. 219. PARKING METER ZONES FOR MOTORCYCLES ONLY.**

8 In any parking meter area, the Director of Parking and Traffic may establish parking
9 meter zones for the exclusive use of motorcyclists. No person shall stop or park any vehicle
10 other than a motorcycle in a parking meter zone marked or signed for motorcycles only. Non-
11 motorcycle vehicles parked in designated motorcycle zones shall be designated a hazard,
12 and shall be subject to removal under the provisions of the California Vehicle Code Sections
13 22651(b) and 22651(n). Signs shall be posted designating such motorcycle parking zones as
14 tow-away zones for any non-motorcycle vehicles left parked, stopped, or standing.

15 The Director of Parking and Traffic shall designate parking spaces for the exclusive parking of
16 motorcycles in the following manner. Two to ten motorcycle parking spaces per block shall be
17 designated in commercial parking areas as defined in the Traffic Code. One to four parking spaces per
18 block shall be designated in residential parking areas as defined in Traffic Code. The Director of
19 Parking and Traffic shall designate the required motorcycle parking spaces by July 1, 2006.~~In any~~
20 ~~parking meter area, the Director of Parking and Traffic may designate for the exclusive parking of~~
21 ~~motorcycles any available curb space three feet or more in length but too small for the parking of~~
22 ~~automobiles.~~

23 Section 3. The San Francisco Public Works Code is hereby amended by amending
24 Sections 703, to read as follows:

25 **SEC. 703. CONCRETE SIDEWALKS.**

1 Except where special permits are issued as specified in Section 703.1, 704, and 705,
2 sidewalk supported on the ground in any public street or other public way as defined in
3 Section 185 of this Code, shall be of concrete. The concrete sidewalk shall be at least 3-1/2
4 inches thick with a non-skid cement mortar finishing coat at least 1/2 inch thick, except that
5 the finishing coat on terrazzo sidewalks shall be at least 5/8 of one inch thick and shall
6 contain an abrasive aggregate mixed into the finish coat for its entire thickness in the
7 proportion by weight of two parts of abrasive aggregate to three parts of other aggregate. All
8 sidewalks shall be placed in accordance with specifications and rules which the Director of
9 Public Works is hereby authorized to prepare in conformity herewith and as required for
10 public convenience and safety, such specifications and rules to apply to the quality and
11 proportions of the required materials, the method of construction, and the type of finish. The
12 finished surface of the sidewalk shall rise 1/5 inch per foot from curb grade to the property
13 line unless a deviation therefrom is approved by order of the Director of Public Works.

14 Sidewalk topping and wearing surface, when poured monolithic with the slab, may be
15 included as a structural part of the slab, but the overall thickness shall not be less than 3"
16 inches.

17 Sidewalks when unsupported by ground or constructed over excavated areas shall be
18 constructed in accordance with Section 4301 of Article 43 of the Building Code of the City and
19 County of San Francisco.

20 All curb heights and adjacent sidewalks shall be a minimum height of six to eight inches as
21 measured from the gutter. All curb heights shall meet the required specifications by July 1, 2024.

22 Section 4. The San Francisco Public Works Code is hereby amended by adding
23 Sections 703.3 and 703.4, to read as follows:

24 **Sec. 703.3. CORNER CURB BULB-OUTS.**

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1 The Director of Public Works shall install corner curb bulb-outs on Geary Boulevard, Van Ness
2 Avenue, 19th Avenue, Mission Street, Geneva Avenue, and at the intersections of Dr. Carlton B.
3 Goodlett Place and McAllister and Grove Streets as permitted by state and local law. A "curb bulb-
4 out" is a sidewalk protrusion, extending the sidewalk further into the street, which reduces pedestrians'
5 length of travel when crossing a street. Installation shall be completed by July 1, 2009.

6 **Sec. 703.4. ADA COMPLIANT CURB-CUT RAMPS.**

7 The Director of Public Works shall install curb-cut ramps in compliance with the Americans
8 with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities ("ADAAG") on every
9 sidewalk corner in the City and County of San Francisco by July 1, 2009. If the Director of Public
10 Works determines that any curb-cut ramp is not in compliance with the ADAAG, the ramp shall be
11 replaced to conform to current standards.

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