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July 29, 2020

Re: California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Appeal

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

I write to appeal a CEQA exemption determination, which is attached, made by the Planning Department on June 10, 2020 (Planning Department Case No. 2020-005472ENV) regarding Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes and Bikeways (the Project), which was approved by the Municipal Transportation Agency (MTA) Board on June 30, 2020. I have also attached the adopted resolution (200630-062), agenda, staff report and presentation (agenda item 10), and draft minutes from the MTA Board meeting. While I expressed support for the item during public comment at the MTA Board meeting, I have since learned more about the Project and the CEQA exemption that underlies the MTA Board action to approve the Project.

My concerns about this exemption determination include the scope of the authority delegated to the City Traffic Engineer; whether the exemption determination is a blanket CEQA exemption for subsequent actions by the City Traffic Engineer to approve additional temporary emergency transit lanes under that delegated authority without additional location-specific environmental review of those proposed actions; health impacts and risks, and impacts to emergency vehicle access, that would result from at least two of the specific proposed corridors at Church and Market Streets and at Ulloa Street and West Portal Avenue; whether the Project fits the specific exemptions claimed (Class 1 and Guidelines Section 15269(c)); and whether either (or both) of the exceptions to an exemption (cumulative impacts or unusual circumstances) apply to the Project. I intend to more fully brief these issues and perhaps others on or before August 28, 2020, understanding that the last day for me to withdraw this appeal and avoid a hearing would be August 24, 2020, all based on a possible hearing date of September 8, 2020.

Other issues may be implicated here as well, including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Title VI, whether the new rail service plan constitutes a route abandonment under Charter Section 8A.108, and others that are beyond the purview of CEQA. I recognize that this appeal may throw a monkey wrench of unknown size in the MTA's plans to restart additional transit service at this time. As such, I respectfully suggest that this appeal may delay rail service restoration and require continued bus substitution instead of rail service.

As a related matter, I assert that at least some of the specific actions proposed here are not, in fact, necessary to prevent or mitigate a public health emergency, but would instead compound or exacerbate one. As such, I believe that under San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.16 (b) (3) (B), until the CEQA decision is affirmed by the Board, no action should be taken to carry out or consider further the approval of the Project, including activities that might be deemed essential to

abate hazards to the public health and safety, inasmuch as the contention that the specific actions proposed here are necessary to prevent or mitigate a public health emergency is a principal issue being contested in this appeal. Maintaining the status quo, i.e. continued bus substitution instead of rail service, would not compound or exacerbate any existing public health emergency, would avoid irreparable harm, and would allow the appeal process to proceed without the need to consider harms or impacts actually caused by the Project or ways to reverse actions taken to carry out the Project.

The June 30, 2020 MTA Board action adopted a resolution that also amended two sections of the San Francisco Transportation Code, Division II, and added an Appendix A thereto. The Transportation Code amendment, in Section 4, is effective 31 days after enactment, i.e. July 31, 2020, by its own terms. Thus, I question how the MTA purported to hold two online public hearings, on July 18, 2020 (which failed for technical reasons and has since been rescheduled to July 31, 2020) and July 25, 2020, both prior to the effective date of the Transportation Code amendments. Also, the notices for those hearings did not contain language required by Administrative Code Section 31.08 (f) (1). For additional background and context, and in case I need to refer to them in the future, I also attach the legislation, posting notices, and staff presentations from the July 18, July 31, and July 25, 2020 public hearings, along with comments I submitted on July 25, 2020 regarding the J Church Transfer Project, and an MTA Fact Sheet on Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes.

I am always open to resolving my underlying concerns and withdrawing this appeal if an acceptable solution can be reached with Planning and MTA. I also reserve the right to amend this appeal if new information becomes available. Please contact me if you need anything else.

Sincerely,

/s/

David Pilpel

Attachments:

1. DCP Case No. 2020-005472ENV, MTA COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes and Bikeways, Categorical Exemption determination dated June 10, 2020 (20 pages)
2. MTA Board 6-30-20 Item 10 Adopted Resolution 200630-062 (13 pages)
3. MTA Board 6-30-20 Agenda (6 pages)
4. MTA Board 6-30-20 Item 10 Staff Report (24 pages)
5. MTA Board 6-30-20 Item 10 Presentation (22 pages)
6. MTA Board 6-30-20 Draft Minutes (8 pages)
7. MTA LK Transfer Project 7-18-20 Public Hearing Detailed Legislation (1 page)
8. MTA LK Transfer Project 7-18-20 Public Hearing Presentation (19 pages)
9. MTA LK Transfer Project 7-31-20 Public Hearing Detailed Legislation (1 page)
10. MTA LK Transfer Project 7-31-20 Public Hearing Posting Notice (1 page)
11. MTA J Church Transfer Project 7-25-20 Public Hearing Proposed Legislation 7-16-20 (2 pages)
12. MTA J Church Transfer Project 7-25-20 Public Hearing Proposed Legislation 7-21-20 (2 pages)
13. MTA J Church Transfer Project 7-25-20 Public Hearing Posting Notice (1 page)
14. MTA J Church Transfer Project 7-25-20 Public Hearing Presentation (28 pages)
15. MTA J Church Transfer Project Comments DP 200725 (1 page)
16. MTA Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes Fact Sheet 7-4-20 (2 pages)

cc: Lisa Gibson, Environmental Review Officer, Planning Department



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CEQA Categorical Exemption Determination

PROPERTY INFORMATION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project Address		Block/Lot(s)
SFMTA - Transportation Recovery Plan: COVID-19 Emergency Temporar		
Case No.		Permit No.
2020-005472ENV		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addition/ Alteration	<input type="checkbox"/> Demolition (requires HRE for Category B Building)	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction
<p>Project description for Planning Department approval.</p> <p>Transportation Recovery Plan: COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes and COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Bikeways. Full project description attached to this Categorical Exemption, and located under related documents for record 2020-005472ENV.</p>		

STEP 1: EXEMPTION CLASS

The project has been determined to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Class 1 - Existing Facilities. Interior and exterior alterations; additions under 10,000 sq. ft.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Class 3 - New Construction. Up to three new single-family residences or six dwelling units in one building; commercial/office structures; utility extensions; change of use under 10,000 sq. ft. if principally permitted or with a CU.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Class 32 - In-Fill Development. New Construction of seven or more units or additions greater than 10,000 sq. ft. and meets the conditions described below:</p> <p>(a) The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations.</p> <p>(b) The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of no more than 5 acres substantially surrounded by urban uses.</p> <p>(c) The project site has no value as habitat for endangered rare or threatened species.</p> <p>(d) Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality.</p> <p>(e) The site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services.</p> <p>FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING USE ONLY</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>Class _____</p> <p>Statutorily Exempt-15269(c) Emergency Projects: Specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.</p>

STEP 2: CEQA IMPACTS

TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER

<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Air Quality: Would the project add new sensitive receptors (specifically, schools, day care facilities, hospitals, residential dwellings, and senior-care facilities within an Air Pollution Exposure Zone? Does the project have the potential to emit substantial pollutant concentrations (e.g., backup diesel generators, heavy industry, diesel trucks, etc.)? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Air Pollution Exposure Zone)</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Hazardous Materials: If the project site is located on the Maher map or is suspected of containing hazardous materials (based on a previous use such as gas station, auto repair, dry cleaners, or heavy manufacturing, or a site with underground storage tanks): Would the project involve 50 cubic yards or more of soil disturbance - or a change of use from industrial to residential?</p> <p>Note that a categorical exemption shall not be issued for a project located on the Cortese List if the applicant presents documentation of enrollment in the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) Maher program, a DPH waiver from the Maher program, or other documentation from Environmental Planning staff that hazardous material effects would be less than significant (refer to EP_ArcMap > Maher layer).</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Transportation: Does the project involve a child care facility or school with 30 or more students, or a location 1,500 sq. ft. or greater? Does the project have the potential to adversely affect transit, pedestrian and/or bicycle safety (hazards) or the adequacy of nearby transit, pedestrian and/or bicycle facilities?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Archeological Resources: Would the project result in soil disturbance/modification greater than two (2) feet below grade in an archeological sensitive area or eight (8) feet in a non -archeological sensitive area? If yes, archeo review is required (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Archeological Sensitive Area)</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Subdivision/Lot Line Adjustment: Does the project site involve a subdivision or lot line adjustment on a lot with a slope average of 20% or more? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Topography). If yes, Environmental Planning must issue the exemption.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Slope = or > 25%: Does the project involve any of the following: (1) square footage expansion greater than 500 sq. ft. outside of the existing building footprint, (2) excavation of 50 cubic yards or more of soil, (3) new construction? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Topography) If box is checked, a geotechnical report is required and Environmental Planning must issue the exemption.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Seismic: Landslide Zone: Does the project involve any of the following: (1) square footage expansion greater than 500 sq. ft. outside of the existing building footprint, (2) excavation of 50 cubic yards or more of soil, (3) new construction? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Seismic Hazard Zones) If box is checked, a geotechnical report is required and Environmental Planning must issue the exemption.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Seismic: Liquefaction Zone: Does the project involve any of the following: (1) square footage expansion greater than 500 sq. ft. outside of the existing building footprint, (2) excavation of 50 cubic yards or more of soil, (3) new construction? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Seismic Hazard Zones) If box is checked, a geotechnical report will likely be required and Environmental Planning must issue the exemption.</p>
<p>Comments and Planner Signature (optional): Laura Lynch</p> <p>There are no unusual circumstances that would result in a reasonable possibility of a significant effect.</p>	

STEP 3: PROPERTY STATUS - HISTORIC RESOURCE
TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER

PROPERTY IS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: (refer to Property Information Map)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Category A: Known Historical Resource. GO TO STEP 5.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Category B: Potential Historical Resource (over 45 years of age). GO TO STEP 4.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Category C: Not a Historical Resource or Not Age Eligible (under 45 years of age). GO TO STEP 6.

STEP 4: PROPOSED WORK CHECKLIST
TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER

Check all that apply to the project.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Change of use and new construction. Tenant improvements not included.
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Regular maintenance or repair to correct or repair deterioration, decay, or damage to building.
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Window replacement that meets the Department's <i>Window Replacement Standards</i> . Does not include storefront window alterations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Garage work. A new opening that meets the <i>Guidelines for Adding Garages and Curb Cuts</i> , and/or replacement of a garage door in an existing opening that meets the Residential Design Guidelines.
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Deck, terrace construction, or fences not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way.
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Mechanical equipment installation that is not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way.
<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Dormer installation that meets the requirements for exemption from public notification under <i>Zoning Administrator Bulletin No. 3: Dormer Windows</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Addition(s) that are not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way for 150 feet in each direction; does not extend vertically beyond the floor level of the top story of the structure or is only a single story in height; does not have a footprint that is more than 50% larger than that of the original building; and does not cause the removal of architectural significant roofing features.
Note: Project Planner must check box below before proceeding.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project is not listed. GO TO STEP 5.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project does not conform to the scopes of work. GO TO STEP 5.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project involves four or more work descriptions. GO TO STEP 5.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project involves less than four work descriptions. GO TO STEP 6.

STEP 5: CEQA IMPACTS - ADVANCED HISTORICAL REVIEW
TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER

Check all that apply to the project.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Project involves a known historical resource (CEQA Category A) as determined by Step 3 and conforms entirely to proposed work checklist in Step 4.
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Interior alterations to publicly accessible spaces.
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Window replacement of original/historic windows that are not "in-kind" but are consistent with existing historic character.
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Façade/storefront alterations that do not remove, alter, or obscure character-defining features.
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Raising the building in a manner that does not remove, alter, or obscure character-defining features.
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Restoration based upon documented evidence of a building's historic condition, such as historic photographs, plans, physical evidence, or similar buildings.

<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Addition(s) , including mechanical equipment that are minimally visible from a public right-of-way and meet the <i>Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation</i> .
<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Other work consistent with the <i>Secretary of the Interior Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties</i> (specify or add comments):
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9. Other work that would not materially impair a historic district (specify or add comments): Re-striping of streets for temporary transit/bike lanes. Any required signage will be limited to modern or standard issue SFMTA street poles/street lamps. Sign installation will not occur on street poles/lights containing sculpted features unless the design is also standard issue by SFMTA. (Requires approval by Senior Preservation Planner/Preservation Coordinator)
<input type="checkbox"/>	10. Reclassification of property status. (Requires approval by Senior Preservation Planner/Preservation <input type="checkbox"/> Reclassify to Category A a. Per HRER or PTR dated <input type="checkbox"/> Reclassify to Category C (attach HRER or PTR) b. Other (specify):
Note: If ANY box in STEP 5 above is checked, a Preservation Planner MUST sign below.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project can proceed with categorical exemption review. The project has been reviewed by the Preservation Planner and can proceed with categorical exemption review. GO TO STEP 6.
Comments (optional):	
Preservation Planner Signature: Charles Enchill	

**STEP 6: CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION DETERMINATION
TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No further environmental review is required. The project is categorically exempt under CEQA. There are no unusual circumstances that would result in a reasonable possibility of a significant effect.	
	Project Approval Action: SFMTA Board Approval	Signature: Laura Lynch
		06/10/2020
<p>Once signed or stamped and dated, this document constitutes a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31 of the Administrative Code. In accordance with Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, an appeal of an exemption determination can only be filed within 30 days of the project receiving the approval action. Please note that other approval actions may be required for the project. Please contact the assigned planner for these approvals.</p>		



Date: June 10, 2020
To: Laura Lynch, San Francisco Planning Department
From: Ian Trout, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
Through: Melinda Hue, San Francisco Municipal Agency
Re: **Transportation Recovery Plan: COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes and COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Bikeways**
Planning Department Case: 2020-005472ENV

Project Overview

As a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) proposes to create temporary transit lanes (bus and taxi only, bus/taxi/bike only lanes, Muni only lanes, or Muni/bicycle only lanes), and temporary bikeways in order to support essential trips in San Francisco, allow for better physical distancing, and maintain transit reliability for essential trips in light of increasing congestion.

Existing Conditions

The project area spans several neighborhoods throughout San Francisco. The list of project corridors are listed below in Table 1. The existing roadways typically have two travel lanes in each direction (with the exception of Eddy, Haight, Ulloa, 4th, Sacramento, and Clay streets). Some streets have left turn pockets (Potrero Avenue, Bayshore and Geary boulevards, 4th, Post, 7th, and 8th streets) but most don't. The Mission Street corridor through downtown San Francisco has left turn restrictions at most intersections. In addition, there are existing part time transit only lanes on the following streets: West Portal Avenue, Clay, Sacramento, Sutter, and Mission streets.

In addition, there are some existing bicycle corridors within the proposed project limits: There are five class III bicycle corridors located on Ulloa Street, Woodside Avenue, Bosworth Street, Presidio Avenue, Sutter, and Post streets and Ocean Avenue, two class II bicycle corridors located on Bayshore Boulevard and Potrero Avenue; Geneva Avenue has a mix of class III and II bikeways, and finally three class IV corridors located on Masonic Avenue, Laguna Honda Boulevard, 7th Street, and 8th Street.



Proposed Project

The proposed project includes temporary changes that would expire once the state of emergency is lifted. The identified streets would revert to pre-project conditions within 120 days after the retraction of the City's proclamation of the COVID-19 local emergency. Permanent implementation of the changes in the proposed project would require subsequent approval and a new CEQA analysis would be performed prior to any approvals of the permanent implementation.

Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes

Since April 8, 2020, Muni has been operating a COVID-19 Core Service Plan to support essential trips that cannot be made any other way. SFMTA has since seen a small increase in and stabilization in the number of available key personnel and resources, allowing for expansion of transit service based on ridership trends and public feedback during the pandemic. However, even with the increasing expansion of transit service, Muni vehicle capacity on each bus has been reduced under the COVID-19 local emergency due to the need to maintain six feet of social distancing within vehicles. To support transit reliability, shorten transit travel times, and address overcrowding resulting from reduced capacity on Muni buses as well as to address increasing congestion, the SFMTA proposes to install temporary transit lanes (bus and taxi only, bus/taxi/bike only lanes, Muni only lanes, or Muni/bicycle only lanes) on project corridors throughout the city (See Table 1). Adding transit only lanes along Muni's COVID-19 Core Service Plan routes would minimize risks from traffic delay which potentially increases the risk of exposure to COVID-19 for customers and operators by elongating trips. The additional proposed transit only lanes would allow for future modifications to the COVID-19 Core Service Plan to increase coverage across the city and connect to additional essential services while minimizing the effects of congestion on transit delay.

Table 1 shows a list of project corridors where emergency temporary transit lanes are being proposed. For a graphical representation of the corridors, please refer to Figure 1 below. Some project corridors would include one transit only lane going in one direction while other project corridors would include two transit only lanes, one going in each direction. In some project corridors, instead of transit only lanes, there would be:

- Creation of Muni/bicycle only lane on Church Street and on Ulloa Street in order to provide a dedicated space for transfer points between the J and the K/L rail



shuttles and the Muni Metro at Church Station and West Portal Station, respectively.

- Creation of a Muni only lane on 4th Street between Channel and Berry streets in order to prioritize the T route thru a sometimes congested section of its route. Note that due to the presence of rails and heavy congestion, no taxis or bicycles would be allowed to use the Muni only lane in this location.
- Creation of bus/taxi/bicycle only lanes on Woodside Avenue, Bosworth Street, Presidio Avenue, and portions of Post and Sutter streets and Geneva Avenue (these streets are already class III bicycle corridors)

To accommodate the installation of such lanes, additional changes may also occur, including:

- Left Turn restrictions on California Street, Masonic Avenue, Divisadero Street, Fulton Street, Lincoln Way, 4th Street, Ocean Avenue, and Geneva Avenue
- Approximately 837 general parking spaces removed (un-metered and metered)
- Approximately 3 motorcycle spaces removed
- Approximately 55 white zones relocated to across the street or on the nearest cross-street (un-metered and metered)
- Approximately 5 blue zones relocated to nearest accessible location
- Approximately 123 yellow zones relocated to across the street or on the nearest cross-street (un-metered and metered)
- Conversion of Clay Street, between Gough Street and Van Ness Avenue, from a two-way street into one-way eastbound street

The installation of these bus and taxi only, bus/taxi/bike only lanes, Muni only lanes, or Muni/bicycle only lanes would not require lane removal, but would require either the conversion of an existing mixed-flow lane, a parking lane, or conversion of an existing part time transit only lane into full time transit only and bus/taxi/bicycle only lanes.



Table 1- COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes (ETTL)

Notes for Table 1: One-Way indicates that only one transit only lane going in one direction would be installed along the project corridor. Two-Way indicates that two transit only lanes (one going in each direction) would be installed along the project corridor.

GMP: General Metered Parking

TOL: Transit (Bus and Taxi) Only Lane

HOV: High Occupancy Vehicle lane

Street	From	To	two-way or one way ETTLs proposed*	Parking Removed/Loading Relocated to nearest cross-street	Notes
Potrero Avenue	Cesar Chavez	Division Street	One-way & two-way	No change	Would be Northbound TOL only between 25 th and 18 th streets; otherwise TOL in both directions
Bayshore Boulevard	Silver Avenue	Cesar Chavez	Two-way	32 northbound and 26 southbound (non-metered) parking spaces would be removed due to proposed bikeway (see below)	Would be TOL
Laguna Honda Boulevard	Clarendon Avenue	Dewey Boulevard	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
Woodside Avenue	Laguna Honda Boulevard	Portola Drive	Two-way	No change	Would be bus/taxi/bike only lane
O'Shaughnessy Boulevard	Portola Drive	800 feet southerly	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
Bosworth Street	Elk Street	Arlington Street	two-way	No change	Would be bus/taxi/bike only lane



Mission Street	11 th Street	1 st Street	two-way	120 GMP spaces would be removed, 20 Yellow zones and 15 white zones would be relocated. On the opposite side of street, the current part-time tow-away regulations would be rescinded.	Would be conversion of part-time TOL to full time TOL
Castro Street	Divisadero Street	Duboce Avenue	Two-way	No Change	Would be TOL
Divisadero Street	Castro Street	Sacramento Street	two-way	No change	Would be TOL
California Street	Arguello Boulevard	Steiner Street	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
Sacramento Street	Front Street	Larkin Street	One-way	116 non-metered parking spaces, 1 motorcycle space, and 9 GMP would be removed, 8 white zones, 3 metered white zones, 11 yellow metered zones would be relocated	Would be conversion of part-time TOL to full time TOL
Sacramento Street	Gough Street	Larkin Street	One-way	No change	Would be TOL
Clay Street	Gough Street	Van Ness Avenue	One-way	9 non-metered parking spaces would be removed	Would be TOL, which would require conversion of the existing two-way street to a one-way street
Clay Street	Van Ness	Larkin	One-way	No change	Would be TOL



Clay Street	Larkin Street	Powell Street	One-way	67 non-metered parking spaces would be removed, 2 yellow zones would be relocated	Would be TOL
Clay Street	Powell Street	Sansome Street	One-way	29 GMP would be removed, 3 metered white zones and 17 yellow metered zones would be relocated	Would be conversion of part-time TOL to full time TOL
7 th Street and 8 th Street (19 Polk)	Townsend Street	Market Street	one-way	No change	TOL on 7th Street would be northbound and TOL on 8th Street would be southbound
Masonic Avenue	Haight Street	Geary Boulevard	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
Presidio Avenue	Geary Boulevard	Sacramento Street	Two-way	No change	Would be bus/taxi/bike only lane
Fulton Street	Stanyan Street	48 th Avenue	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
4 th Street	Channel	Berry	Two-way	No change	No northbound traffic except Muni
Geary Boulevard	Stanyan	34 th Ave	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
Haight Street	Webster	Buchanan	One-way	14 non-metered spaces would be removed	Would be TOL
Lincoln Way	2 nd Avenue	23 rd Avenue	Two-way	120 non-metered spaces would be removed	Conversion of part-time tow away travel lane to full time.
Ulloa Street	Wawona Street	West Portal Avenue	Two-way	2 non-metered (existing part time restrictions)	No traffic except Muni & bicycles



				spaces would be removed	
West Portal Avenue	Vicente Street	Ulloa Street	Two-way	50 GMP would be removed	Conversion of part-time to full time transit only lane & new southbound TOL
Church Street	15 th Street	Market Street	Two-way	15 GMP & 2 metered motorcycle spaces would be removed; 6 yellow metered zones would be relocated	No northbound or southbound traffic except Muni & bicycles
Park Presidio Blvd/Crossover Dr	Lincoln Way	Lake Street	Two-way	No change	HOV lane (bus/taxi/ vehicles with +3 people)
Post Street	Gough Street	Market Street	One-way	5 GMP would be removed, 4 blue zones, 22 white zones, 29 yellow metered zones would be relocated due to proposed bikeway (see below)	Would be TOL with IV bikeway & Bike/Bus/taxi only lane in some parts
Sutter Street	Kearny Street	Gough Street	One-way	5 GMPs, 7 non-metered spaces would be removed; 1 white zone and 4 yellow metered spaces would be relocated due to proposed bikeway (see below)	Would be TOL with IV bikeway & Bike/Bus/taxi only lane in some parts
Sutter Street	Market Street	Kearny Street	One-way	24 yellow metered spaces	Would be conversion of



				would be relocated	part-time TOL to full time Bike/Bus/taxi lane
Ocean Avenue	Geneva Avenue	Junipero Serra Boulevard	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
Mission Street	30 th Street	Huron Street	Two-way	No change	Would be TOL
Hyde Street	Eddy Street	Market Street	One-way	No change	Would be TOL
Eddy Street	Polk Street	Hyde Street	One-way	11 GMP would be removed, 2 Yellow meters, and 3 white meters would be relocated	Would be TOL
Larkin Street	Market Street	Geary Street	One-way	No change	Would be TOL
Geneva Ave	Ocean Avenue	Santos Street	Two-way	7 GMP, 193 non-metered spaces would be removed; 1 blue zone, 4 non-metered yellow zones, 4 yellow meters would be relocated due to proposed bikeway (see below)	Would be TOL with IV bikeway & Bike/Bus/taxi only lane in some parts
19 th Avenue/Junipero Serra Blvd	Lincoln Way	Alemany Boulevard	Two-way	No change	HOV lane (bus/taxi/ vehicles with +3 people)
Veterans Blvd/Presidio Parkway/Richardson Ave/Lombard St	Van Ness Avenue	Lake Street	Two-way	No change	HOV lane (bus/taxi/ vehicles with +3 people)

Emergency Temporary HOV Lanes

Temporary HOV lanes (bus/taxi/vehicles with 3 or more people) are proposed, in both directions, along California State routes 1 and 101 along Lombard Street, Richardson Avenue, Presidio Parkway, Veterans Boulevard, Park Presidio Boulevard, Crossover Drive,



19th Avenue, and Junipero Serra Boulevard. These lanes would help improve travel times and reliability for the 28, 28R Muni routes, many Golden Gate Transit routes (approximately 50 buses per hour in the peak periods), Marin Airporter, and Sonoma County Airport Express buses. No parking removal would occur and installation of these HOV lanes are subject to Caltrans approval.

Emergency Temporary Bicycle Lanes

A temporary Class IV bike way is proposed for Bayshore Boulevard, in both directions, between Silver and Oakdale avenues. In addition, in the northbound direction, the proposed IV bikeway would extend to Jerrold Avenue. To accommodate the bike lane, approximately 32 northbound and 26 southbound non-metered parking spaces would be removed. The bike lane is needed for supporting access to essential services, such as Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, through bike travel while transit service levels are temporarily reduced and to reduce congestion.

Temporary Class IV bike ways are also proposed for uphill portions of Geneva Avenue, Post Street, and Sutter Street. To accommodate the bike ways, approximately 17 general metered parking spaces and 200 non-metered spaces would be removed. Approximately, 5 blue zones, 4 non-metered yellow zones, 23 white zones, 37 yellow metered zones would be relocated. These bike lanes are needed for supporting access to essential services through bike travel, such as connections to BART stations, grocery stores, California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) Van Ness Campus, and St Francis Memorial Hospital, while transit service levels are temporarily reduced and to reduce congestion.

Also, as noted in Table 1 above, some of the project corridors would include Muni/bicycle lanes or bike/bus/taxi lanes. The bus/bicycle/taxi only lanes would be located on Woodside Avenue, Bosworth Street, Presidio Avenue, and portions of Geneva Avenue, Sutter, and Post streets where there already is an existing class III bikeway. These would be created to provide more separation between Muni or bicycles and private vehicles.

The Muni/bicycle only lanes are proposed to be located on Church and Ulloa streets in order to establish a safe area for people to walk between the rail platforms and the sidewalk without having to worry about private or commercial vehicles. These 2 locations will be key transfer points between the Muni Metro subway and the J or K/L shuttles.



The proposed changes described above are to facilitate members of the public maintaining six feet social distance while making essential trips by bus or bicycle modes. These changes are proposed to prevent and mitigate a public health emergency, are temporary in nature, and will expire 120 days after the retraction of the City's proclamation of the COVID-19 local emergency (dated February 25, 2020).

Transportation Discussion

Vehicle Miles Traveled

The proposed project would include temporary transit and bicycling safety improvements, reconfiguration of traffic lanes, loading zones, and parking restrictions on multiple corridors listed above in Table 1. While temporary in nature, these improvements fall under "Active Transportation...and Transit Projects" and "Other Minor Transportation Projects" in accordance with *CEQA Section 21099 – Modernization of Transportation Analysis*, and are therefore presumed to not significantly impact VMT and no further VMT analysis is required.

Pedestrians

While the proposed project mainly consists of transit and bicycle improvements, it could improve safety for pedestrians by prohibiting turns at certain intersections and reducing the risk of traffic collisions. The temporary changes would not alter any sidewalks, so no direct impacts to pedestrians are expected.

Bicycles

This project would improve conditions for people on bikes traveling on Bayshore Boulevard, Church Street, Ulloa Street, Woodside Avenue, Bosworth Street, Presidio Avenue, Geneva Avenue, Sutter, and Post streets. A parking-protected bike lane on Bayshore Boulevard and on parts of Sutter and Post streets, and Geneva Avenue would reduce potential conflicts between bicycles and other modes as the parking lane would provide physical separation between bicycles and moving vehicles. The bicycle/bus/taxi or Muni/bicycle only lanes on Church, Ulloa and Bosworth streets and Woodside and , Presidio avenues, and portions of Sutter and Post streets, and Geneva Avenue would reduce potential conflicts between bicycles and private or commercial vehicles.



Transit

The proposed project would install temporary transit only or bus/taxi/bicycle only lanes on the project corridors listed in Table 1. The Muni COVID-19 Core Service Plan includes the following Muni routes that would run along these proposed lanes: 9/9R, 19, 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 24, 28, 38, 38R, 44, 43, 14, 14R, J, K, L, M, T. These lanes are proposed to separate transit vehicles from vehicle congestion. Transit (bus and taxi, Muni, HOV, or bus/taxi/bike only) lanes can reduce transit travel times by allowing transit vehicles to bypass traffic congestion and avoid conflicts with other vehicles in mixed-flow lanes. Therefore, transit delay is not expected. Left turn restrictions along California Street, Masonic Avenue, Divisadero Street, Fulton Street, Lincoln Way, 4th Street, Ocean Avenue, and Geneva Avenue would change vehicle circulation and may force vehicles to make a series of right turns to get to their intended direction. These turn restrictions would not affect the Muni COVID-19 Core service as it would be running in its own designated travel lane and would not be delayed by vehicles, and in addition overall vehicle volumes in the city are currently low due to the mandated Shelter In Place.

Loading

The proposed project would relocate loading zones based on current adjacent land use needs, the need to provide space for transit only lanes (such as on Eddy, Church, Post, Sutter, Mission, Clay, or Sacramento streets), the need to provide space for IV bike ways (such as on Geneva Avenue, Sutter, or Post streets) or a due to daylighting at driveways and intersections. The project would not reduce the number of yellow commercial loading zones.

Passenger loading zones on Eddy, Sutter, Post, Clay, Sacramento, and Mission streets would be relocated as needed to accommodate the new fulltime transit only lanes and class IV bike ways. The project would not reduce the number of white passenger loading zones. Both passenger and commercial loading zones would be relocated across the street if space is available. If there is no space available, then the zones would be relocated to the nearest cross-street.

Parking

The project would remove up to 837 general parking spaces (un-metered and metered) along the length of the corridors listed in Table 1 due to the need to physical space for the transit only lanes and class IV bike ways. Approximately 420 spaces are being converted from a part-time tow-away restriction to being full time. In addition,



approximately 120 general metered parking spaces on Mission Street would have their part-time tow-away restriction removed (allowing parking there at all times), therefore restoring 120 full-time general metered parking spaces. The project would also remove up to 1 non-metered motorcycle space and 2 metered motorcycles spaces.

Emergency Access

All emergency vehicles would be permitted in the temporary transit only and muni/taxi/bicycle only lanes and would not be required to follow the other turn restrictions. This may improve emergency access as emergency vehicles may benefit from being out of vehicle congestion.

The project corridors would be reviewed by the Transportation Advisory Staff Committee (TASC) or COVID-TASC, including representatives from the San Francisco Fire Department prior to project approval.

Construction

These transit only lanes and the Bayshore Boulevard, Post Street, Sutter Street, and Geneva Avenue bikeways would be constructed using materials such as striping, temporary striping, and signage that would be placed to indicate that the lane is for emergency vehicles, buses, and taxis. These lanes would be installed one corridor at a time, with the work ranging from one day to several depending upon the length of the corridor. The proposed improvements would not require any excavation. Any required signage would be limited to modern or standard issue SFMTA street poles/street lamps. Sign installation would not occur on street poles/lights containing sculpted features or historic lights unless the design is also standard issue by SFMTA.

Planned Projects in the Vicinity

Planned projects in the area include the Geary Rapid project, 16th Street Improvement Project, 6th Street Improvement Project, Howard/Folsom Streetscape project, Better Market Street project, Central Subway project, and The Hub Area Plan as well as its associated Draft Public Realm Plan. Given the temporary nature of the proposed COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Transit Only Lanes and COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Bikeways and their limited construction scope, significant cumulative construction or operational impacts are not anticipated. The following projects in the vicinity would be constructed regardless of the proposed Transportation Recovery Plan: COVID-19



Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes and COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Bikeways project.

- The Hub Public Realm Plan is associated with the Hub Area Plan and proposes to establish a functional, attractive, and well-integrated system of public streets to improve the public realm through the streetscape improvements within the plan area. The Hub Public Realm Plan proposes circulation changes to major intersections such as Market Street and Van Ness Avenue as well as Mission Street and South Van Ness Avenue to improve safety. Specific design recommendations for implementing the goals of the Hub Public Realm Plan have been developed for the following streets:
 - 12th Street: Market Street to Mission Street
 - Gough Street: Stevenson Street to Otis Street
 - Mission Street/South Van Ness Avenue intersection
 - South Van Ness Avenue: Mission Street to 13th Street
 - Otis Street: South Van Ness Avenue to Duboce Avenue
 - 13th Street/Duboce Avenue: Folsom Street to Valencia Street
- Geary Rapid project would implement streetscape changes on Geary Street and Boulevard between Market and Stanyan streets, providing for greater transit reliability on the 38/38R Geary Muni routes. This project is under construction and overlaps with the Presidio/Masonic corridor.
- 6th Street Improvement project would implement streetscape changes on 6th Street between Brannan and Market streets, including sidewalk widening, new traffic signals, and improved ADA features. This project will commence construction in December 2020 and overlaps with the Mission Street corridor.
- Better Market Street project would implement streetscape changes on Market St between Octavia Boulevard and Steuart Street. This project overlaps with 7th and 8th streets but the quick build of BMS project was completed in January 2020. Construction on the capital improvements anticipated under Better Market Street is scheduled to begin early 2021.
- Howard/Folsom Improvement would improve bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities between 11th and 2nd streets on these two east-west streets. The project is currently in design with scheduled construction in 2021. The 7th and 8th street corridors cross Howard and Folsom streets.
- The 16th Street Improvement Project would improve transit reliability and travel time along 16th Street between Church and 3rd streets. This project intersects at



the intersection of Potrero Avenue and 16th Street. The project on 16th Street is in its final stages of construction.

- Central Subway project is implementing a new Muni railway line on 4th Street between Caltrain station and Chinatown in a new subway tunnel underneath union square and Chinatown neighborhoods. The project has been under construction since 2011 and is scheduled to be completed at the end of 2020. Mission, Clay, and Sacramento streets pass over the new Central Subway tunnel.

Project Approval:

The SFMTA is seeking approval from the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board (SFMTA Board) for the initial phase of the ETTL project, including temporary transit lanes and various parking and traffic changes associated with the ETTL project (for example, left turn restrictions, adjustments to parking regulations, and changes to the configuration of traffic lanes) for following locations:

- Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard;
- O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly;
- Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street;
- 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street;
- 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street;
- Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard;
- Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive;
- Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; and
- Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard.

As part of the initial phase of the ETTL project, the SFMTA is also seeking approval for the SFMTA Board to delegate its authority to approve emergency temporary transit lanes and tow-away lanes to the Office of the City Traffic Engineer for the rest of the project corridors listed in Table 1 above or in Figure 1 below. The improvements for the remaining corridors are anticipated to consist of similar treatments to those in the initial phase and would address the same purpose under the local health emergency.



Approval Action:

In accordance with Chapter 31.04 of the San Francisco Administrative code, the first Approval Action of the project would be the approval by the SFMTA Board, of the initial phase of the ETTL project and the delegation of authority to approve emergency temporary transit lanes and tow-away lanes to the Office of the City Traffic Engineer for the rest of the project corridors listed in Table 1 above following holding a public hearing for the subsequent locations.

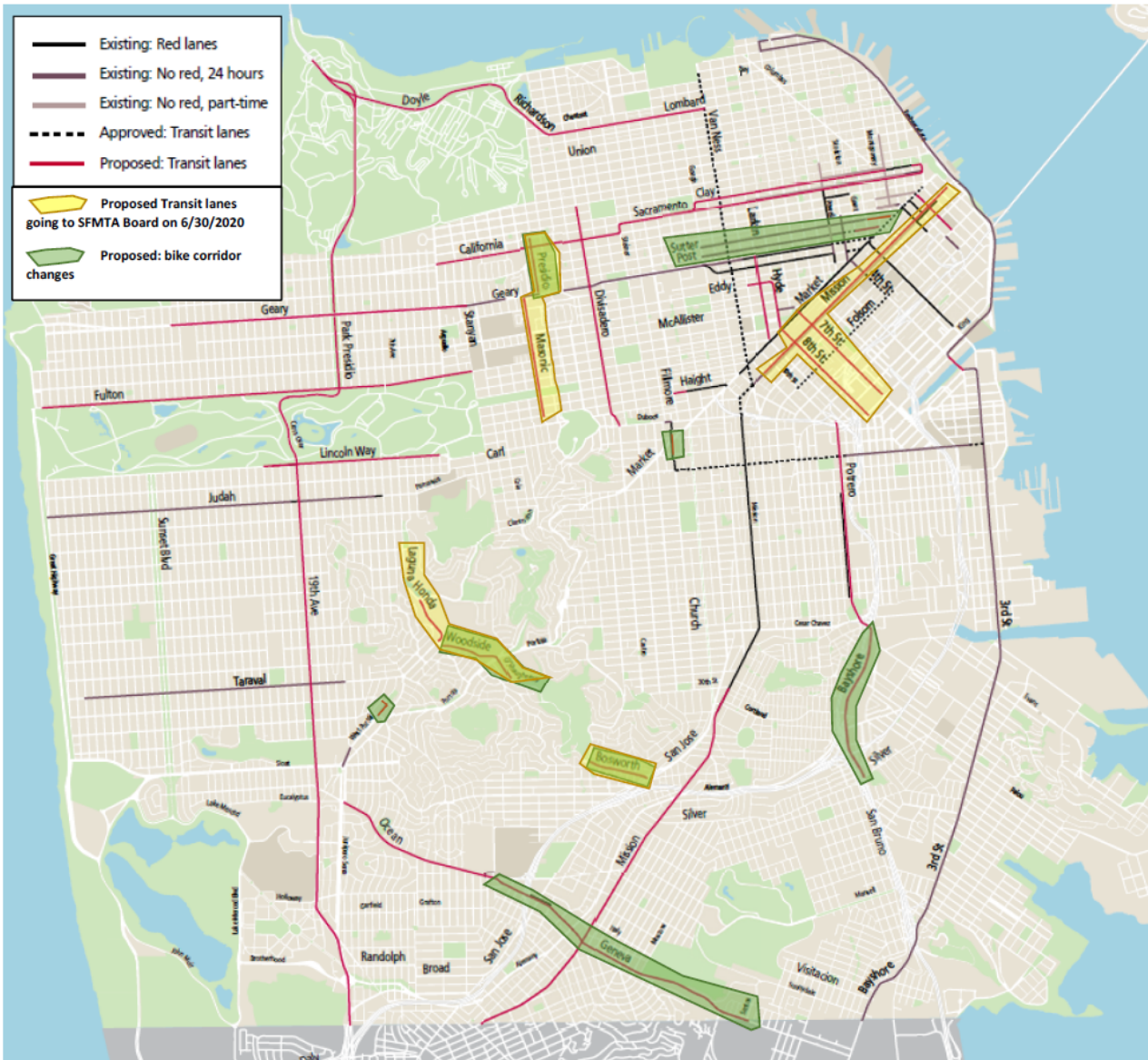


Figure 1: Map of potential proposed emergency temporary transit lane corridors

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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WHEREAS, On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a public health emergency of international concern; on January 31, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency for the United States; and, on February 25, 2020, San Francisco Mayor London Breed, issued a Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency within the City in response to the pandemic (COVID-19 Emergency), and,

WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued guidance to local and state jurisdictions and determined that the virus presents a serious public health threat, requiring coordination among state and local departments to ensure readiness for potential health threats associated with the virus; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH), the Department of Emergency Management, and other City partners have been working successfully to implement CDC guidelines, but now require additional tools and resources to protect the public health given the current state of the epidemic and the need for a sustained response; and

WHEREAS, On March 16, 2020, San Francisco's Health Officer issued a Public Health Order requiring that residents remain in place, with the only exception being for essential needs which significantly impacted San Francisco's multimodal transportation system, and required the SFMTA to reduce transit service per the COVID-19 Muni Core Service Plan, and on May 28, 2020, the Mayor released a plan and timeline, informed by the Economic Recovery Task Force, to safely reopen San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, in response to the COVID-19 Emergency and the City's reopening timeline, developed a Transportation Recovery Plan (TRP) that serves as a framework for temporary improvements to the multimodal transportation system; and,

WHEREAS, The Temporary Emergency Transit Lane (TETL) project, a component of the TRP, would provide temporary bus and taxi only lanes and bus, bicycle and taxi only lanes, which would serve to both reduce travel times and make transit service and essential trips safer and more reliable while also increasing transit service and safer bicycle conditions across the city; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency is committed to making San Francisco a Transit First city; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency has proposed the temporary installation of temporary parking and traffic modifications as a part of the TETL project as follows:

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- A. ESTABLISH - BUS AND TAXI-ONLY LANE - Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard;
- B. ESTABLISH - BUS, TAXI, BICYCLE-ONLY LANE - Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard;
- C. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, north side, from 11th to 9th streets; Mission Street, north from side, from 8th Street to 274 feet easterly; Mission Street, north side, from 6th to 5th streets;
- D. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 7 AM TO 9 AM AND 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, south side, from 9th to 8th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 7th Street to 443 feet westerly; Mission Street, south side, from 7th to 6th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 3rd to 1st streets;
- E. ESTABLISH - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME - Mission Street, south side, from 11th to 9th streets ; Mission Street, north side, from 9th to 8th streets Mission Street, south side, from 8th Street to 363 feet east of 8th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 6th Street to 539 feet west of 7th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 6th Street to 5th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 3rd Street to 1st Street;
- F. ESTABLISH - NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - Masonic Avenue, between Haight Street and Turk Street;
- G. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – Mission Street, north side, from 84 feet to 128 feet east of 11th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 126 feet to 170 feet east of 9th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 323 feet to 343 feet east of 7th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 131 feet to 151 feet west of 6th Street;
- H. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY – Mission Street, south side, from 139 to 161 feet east of Julia Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 84 feet to 218 west of 7th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 78 feet to 98 feet east of 6th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 230 feet to 252 feet east of 6th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 325 to 347 feet east of 6th Street; Mission Street, north side, from Mint Street to 46 feet westerly ; Mission Street, south side, from 38 feet to 98 feet west of New Montgomery Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 46 feet to 69 feet east of New Montgomery Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 30 feet to 50 feet west of 1st Street;
- I. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, 7 AM TO 10 PM, DAILY – Mission Street, north side, from 108 to 196 feet east of 10th Street;
- J. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, AT ALL TIMES - Mission Street, south side, from 105 feet to 126 feet east of 9th Street Mission Street, north side, from 102 feet to 144 feet east of 8th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 161 feet to 216 east of Julia Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 46 feet to 134 west of Mint Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 165 to 222 feet east of 3rd Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 291 feet to 354 feet east of 2nd Street; and,

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WHEREAS, The temporary improvements of the TETL project shall include a thorough and transparent evaluation process to determine the effectiveness of the changes, including soliciting stakeholder feedback, collecting and analyzing safety and performance data, and posting evaluation results on the SFMTA website; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed parking and traffic modifications will be temporary in nature and will expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board temporarily authorizes the City Traffic Engineer, based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity that includes, but is not limited to, meeting specific circumstances set forth in the Transportation Code, to approve temporary transit-only lanes and tow away lanes as delineated on a map to be appended to the Transportation Code, to be in effect during the COVID-19 Emergency, and which shall expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed TETL project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); CEQA provides a statutory exemption from environmental review for emergency projects pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15269; CEQA provides a categorical exemption for operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities, including transit improvements such as bus lanes, pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, On June 10, 2020, the Planning Department determined (Case Number 2020-005472ENV) that the proposed TETL project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15269 and categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and is incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed improvements and has been given the opportunity to comment on those improvements through the public hearing process; and,

WHEREAS, Final SFMTA decisions, whether made by the City Traffic Engineer or the SFMTA Board, can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Ordinance 127-18; and, now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors approves the temporary parking and traffic modifications, as set forth in Items A through J above, as a part of the Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes (TETL) project; and be it further


RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors amends the Transportation Code, Division II, to add Section 602 to designate temporary transit-only areas at the following locations: Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard; Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; and Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard; and be it further

RESOLVED; That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors amends the Transportation Code, Division II, to also add to Section 602 a temporary authorization to the City Traffic Engineer, based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity that includes, but is not limited to, meeting specific circumstances set forth in the Transportation Code, to approve temporary transit-only lanes and tow away lanes as delineated on a map to be appended to the Transportation Code; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all actions approved pursuant to the amendments to the Transportation Code, and parking and traffic modifications approved herein, are to be in effect temporarily during the COVID-19 emergency referenced in the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency dated February 25, 2020 and shall expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of such proclamation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That SFMTA staff shall make a report to the SFMTA Board of Directors 120 days after the conclusion of the COVID-19 Emergency, including evaluation findings and recommendations regarding the approved parking and traffic modifications.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 30, 2020.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

[Transportation Code – Temporary Transit-Only Areas and Tow-Away Zones]

Resolution amending Division II of the Transportation Code to authorize temporary Transit-only lanes to be in effect for the duration of the COVID-19 emergency declared by the Mayor on February 25, 2020 and for 120 days after the termination or expiration of the emergency by: 1) designating Temporary Transit-only Areas (Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O’Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Streets; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Streets; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Streets; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight Street to Geary Boulevard; Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Streets; and Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento Street to Geary Boulevard); (2) providing a map delineating proposed potential Temporary Transit-only Areas; and (3) granting the City Traffic Engineer temporary authority to designate Temporary Transit-only lanes and create associated tow-away zones delineated on the map, after a public hearing.

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The Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors of the City and County of San Francisco enacts the following regulations:

Section 1. Article 200 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by amending Section 201, to read as follows:

SEC. 201. PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING PARKING AND TRAFFIC CONTROLS.

(a) Office of City Traffic Engineer. The position of City Traffic Engineer is established. The City Traffic Engineer shall be an employee of the SFMTA licensed with the State of California as a Civil or Traffic Engineer and designated by the Director of Transportation to exercise the powers and perform the duties of City Traffic Engineer established by this Code. The City Traffic Engineer shall have the authority to:

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(b) Public Hearings. The following Parking and traffic measures may be implemented following a public hearing:

- (1) Locate and install Traffic Calming Devices.
- (2) Designate the location of Stands, the types of vehicles authorized to use such Stands, and the days and hours in which Parking restrictions shall be enforced at any Stand.
- (3) Determine the locations for Parking restrictions designated by painted curb colors in accordance with Vehicle Code Section 21458 and the times that Parking is prohibited in such locations.
- (4) Determine the locations of Truck Loading Zones and the times that Parking is prohibited in that Zone.
- (5) Designate motorcycle Parking Spaces.
- (6) Designate on-street bicycle Parking Spaces for the installation and use of Bicycle Racks and Bicycle Sharing Stations, or to grant a permit for a Stationless Bicycle Share Program. In the event that a temporary relocation of a bicycle parking space, bicycle rack, or bicycle sharing station is necessary to improve safety or traffic operations, or to accommodate construction or roadway maintenance, the Director of Transportation has the

authority to temporarily relocate a bicycle parking space, bicycle rack, or bicycle sharing station prior to holding a public hearing. If the bicycle parking space, bicycle rack, or bicycle sharing station will be temporarily relocated for less than ninety days, no public hearing is required. If the temporary relocation is for ninety days or longer, a public hearing must be held within ninety days following the temporary relocation.

(7) Designate intersections at which right, left, or U turns are prohibited.

(8) Designate intersections at which turns against a red or stop signal are prohibited.

(9) Establish multiple turn lanes where vehicles can make right or left turns from more than one lane.

(10) Designate intersections at which one direction of traffic shall be required to yield to the other.

(11) Designate intersections at which traffic shall be required to stop, or where a required stop is eliminated.

(12) Re-classify existing Class II bike lanes or bikeways to Class IV cycle tracks or bikeway based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity including, but not limited to, the alleviation of traffic congestion and public safety.

(13) Designate Temporary Transit-only Areas and create associated tow-away zones, as authorized in Section 602 of the Transportation Code.

(c) SFMTA Board of Directors' Action Required. The following Parking and traffic measures may not be implemented without a public hearing and prior approval of the SFMTA Board of Directors, taking into consideration the recommendation of the City Traffic Engineer:

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(1) Designate Parking Meter Zones and Streets on which Parking Meters are to be installed in each Parking Meter Zone.

(2) Establish, modify, or eliminate preferential Parking programs in accordance with Vehicle Code §§ 22507 and 22507.1, including the applicable geographical area(s) and the days and hours of applicable Parking restrictions.

(3) Install or remove bicycle lanes. The City Traffic Engineer shall have the authority to re-classify existing Class II bike lanes or bikeways to Class IV cycle tracks or bikeways, following a public hearing, based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity including, but not limited to, the alleviation of traffic congestion and public safety.

(4) Designate one-way Streets.

(5) Designate the location of all bus zones for the use of public transit vehicles.

(6) Set time limits for, and the days and hours of enforcement of, any Parking restriction except for street cleaning Parking restrictions.

(7) Establish or close a crosswalk.

(8) Establish a tow-away zone, except as specified under the authority granted to the City Traffic Engineer in subsection (b)(13) above.

(9) Designate the angle or direction in which vehicles are required to Park on the Street.

(10) Designate locations where Parking by vehicles over 6 feet high is restricted within 100 feet of an intersection.

(11) Establish bus, truck, and weight restrictions on Streets.

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(20) Establish transit only lane regulations, except as specified under the authority granted to the City Traffic Engineer in subsection (b)(13) above.

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Section 2. Article 600 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by adding Section 602 and Appendix A, to read as follows:

SEC. 602. DESIGNATED TEMPORARY TRANSIT-ONLY AREAS AND TOW AWAY ZONES.

(a) The locations listed in this subsection (a) are designated as Temporary Transit-only Areas. For purposes of this Section 602, “Temporary Transit-only Areas” are defined as the locations that are reserved for the use of buses, streetcars, taxis, bicycles, authorized emergency vehicles, vehicles preparing to make a turn, vehicles entering into or exiting from a stopped position at the curb, and/or vehicles entering into or exiting from a driveway vehicles as specified in this subsection (a) and in any determinations made by the City Traffic Engineer to designate such locations as authorized by subsection (b) to reduce the impact of traffic congestion resulting from the COVID-19 emergency referenced in the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency, dated February 25, 2020 (“COVID-19 Emergency”).

(1) Except for buses, taxis, authorized emergency vehicles, vehicles preparing to make a turn, vehicles entering into or exiting from a stopped position at the curb, and vehicles entering into or exiting from a driveway, no vehicle may operate in the following Temporary Transit-only Areas:

(A) Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard;

(B) O’Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly;

(C) Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Streets;

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(D) 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Streets;

(E) 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Streets; and

(F) Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight Street to Geary Boulevard.

(2) Except as to buses, taxis, bicycles, authorized emergency vehicles, vehicles preparing to make a turn, vehicles entering into or exiting from a stopped position at the curb, and vehicles entering into or exiting from a driveway, no vehicle may operate in the Temporary Transit-only Areas on the following corridors:

(A) Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive;

(B) Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Streets;
and

(C) Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento Street to Geary Boulevard.

(b) The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to designate Temporary Transit-only Areas and create associated tow-away zones based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity that includes, but is not limited to, meeting the following criteria, following a public hearing held prior to implementation of a corridor:

(1) the corridor is running transit service, or is reasonably expected to run transit service within 45 days of the determination;

(2) the corridor will be a Temporary Transit-Only Area 24 hours a day/seven days a week if approved;

(3) the corridor is delineated in the color red on the map referenced in Appendix A and is within the boundaries of the City and County of San Francisco as described in said map; and either

(4) the corridor runs bus transit service and

(A) there has been more than a 12% time travel savings for the bus transit service functioning on the corridor between the time preceding the COVID-19 Emergency (February 2020) and during the COVID-19 Emergency (April 2020); and

(B) the proposed Transit-only Area will not remove more than one traffic lane in each direction and will preserve one traffic lane in each direction for uses otherwise authorized; or

(5) the corridor has a Municipal Railway line.

(c) Any vehicle operating within a Temporary Transit-only Area authorized by subsection (a) or designated by the City Traffic Engineer as authorized under subsection (b) above is in violation of the California Vehicle Code or Division I of the Transportation Code, as applicable.

(d) The authorization delegated to the City Traffic Engineer in subsection (b) and all designations of Temporary Transit-only Areas authorized pursuant to this Section 602 shall expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency. The Temporary Transit-only Areas authorized in subsection (a) and any designations of Temporary Transit-only Areas by the City Traffic Engineer under the authority of subsection (b) supersede the designations in Section 601 to the extent there is a conflict between the two sections.

APPENDIX A. CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO MAP.

The attached Map, delineating routes and corridors within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the City and County of San Francisco, is hereby incorporated into the Transportation Code. See Transportation Code, Division II, Sec. 602. Copies of this map shall be available to the public in the Office of the Director of Transportation and in the Office of the Secretary of the SFMTA Board of Directors. This map shall be updated from time to time as necessary to show changes in streets within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the City and County of San Francisco. The updated map will

likewise be a part of, and incorporated into, the Transportation Code and available to the public at the above-designated locations.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. Except as to the map contained in Appendix A to Section 602 of the Transportation Code, in enacting this ordinance, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, letters, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Transportation Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions or deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 31 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves this ordinance.

Section 5. Expiration. This ordinance shall expire by operation of law 120 days after the termination or expiration of the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency, dated February 25, 2020. Upon the expiration of this ordinance, the City Attorney shall cause this ordinance to be removed from the Transportation Code or to the extent the City Attorney deems appropriate shall prepare an ordinance to that effect for consideration by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: _____
JULIE VEIT
Deputy City Attorney

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RESOLUTION NO. 200630-062

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 30, 2020.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency



**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND
PARKING AUTHORITY COMMISSION**

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND CALENDAR

Tuesday, June 30, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 health emergency and to protect our Board Members, SFMTA staff, and members of the public, the Board's Meeting Room (Room 400) is closed.

Members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely. If you want to ensure your comment on any item on the agenda is received by the Board in advance of the meeting, please send an email to MTABoard@sfmta.com by 5pm on Monday, June 15 or call (415) 646-4470. Please see the information on the next page for remote meeting access.

**SPECIAL MEETING
1 P.M.**

SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gwyneth Borden, Chair
Amanda Eaken, Vice Chair
Cheryl Brinkman
Steve Heminger

Jeffrey Tumlin
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer
SECRETARY

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1. When prompted, dial “1 - 0” to be added to the speaker line. The auto-prompt will indicate callers are entering “Question and Answer” time, but this is the “Public Comment” period.
2. When prompted, callers will have two minutes to provide comment.

ACCESSIBLE MEETING POLICY


The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors/Parking Authority Commission meeting will be held virtually due to the public health emergency.

To obtain a disability-related accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, or to obtain meeting materials in alternative format, please contact Roberta Boomer at (415) 646-4470. Providing at least 72 hours' notice will help to ensure availability. Written reports or background materials for calendar items are available for public inspection and copying at 1 South Van Ness Ave 7th floor during regular business hours and are available online at www.sfmta.com/board. Public comment will be taken on each item before or during consideration of the item.

To assist the City's efforts to accommodate persons with severe allergies, environmental illnesses, multiple chemical sensitivity or related disabilities, attendees at public meetings are reminded that other attendees may be sensitive to various chemical based products. Please help the City to accommodate these individuals.

The ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at this meeting. Please be advised that the Chair may order the removal from the meeting room of any person(s) responsible for the ringing or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-producing electronic devices.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

 415.646.4470: For free interpretation services, please submit your request 48 hours in advance of meeting./Para sa librang serbisyo sa interpretasyon, kailangan mag-request 48 oras bago ang miting./Para servicios de interpretación gratuitos, por favor haga su petición 48 horas antes de la reunión./如果需要免費口語翻譯，請於會議之前48小時提出要求。Đóí với dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí, vui lòng gửi yêu cầu của bạn 48 giờ trước cuộc họp./ Для бесплатных услуг устного перевода просьба представить ваш запрос за 48 часов до начала собрания./ Pour les services d'interprétation gratuits, veuillez soumettre votre demande 48 heures avant la réunion./ 무료 통역 서비스를 원하시면 회의 48 시간 전에 귀하의 요청을 제출하십시오./ 無料通訳サービスをご希望の場合は、会議の48時間前までにリクエストを提出してください。/บริการให้ความช่วยเหลือในหลายภาษาด้านภาษาฟรี ณ ที่ประชุมโดยต้องแจ้งล่วงหน้า 48 ชั่วโมง/ يمكن تقديم مساعدة لغوية مجانية في الاجتماع على أن يتم طلب هذه الخدمة قبل الاجتماع بفترة 48 ساعة.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Announcement of prohibition of sound producing devices during the meeting.
4. Approval of Minutes
 - June 16, 2020 Regular Meeting
5. Communications
6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members
7. Director's Report (For discussion only)
 - Ongoing Activities
8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS BEFORE THE SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION AS STATED BY THE SFMTA DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OR CITY ATTORNEY WHERE APPLICABLE. EXPLANATORY DOCUMENTS FOR ALL CALENDAR ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT 1 SOUTH VAN NESS AVE. 7th FLOOR.

REGULAR CALENDAR

9. Approving the FY 2021 and FY 2022 revised Operating Budget in the amounts of \$1,251.8 million and \$1,281.1 million respectively for operating expenditures; \$248.3 million and \$111.5 million respectively for capital expenditures; \$2.3 million and \$2.3 million respectively to supplement the existing general liability reserve; and \$15.5 million and \$18.7 million respectively for a new Board Operating Reserve; certifying that the FY 2021 and FY 2022 revised Operating Budget is adequate in making substantial progress towards meeting performance standards; authorizing changes to various fines, fees, fares, rates, and charges, including a waiver of taxi fees, reducing the low-income boot removal fee, creating a new one-time waiver of boot removal for individuals experiencing homelessness, and establishing reduced tow fees for low-income individuals and individuals experiencing homelessness with an operative date of January 4, 2021 with the exception of (1) parking meter rates including rates for special events, Sunday and evening parking enforcement, and demand responsive parking meter caps, (2) SFMTA and Parking Authority garage rates and fees, and (3) waiving taxi permit fees; which will all be effective on July 1, 2020; and (4) vehicle boot removal fee, (5) vehicle towing, towing subcontract, lien, auction, and storage fees, and (6) community service plan processing fees, which will be effective on August 1, 2020; approving the SFMTA's Title VI Fare Equity Analysis for the fare changes; amending Transportation Code Division II to include various rate, fare, fine and fee increases and decreases; waiving all taxi permit fees, and adding new one-time boot removal fee for

individuals experiencing homelessness, tow fees for low-income and HSH-approved individuals experiencing homelessness, ISCOTT permit fee for Community Events, and color curb renewal fee; approving the Title VI analysis; approving a waiver of fares on New Year's Eve 2021, and on New Year's Eve 2022; authorizing the Director to implement short-term experimental fares; retroactively waiving taxi driver permit renewal fees; concurring with the Controller's certification that parking citation processing and collection services; facility security services; paratransit services; parking meter collection and coin counting services; transit shelter maintenance services; and vehicle towing, storage and disposal services can be practically performed by private contractors at a lesser cost than to provide the same services with City employees; and authorizing the Director to make necessary corrections to the revised Operating Budget. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, analysis, budget, amendment, rate changes and resolution.)

10. Amending the Transportation Code, Division II, to add Section 602 to designate temporary transit-only areas at: Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard; Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; and Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard; to also add to Section 602 a temporary authorization to the City Traffic Engineer to approve temporary transit-only lanes and tow away lanes; and approving temporary parking and traffic modifications as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH - BUS AND TAXI-ONLY LANE - Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard
- B. ESTABLISH - BUS, TAXI, BICYCLE-ONLY LANE - Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard
- C. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, north side, from 11th to 9th streets; Mission Street, north side, from 8th Street to 274 feet easterly; Mission Street, north side, from 6th to 5th streets
- D. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 7 AM TO 9 AM AND 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, south side, from 9th to 8th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 7th Street to 443 feet westerly; Mission Street, south side, from 7th to 6th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 3rd to 1st streets
- E. ESTABLISH - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME - Mission Street, south side, from 11th to 9th streets; Mission Street, north side, from 9th to 8th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 8th Street to 363 feet east of 8th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 6th Street to 539 feet west of 7th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 6th Street to 5th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 3rd Street to 1st Street
- F. ESTABLISH - NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - Masonic Avenue, between Haight Street and Ewing Terrace
- G. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, north side, from 84 feet to 128 feet east of 11th Street;

Mission Street, south side, from 126 feet to 170 feet east of 9th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 323 feet to 343 feet east of 7th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 131 feet to 151 feet west of 6th Street

- H. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY – Mission Street, south side, from 139 to 161 feet east of Julia Street; Mission Street, south side, from 84 feet to 218 west of 7th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 78 feet to 98 feet east of 6th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 230 feet to 252 feet east of 6th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 325 to 347 feet east of 6th Street; Mission St., north side, from Mint Street to 46 feet westerly; Mission Street, south side, from 38 feet to 98 feet west of New Montgomery Street; Mission Street, south side, from 46 feet to 69 feet east of New Montgomery Street; Mission Street, south side, from 30 feet to 50 feet west of 1st Street;
- I. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, 7 AM TO 10 PM, DAILY – Mission Street, north side, from 108 to 196 feet east of 10th Street
- J. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, AT ALL TIMES - Mission Street, south side, from 105 feet to 126 feet east of 9th Street Mission Street, north side, from 102 feet to 144 feet east of 8th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 161 feet to 216 east of Julia Street; Mission Street, north side, from 46 feet to 134 west of Mint Street; Mission Street, south side, from 165 to 222 feet east of 3rd Street; Mission Street, south side, from 291 feet to 354 feet east of 2nd Street. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, amendments and resolution.)

ADJOURN

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Appeal Rights under S.F. Admin. Code Chapter 31: For identified Approval Actions, the Planning Department or the SFMTA has issued a CEQA exemption determination or negative declaration, which may be viewed online at the Planning Department's website. Following approval of the item by the SFMTA Board, the CEQA determination is subject to appeal within the time frame specified in S.F. Administrative Code Section 31.16 which is typically within 30 calendar days. For information on filing a CEQA appeal, contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102, or call (415) 554-5184. Under CEQA, in a later court challenge, a litigant may be limited to raising only those issues previously raised at a hearing on the project or submitted in writing to the City prior to or at such hearing, or as part of the appeal hearing process on the CEQA decision.

Board of Supervisors review of certain SFMTA Decisions: Certain parking and traffic modifications as well as Private Transportation Programs that involve certain parking modifications can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. These decisions are subject to review within 30 calendar days after they are made by the SFMTA Board of Directors. For information on requesting a review, contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102, call (415) 554-5184. Ordinance No. 127-18 specifying which SFMTA decisions are reviewable by the Board of Supervisors can be accessed on-line: <https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/o0127-18.pdf>.

The Ethics Commission of the City and County of San Francisco has asked us to remind individuals and entities that influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action may be required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [S.F. Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code section 2.100 et seq.] to register and report lobbying activity. For more information about the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the Ethics Commission at 415.581.2300; fax: 415.581.2317; 25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 220, SF, CA 94102-6027 or the web site: sfgov.org/ethics.

If you wish to contact the Board regarding an item that is expected to be on a agenda, please email the Board at MTABoard@sfmta.com. Please know that the Board appreciates receiving such communication not later than Monday, the day before the meeting so they have time to review and consider the comments prior to the meeting.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE

Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decision in full view of the public. Commissions, boards, councils and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the people's business. This ordinance assures that deliberations are conducted before the people and that City operations are open to the people's review. For more information on your rights under the Sunshine Ordinance or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact Administrator, by mail to Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco CA 94102-4689; by phone at 415.554.7724; by fax at 415.554.7854; or by email at sotf@sfgov.org.

Copies of the Sunshine Ordinance can be obtained from the Clerk of the Sunshine Task Force, the San Francisco Public Library and on the City's website at sfgov.org.

THIS PRINT COVERS CALENDAR ITEM NO.: 10

**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY**

DIVISION: Transit

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

Approving temporary parking and traffic modifications, including designating transit-only lanes on nine corridors, turn restrictions, and parking removal as part of the initial phase of the Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes (TETL) project to reduce the impact of traffic congestion on essential transit services resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic as referenced in the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency dated February 25, 2020 (COVID-19 Emergency); and amending Division II of the Transportation Code to designate temporary transit-only lanes on nine corridors, temporarily authorize the City Traffic Engineer to designate additional temporary transit-only lanes and create associated tow away areas as delineated on a map appended to the Transportation Code after a public hearing and under specific circumstances, and mandate that all such designations and approvals be in effect only until 120 days after the conclusion of the COVID-19 Emergency.

SUMMARY:

- In response to the COVID-19 Emergency, the SFMTA is implementing the TETL project to reduce the impact of congestion resulting from increased vehicle usage.
- Approving the proposed parking and traffic modifications and amending the Transportation Code will accelerate the TETL project, including temporarily authorizing the City Traffic Engineer to approve temporary transit lanes and tow-away lanes under specific circumstances.
- TETL projects will be in effect until 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency and will be removed unless the SFMTA Board takes further action.
- The Planning Department has determined that the proposed TETL project is statutorily and categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.
- Certain items listed below with a “#” are final SFMTA decisions, as defined by Ordinance 127-18, that can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Information about the review process can be found at sfbos.org/sites/default/files/SFMTA_Action_Review_Info_Sheet.pdf

ENCLOSURES:

1. SFMTAB Resolution
2. Transportation Code, Division II Amendment

APPROVALS:

DATE

DIRECTOR  _____

June 24, 2020

SECRETARY  _____

June 24, 2020

ASSIGNED SFMTAB CALENDAR DATE: June 30, 2020

PURPOSE

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STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND TRANSIT FIRST POLICY PRINCIPLES

The proposed project will support the following goals and objectives of the SFMTA Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Create a safer transportation experience for everyone.

Objective 1.1: Achieve Vision Zero by eliminating all traffic deaths.

Objective 1.2: Improve the safety of the transit system.

Goal 2: Make transit and other sustainable modes of transportation the most attractive and preferred means of travel.

Objective 2.1: Improve transit service.

Objective 2.2: Enhance and expand use of the city's sustainable modes of transportation.

Objective 2.3: Manage congestion and parking demand to support the Transit First Policy.

Goal 3: Improve the quality of life and environment in San Francisco and the region.

Objective 3.1: Use agency programs and policies to advance San Francisco's commitment to equity.

Objective 3.2: Advance policies and decisions in support of sustainable transportation and land use principles.

Objective 3.4: Provide environmental stewardship to improve air quality, enhance resource efficiency, and address climate change.

Objective 3.5: Achieve financial stability for the agency.

This item will support the following Transit First Policy Principles:

1. To ensure quality of life and economic health in San Francisco, the primary objective of the transportation system must be the safe and efficient movement of people and goods.
2. Public transit, including taxis and vanpools, is an economically and environmentally sound alternative to transportation by individual automobiles. Within San Francisco, travel by public transit, by bicycle and on foot must be an attractive alternative to travel by private automobile.

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3. Decisions regarding the use of limited public street and sidewalk space shall encourage the use of public rights of way by pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transit, and shall strive to reduce traffic and improve public health and safety.
4. Transit priority improvements, such as designated transit lanes and streets and improved signalization, shall be made to expedite the movement of public transit vehicles (including taxis and vanpools) and to improve pedestrian safety.
5. Bicycling shall be promoted by encouraging safe streets for riding, convenient access to transit, bicycle lanes, and secure bicycle parking.
6. Parking policies for areas well served by public transit shall be designed to encourage travel by public transit and alternative transportation.
7. New transportation investment should be allocated to meet the demand for public transit generated by new public and private commercial and residential developments.
8. The ability of the City and County to reduce traffic congestion depends on the adequacy of regional public transportation. The City and County shall promote the use of regional mass transit and the continued development of an integrated, reliable, regional public transportation system.

DESCRIPTION

On March 16, 2020, San Francisco's Health Officer issued a Public Health Order in response to the COVID-19 Emergency, requiring that residents shelter in place, with the only exception being for essential needs. This significantly impacted San Francisco's transit system and required the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to reduce transit service. Specifically, the health order and the impacts of COVID-19 Emergency reduced both the supply and demand of transit service and other mobility services. In particular, the available transit operator workforce was decreased due to increased operator leave due to health and safety concerns and the elimination of overtime. Transit vehicle availability was also decreased due to increased cleaning requirements, leading to an approximately 30 percent reduction in service compared to the scheduled service hours in February 2020. In addition, individual transit vehicles are generally only able to carry one-third as many passengers as they could prior to the COVID-19 Emergency due to physical distancing requirements. As a result, people making essential trips who must use Muni have had access to fewer lines, with reduced frequency and capacity.

During the COVID-19 Emergency, traffic volumes have generally been lower than they were previously. As a result, Muni travel times have decreased by about 15% systemwide in the peak period. This has allowed buses to provide more frequent service with the same number of vehicles, which has helped to partially mitigate the effect of reduced operator availability and vehicle capacity. Notably, where the SFMTA has dedicated transit lanes, there was generally very little travel time savings post-COVID-19, because transit was already protected from traffic congestion. As traffic returns, transit service frequency across the City will be reduced further unless the SFMTA takes measures to protect transit from traffic congestion. Initial data from the Bay Bridge suggest that while transit ridership dropped roughly 90%, vehicle volumes only dropped 70% and has now grown 30% since April 2020. Vehicle traffic is returning faster than transit ridership and cities that are slightly ahead of us with the COVID-19 Emergency, such as Taipei, Shanghai, and Seoul, have seen massive increases in traffic congestion as people with means will choose to use their personal vehicles instead of riding transit.

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Since the adoption of the health order, the SFMTA has developed the Transportation Recovery Plan (TRP) and the Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes (TETL) project in close coordination with key stakeholders, public officials, members of the public and the Economic Recovery Task Force. The SFMTA proposes to implement an initial phase of the TETL project, a component of the TRP, which will create limited and temporary bus and taxi only lanes (some of which would also allow bicycles) in order to prevent essential Muni and taxi trips from being delayed in anticipated surging congestion and prevent gridlock for transit service as the City reopens. These temporary dedicated lanes facilitate higher frequency, more efficient transit service in order to allow transit riders to maintain social distancing. They will also reduce passengers' risk of exposure to COVID-19 through shorter Muni trips, by allowing Muni vehicles to avoid traffic delays. The proposed action also responds directly to the COVID-19 Emergency by creating temporary dedicated lanes for transit as well as emergency vehicles in order to safely transport patients, essential workers, and disaster service workers.

To help expedite the delivery of the TETL project, the SFMTA seeks authority to implement temporary transit-only lanes by:

- Approving a list of nine corridors on which the SFMTA can install temporary, reversible and/or adjustable parking and traffic modifications including signs, transit-only lanes, bus/taxi-only lanes, bus/taxi/bike-only lanes, left-turn restrictions, adjustments to parking regulations, and traffic lane configuration changes.
- Amending Division II of the Transportation Code to designate the nine temporary transit-only areas noted above.
- Amending Division II of the Transportation Code to delegate temporary authority to the City Traffic Engineer to approve temporary transit-only lanes and tow-away lanes as delineated on a map appended to the Transportation Code (Enclosure 2, Appendix A, after a public hearing, and based on specific circumstances.

All of the above approvals and actions would be limited in duration and expire 120 days following the expiration or termination of the COVID-19 Emergency, unless the SFMTA Board takes action prior to the expiration.

To safely create the temporary transit-only lanes under the TETL project, it is necessary to include associated left-turn restrictions and parking modifications. Given that the proposed legislation is temporary in nature, the proposed installation is intended to serve as an key phase of public outreach, by allowing community members to experience and evaluate the changes on a temporary basis.

Transit-Only Lanes:

To support transit reliability, shorten transit travel times, and improve safety conditions in light of reduced capacity on Muni buses and increasing congestion, the SFMTA proposes to install additional temporary transit-only lanes on project corridors throughout the City, which would allow for future modifications to the COVID-19 Core Service Plan to increase coverage across the City and connect to additional essential services while minimizing the effects of congestion on transit service. In addition, there will also be turn restrictions at certain high-turn locations where a turn pocket is infeasible in order to provide for optimized traffic throughput and for traffic safety in support of the City's Vision Zero policy. The proposed TETL project would approve installation of, and amend

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Division II of the Transportation Code to designate, temporary transit-only lanes on the following corridors:

- Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard
- O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly
- Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Streets (making the current part-time transit-only lanes full-time)
- 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Streets
- 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Streets
- Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard

In addition, the proposed TETL project would approve the installation of, and amend Division II of the Transportation Code to designate, temporary bus/taxi/bicycle-only lanes on the following three corridors where an existing class III bicycle facility already exists:

- Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive;
- Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Streets;
- Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard;

All of the proposed changes would be made with signs and paint that are easily reversible should permanent legislation not be adopted. In order for these proposed lanes to become permanent, additional CEQA, public outreach, and SFMTA Board approval would be required.

Conversion of part-time tow-away lanes:

The proposed temporary parking and traffic modifications in the initial phase of the TETL project would convert the part-time tow-away restrictions to tow-away no stopping anytime on the following street segment in order to provide the required space for a 24/7 transit-only lane:

Mission Street, on one side of the street, from 11th to 1st Streets

The opposite side of Mission Street, where no parking is to be removed, will have the existing part-time tow-away restriction rescinded so that parking and loading will be allowed all day. This will allow residents and businesses to retain more parking during peak hours than in existing conditions where there is no parking allowed on both sides of the street during peak hours. The following parking removal will be necessary as part of the proposed project approvals: 91 general metered parking spaces and 49 un-metered spaces. Thirty-one metered yellow loading zones and 12 white zones will be relocated to adjacent streets (roughly one block away).

Proposed Project Parking and Traffic Modifications

SFMTA staff proposes that the SFMTA Board approve the following temporary parking and traffic modifications associated with the TETL project at various locations throughout the City, which will expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency:

- A. ESTABLISH - BUS AND TAXI ONLY LANE - Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to

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- Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard;
- B. ESTABLISH - BUS, TAXI, BICYCLE ONLY LANE - Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard;
- C. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, north side, from 11th to 9th streets; Mission Street, north side, from 8th Street to 274 feet easterly; Mission Street, north side, from 6th to 5th streets;
- D. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 7 AM TO 9 AM AND 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, south side, from 9th to 8th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 7th Street to 443 feet westerly; Mission Street, south side, from 7th to 6th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 3rd to 1st streets
- E. ESTABLISH - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME - Mission Street, south side, from 11th to 9th streets (transit-only lane; removes 21 general metered parking spaces, 2 yellow metered spaces, 1 white zone); Mission Street, north side, from 9th to 8th streets (transit-only lane; removes 12 general metered parking spaces, 1 yellow metered space, 4 white zones); Mission Street, south side, from 8th Street to 363 feet east of 8th Street (transit-only lane; removes 8 general metered parking spaces, 1 yellow metered space, 2 white zones); Mission Street, north side, from 6th Street to 539 feet west of 7th Street (transit-only lane; removes 25 general metered parking spaces, 6 yellow metered spaces, 2 white zones); Mission Street, south side, from 6th Street to 5th Street (transit-only lane; removes 16 general metered parking spaces, 5 yellow metered spaces, 2 white zones); Mission Street, north side, from 3rd Street to 1st Street (transit-only lane; removes 27 general metered parking spaces, 5 yellow metered spaces, 5 white zones);
- F. ESTABLISH - NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - Masonic Avenue, between Haight Street and Ewing Terrace
- G. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – Mission Street, north side, from 84 feet to 128 feet east of 11th Street (converts 2 general metered spaces, 1430 and 1428) #; Mission Street, south side, from 126 feet to 170 feet east of 9th Street (converts 2 general metered spaces, 1247 and 1245) #; Mission Street, south side, from 323 feet to 343 feet east of 7th Street (converts a general metered space, 1057) #; Mission Street, south side, from 131 feet to 151 feet west of 6th Street (converts a general metered space, 1017) #;
- H. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY – Mission Street, south side, from 139 to 161 feet east of Julia Street (converts 1 general metered space, 1145) #; Mission Street, south side, from 84 feet to 218 west of 7th Street (converts 5 general metered spaces, 1111, 1117, 1119, 1121, 1123) #; Mission Street, north side, from 78 feet to 98 feet east of 6th Street (converts a general metered space, 986) #; Mission Street, north side, from 230 feet to 252 feet east of 6th Street (converts a general metered space, 968) #; Mission Street, north side, from 325 to 347 feet east of 6th Street (converts a general metered space, 958) #; Mission Street, north side, from Mint Street to 46 feet westerly (converts 2 general metered spaces, 936 and 934) #; Mission Street, south side, from 38 feet to 98 feet west of New Montgomery Street (converts 3 general metered spaces, 641, 643, 645) #; Mission Street, south side, from 46 feet to 69 feet east of New Montgomery Street (converts a general metered space, 617) #; Mission Street, south side, from 30 feet to 50 feet west of 1st Street (converts a general metered space, 503) #;

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- I. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, 7 AM TO 10 PM, DAILY – Mission Street, north side, from 108 to 196 feet east of 10th Street (converts 4 general metered spaces, 1332, 1330, 1328, and 1326) #;
- J. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, AT ALL TIMES - Mission Street, south side, from 105 feet to 126 feet east of 9th Street (converts one general metered space, 1249) #; Mission Street, north side, from 102 feet to 144 feet east of 8th Street (converts 2 general metered spaces, 1182 and 1180) #; Mission Street, south side, from 161 feet to 216 east of Julia Street (converts 2 general metered spaces, 1143 and 1139) #; Mission Street, north side, from 46 feet to 134 west of Mint Street (converts 2 general metered spaces, 938 and 950) #; Mission Street, south side, from 165 to 222 feet east of 3rd Street (converts 2 general metered spaces, 673 and 669) #; Mission Street, south side, from 291 feet to 354 feet east of 2nd Street (converts 3 general metered spaces, 561, 557, 555) #

Temporary Delegation of Authority to approve transit-only lanes and tow-away lanes to the City Traffic Engineer:

Given the need to relieve traffic congestion as businesses reopen and help passengers reach essential services safely, there is an urgent need to quickly implement a suite of necessary pandemic-related street changes. To expedite these changes, staff recommends that the SFMTA Board also amend the Transportation Code to temporarily authorize the City Traffic Engineer to designate temporary transit-only lanes and create associated tow-away zones in corridors delineated on a map appended to the Transportation Code to reduce traffic congestion resulting from the COVID-19 Emergency. This authorization would be for the duration of the COVID-19 Emergency and up to 120 days after the conclusion of the emergency, and would be based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity that includes, but is not limited to, meeting the following criteria:

- A public hearing must be held before implementation of a corridor in order to gather feedback from local stakeholders, residents, and neighborhood and merchant groups.
- The street on which the Muni service is operating has seen more than a 12% peak time travel savings between pre-COVID-19 (February 2020) and COVID-19 (April 2020) or is on a Muni rail line.
- The street has current Muni service or is expected to within the 45 days of the determination.
- The corridor will not remove more than one traffic lane in each direction and will preserve one traffic lane in each direction for uses otherwise authorized, or the corridor has a Muni rail line.
- The maximum extent of all potential corridors has to be delineated on a map that will be appended to, and incorporated into, the proposed Section 602 of the Transportation Code as Appendix A.
- The proposed transit-only lanes would be in effect 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

SFMTA Board approval of the proposed Transportation Code amendments will significantly shorten the project approval phase of implementing certain limited transit-only lanes and associated tow-away zones, resulting in expedited implementation that will reduce traffic congestion and provide safer transit options during the pandemic by increasing transit frequency and reducing on-board crowding as well as reducing the amount of time transit riders must spend on board.

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Should the proposed action be approved, the SFMTA intends to continue to maintain an updated list of upcoming TETL projects going forward, including informational presentations and/or approval actions by the SFMTA Board as appropriate.

Public Hearing:

As noted, amending the Transportation Code will authorize the City Traffic Engineer to implement certain traffic and parking modifications listed in the Transportation Code legislation following a public hearing. The public will be notified of the public hearing at which the proposed parking and traffic modifications by (1) a posting on at least two utility poles in the affected area for no less than ten calendar days prior to the hearing, and (2) via the SFMTA website consistent with Transportation Code requirements.

Construction and Evaluation:

For the proposed TETL project, construction and evaluation will occur over the period of the COVID-19 Emergency and for a period up to 120 days after the conclusion of the emergency. During this time, SFMTA staff will conduct thorough and transparent evaluations, including soliciting stakeholder feedback, measuring healthy and safety benefits, economic health, equity, neighborhood impacts, traffic safety, impacts to other road users, and transit performance. Results from the TETL project corridor evaluations will be publicized on the SFMTA website and SFMTA will report to the SFMTA Board of Directors 120 days after the conclusion of the COVID-19 Emergency, including evaluation findings and recommendations regarding the approved parking and traffic modifications.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Given the COVID-19 Emergency, SFMTA staff have had to rethink and develop a new way to engage with people. As these lanes are temporary in nature, the majority of the stakeholder engagement will happen after implementation, which will allow people to experience the impacts before providing feedback about the changes. The SFMTA will employ a suite of updated engagement options such as text message surveys, online meetings, website updates, phone banking, and other measures during our evaluation process to ensure particularly that engagement with marginalized communities is prioritized.

Additional public outreach and engagement will continue to inform the community about the temporary measures, as well as involve them in the evaluation of these measures to ensure that they align with San Francisco's economic recovery and policy values. The process will include multi-lingual communications such as notices at bus stops, social media posts, continued engagement with neighborhood groups, a public perception survey, and a dedicated project email address and phone number to facilitate additional stakeholder engagement. Initial stakeholder engagement has occurred at series of recent public meetings, including the May 19, 2020 SFMTA Board meeting, the June 2, 2020 SFMTA Board meeting, the June 6, 2020 SFMTA Citizens' Advisory Committee, and the June 23, 2020 San Francisco County Transportation Authority Board meeting. Many people were in support of the project but stressed that proper, thorough outreach has to be done, in particular to communities of concern, even with the shelter in place orders. Stakeholder engagement has also involved numerous meetings with various advocacy groups, Supervisor offices, and members of business, merchant and neighborhood groups. As a result of these meetings, the list of initial

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corridors proposed for legislation was reduced from 15 to nine to reflect concerns raised. The proposed project has also been vetted and informed by consultation with partner agencies via the Emergency Operations Center. The community was also informed of the proposal through on-site public notices for the nine initial corridors, a website, and blog posts. A mailing list of community stakeholders was also developed and used to send email updates.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The alternative to the TETL project is to not pursue temporary emergency transit-only lanes. If the proposed changes are not implemented, increasing congestion will lead to reduced transit service frequency and increased crowding on Muni. This would put riders at greater risk of exposure to COVID-19 and would slow down the City's economic recovery by failing to provide adequate transit service, leading to increased congestion and gridlock on the City's streets. Staff also considered seeking approval for additional transit-only lanes at the June 30, 2020 SFMTA Board meeting, but instead elected to adopt a phased approach to approval. This decision was based on feedback from community stakeholders and due to the need to further perform stakeholder engagement and create evaluation metrics prior to expanding the project to additional locations.

FUNDING IMPACT

The initial phase components of the TETL project would cost approximately \$250,000. Since the designation of these transit-only lanes would benefit not only Muni service that is transporting essential workers, but more importantly emergency services such as paramedics, police department personnel, and fire department personnel, this project will use Transit Reliability Spot Improvement funds. Staff will be seeking Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and State reimbursement as it responds and facilitates the City's COVID-19 response during the pandemic. If these lanes are not constructed and given the impending financial crisis due the COVID-19 Emergency, there would likely need to be a 10% Muni service cut due to the additional travel time and reduced capacity needed to provide service on congested roadways and to provide for proper social distancing in a post COVID-19 era. In short, any service reductions would restrict the number of potential riders which would ultimately impact revenue.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposed TETL project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CEQA provides a statutory exemption from environmental review for emergency projects pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15269. CEQA provides a categorical exemption for operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities, including transit improvements such as bus lanes, pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301.

On June 10, 2020, the Planning Department determined (Case Number 2020-005472ENV) that the proposed TETL project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15269 and categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the

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California Code of Regulations Section 15301. A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco and is incorporated herein by reference.

The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.

A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and is incorporated herein by reference.

OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED

The City Attorney's Office has reviewed this item. No additional approvals are required.

Certain final SFMTA decisions, whether made by the City Traffic Engineer or the SFMTA Board, can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Ordinance 127-18. Information about the review process can be found at http://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/SFMTA_Action_Review_Info_Sheet.pdf. SFMTA staff have determined that items G-J are such final SFMTA decisions.

RECOMMENDATION

SFMTA staff recommends that the SFMTA Board of Directors approve temporary parking and traffic modifications, including designating transit-only lanes on nine corridors, turn restrictions, and parking removal as part of the initial phase of the Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes (TETL) project to reduce the impact of traffic congestion on essential transit services resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic as referenced in the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency dated February 25, 2020 (COVID-19 Emergency); and amending Division II of the Transportation Code to designate temporary transit-only lanes on nine corridors, temporarily authorize the City Traffic Engineer to designate additional temporary transit-only lanes and create associated tow away areas as delineated on a map appended to the Transportation Code after a public hearing and under specific circumstances, and mandate that all such designations and approvals be in effect only until 120 days after the conclusion of the COVID-19 Emergency.

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. _____

WHEREAS, On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a public health emergency of international concern; on January 31, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency for the United States; and, on February 25, 2020, San Francisco Mayor London Breed, issued a Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency within the City in response to the pandemic (COVID-19 Emergency), and,

WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued guidance to local and state jurisdictions and determined that the virus presents a serious public health threat, requiring coordination among state and local departments to ensure readiness for potential health threats associated with the virus; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH), the Department of Emergency Management, and other City partners have been working successfully to implement CDC guidelines, but now require additional tools and resources to protect the public health given the current state of the epidemic and the need for a sustained response; and

WHEREAS, On March 16, 2020, San Francisco's Health Officer issued a Public Health Order requiring that residents remain in place, with the only exception being for essential needs which significantly impacted San Francisco's multimodal transportation system, and required the SFMTA to reduce transit service per the COVID-19 Muni Core Service Plan, and on May 28, 2020, the Mayor released a plan and timeline, informed by the Economic Recovery Task Force, to safely reopen San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, in response to the COVID-19 Emergency and the City's reopening timeline, developed a Transportation Recovery Plan (TRP) that serves as a framework for temporary improvements to the multimodal transportation system; and,

WHEREAS, The Temporary Emergency Transit Lane (TETL) project, a component of the TRP, would provide temporary bus and taxi only lanes and bus, bicycle and taxi only lanes, which would serve to both reduce travel times and make transit service and essential trips safer and more reliable while also increasing transit service and safer bicycle conditions across the city; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency is committed to making San Francisco a Transit First city; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency has proposed the temporary installation of temporary parking and traffic modifications as a part of the TETL project as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH - BUS AND TAXI-ONLY LANE - Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard;
- B. ESTABLISH - BUS, TAXI, BICYCLE-ONLY LANE - Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard;
- C. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, north side, from 11th to 9th streets; Mission Street, north from side, from 8th Street to 274 feet easterly; Mission Street, north side, from 6th to 5th streets;
- D. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 7 AM TO 9 AM AND 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, south side, from 9th to 8th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 7th Street to 443 feet westerly; Mission Street, south side, from 7th to 6th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 3rd to 1st streets;
- E. ESTABLISH - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME - Mission Street, south side, from 11th to 9th streets ; Mission Street, north side, from 9th to 8th streets Mission Street, south side, from 8th Street to 363 feet east of 8th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 6th Street to 539 feet west of 7th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 6th Street to 5th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 3rd Street to 1st Street;
- F. ESTABLISH - NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - Masonic Avenue, between Haight Street and Ewing Terrace;
- G. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – Mission Street, north side, from 84 feet to 128 feet east of 11th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 126 feet to 170 feet east of 9th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 323 feet to 343 feet east of 7th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 131 feet to 151 feet west of 6th Street;
- H. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY – Mission Street, south side, from 139 to 161 feet east of Julia Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 84 feet to 218 west of 7th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 78 feet to 98 feet east of 6th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 230 feet to 252 feet east of 6th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 325 to 347 feet east of 6th Street; Mission Street, north side, from Mint Street to 46 feet westerly ; Mission Street, south side, from 38 feet to 98 feet west of New Montgomery Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 46 feet to 69 feet east of New Montgomery Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 30 feet to 50 feet west of 1st Street;
- I. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, 7 AM TO 10 PM, DAILY – Mission Street, north side, from 108 to 196 feet east of 10th Street;
- J. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, AT ALL TIMES - Mission Street, south side, from 105 feet to 126 feet east of 9th Street Mission Street, north side, from 102 feet to 144 feet east of 8th Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 161 feet to 216 east of Julia Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 46 feet to 134 west of Mint Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 165 to 222 feet east of 3rd Street ; Mission Street, south side, from 291 feet to 354 feet east of 2nd Street; and,

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WHEREAS, The temporary improvements of the TETL project shall include a thorough and transparent evaluation process to determine the effectiveness of the changes, including soliciting stakeholder feedback, collecting and analyzing safety and performance data, and posting evaluation results on the SFMTA website; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed parking and traffic modifications will be temporary in nature and will expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board temporarily authorizes the City Traffic Engineer, based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity that includes, but is not limited to, meeting specific circumstances set forth in the Transportation Code, to approve temporary transit-only lanes and tow away lanes as delineated on a map to be appended to the Transportation Code, to be in effect during the COVID-19 Emergency, and which shall expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed TETL project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); CEQA provides a statutory exemption from environmental review for emergency projects pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15269; CEQA provides a categorical exemption for operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities, including transit improvements such as bus lanes, pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, On June 10, 2020, the Planning Department determined (Case Number 2020-005472ENV) that the proposed TETL project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15269 and categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and is incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed improvements and has been given the opportunity to comment on those improvements through the public hearing process; and,

WHEREAS, Final SFMTA decisions, whether made by the City Traffic Engineer or the SFMTA Board, can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Ordinance 127-18; and, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors approves the temporary parking and traffic modifications, as set forth in Items A through J above, as a part of the Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes (TETL) project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors amends the Transportation Code, Division II, to add Section 602 to designate temporary transit-only areas at the following locations: Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard; Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; and Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard; and be it further

RESOLVED; That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors amends the Transportation Code, Division II, to also add to Section 602 a temporary authorization to the City Traffic Engineer, based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity that includes, but is not limited to, meeting specific circumstances set forth in the Transportation Code, to approve temporary transit-only lanes and tow away lanes as delineated on a map to be appended to the Transportation Code; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all actions approved pursuant to the amendments to the Transportation Code, and parking and traffic modifications approved herein, are to be in effect temporarily during the COVID-19 emergency referenced in the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency dated February 25, 2020 and shall expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of such proclamation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That SFMTA staff shall make a report to the SFMTA Board of Directors 120 days after the conclusion of the COVID-19 Emergency, including evaluation findings and recommendations regarding the approved parking and traffic modifications.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 30, 2020.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

RESOLUTION NO.

[Transportation Code – Temporary Transit-Only Areas and Tow-Away Zones]

Resolution amending Division II of the Transportation Code to authorize temporary Transit-only lanes to be in effect for the duration of the COVID-19 emergency declared by the Mayor on February 25, 2020 and for 120 days after the termination or expiration of the emergency by: 1) designating Temporary Transit-only Areas (Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O’Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Streets; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Streets; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Streets; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight Street to Geary Boulevard; Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Streets; and Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento Street to Geary Boulevard); (2) providing a map delineating proposed potential Temporary Transit-only Areas; and (3) granting the City Traffic Engineer temporary authority to designate Temporary Transit-only lanes and create associated tow-away zones delineated on the map, after a public hearing.

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The Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors of the City and County of San Francisco enacts the following regulations:

Section 1. Article 200 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by amending Section 201, to read as follows:

SEC. 201. PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING PARKING AND TRAFFIC CONTROLS.

(a) Office of City Traffic Engineer. The position of City Traffic Engineer is established. The City Traffic Engineer shall be an employee of the SFMTA licensed with the State of California as a Civil or Traffic Engineer and designated by the Director of Transportation to exercise the powers and perform the duties of City Traffic Engineer established by this Code. The City Traffic Engineer shall have the authority to:

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(b) Public Hearings. The following Parking and traffic measures may be implemented following a public hearing:

- (1) Locate and install Traffic Calming Devices.
- (2) Designate the location of Stands, the types of vehicles authorized to use such Stands, and the days and hours in which Parking restrictions shall be enforced at any Stand.
- (3) Determine the locations for Parking restrictions designated by painted curb colors in accordance with Vehicle Code Section 21458 and the times that Parking is prohibited in such locations.
- (4) Determine the locations of Truck Loading Zones and the times that Parking is prohibited in that Zone.
- (5) Designate motorcycle Parking Spaces.
- (6) Designate on-street bicycle Parking Spaces for the installation and use of Bicycle Racks and Bicycle Sharing Stations, or to grant a permit for a Stationless Bicycle Share Program. In the event that a temporary relocation of a bicycle parking space, bicycle rack, or bicycle sharing station is necessary to improve safety or traffic operations, or to accommodate construction or roadway maintenance, the Director of Transportation has the

authority to temporarily relocate a bicycle parking space, bicycle rack, or bicycle sharing station prior to holding a public hearing. If the bicycle parking space, bicycle rack, or bicycle sharing station will be temporarily relocated for less than ninety days, no public hearing is required. If the temporary relocation is for ninety days or longer, a public hearing must be held within ninety days following the temporary relocation.

(7) Designate intersections at which right, left, or U turns are prohibited.

(8) Designate intersections at which turns against a red or stop signal are prohibited.

(9) Establish multiple turn lanes where vehicles can make right or left turns from more than one lane.

(10) Designate intersections at which one direction of traffic shall be required to yield to the other.

(11) Designate intersections at which traffic shall be required to stop, or where a required stop is eliminated.

(12) Re-classify existing Class II bike lanes or bikeways to Class IV cycle tracks or bikeway based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity including, but not limited to, the alleviation of traffic congestion and public safety.

(13) Designate Temporary Transit-only Areas and create associated tow-away zones, as authorized in Section 602 of the Transportation Code.

(c) SFMTA Board of Directors' Action Required. The following Parking and traffic measures may not be implemented without a public hearing and prior approval of the SFMTA Board of Directors, taking into consideration the recommendation of the City Traffic Engineer:

(1) Designate Parking Meter Zones and Streets on which Parking Meters are to be installed in each Parking Meter Zone.

(2) Establish, modify, or eliminate preferential Parking programs in accordance with Vehicle Code §§ 22507 and 22507.1, including the applicable geographical area(s) and the days and hours of applicable Parking restrictions.

(3) Install or remove bicycle lanes. The City Traffic Engineer shall have the authority to re-classify existing Class II bike lanes or bikeways to Class IV cycle tracks or bikeways, following a public hearing, based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity including, but not limited to, the alleviation of traffic congestion and public safety.

(4) Designate one-way Streets.

(5) Designate the location of all bus zones for the use of public transit vehicles.

(6) Set time limits for, and the days and hours of enforcement of, any Parking restriction except for street cleaning Parking restrictions.

(7) Establish or close a crosswalk.

(8) Establish a tow-away zone, except as specified under the authority granted to the City Traffic Engineer in subsection (b)(13) above.

(9) Designate the angle or direction in which vehicles are required to Park on the Street.

(10) Designate locations where Parking by vehicles over 6 feet high is restricted within 100 feet of an intersection.

(11) Establish bus, truck, and weight restrictions on Streets.

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(20) Establish transit only lane regulations, except as specified under the authority granted to the City Traffic Engineer in subsection (b)(13) above.

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Section 2. Article 600 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by adding Section 602 and Appendix A, to read as follows:

SEC. 602. DESIGNATED TEMPORARY TRANSIT-ONLY AREAS AND TOW AWAY ZONES.

(a) The locations listed in this subsection (a) are designated as Temporary Transit-only Areas. For purposes of this Section 602, “Temporary Transit-only Areas” are defined as the locations that are reserved for the use of buses, streetcars, taxis, bicycles, authorized emergency vehicles, vehicles preparing to make a turn, vehicles entering into or exiting from a stopped position at the curb, and/or vehicles entering into or exiting from a driveway vehicles as specified in this subsection (a) and in any determinations made by the City Traffic Engineer to designate such locations as authorized by subsection (b) to reduce the impact of traffic congestion resulting from the COVID-19 emergency referenced in the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency, dated February 25, 2020 (“COVID-19 Emergency”).

(1) Except for buses, taxis, authorized emergency vehicles, vehicles preparing to make a turn, vehicles entering into or exiting from a stopped position at the curb, and vehicles entering into or exiting from a driveway, no vehicle may operate in the following Temporary Transit-only Areas:

(A) Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard;

(B) O’Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly;

(C) Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Streets;

- (D) 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Streets;
- (E) 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Streets; and
- (F) Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight Street to Geary

Boulevard.

(2) Except as to buses, taxis, bicycles, authorized emergency vehicles, vehicles preparing to make a turn, vehicles entering into or exiting from a stopped position at the curb, and vehicles entering into or exiting from a driveway, no vehicle may operate in the Temporary Transit-only Areas on the following corridors:

(A) Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive;

(B) Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Streets;
and

(C) Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento Street to Geary Boulevard.

(b) The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to designate Temporary Transit-only Areas and create associated tow-away zones based upon a determination of public convenience and necessity that includes, but is not limited to, meeting the following criteria, following a public hearing held prior to implementation of a corridor:

(1) the corridor is running transit service, or is reasonably expected to run transit service within 45 days of the determination;

(2) the corridor will be a Temporary Transit-Only Area 24 hours a day/seven days a week if approved;

(3) the corridor is delineated in the color red on the map referenced in Appendix A and is within the boundaries of the City and County of San Francisco as described in said map; and either

(4) the corridor runs bus transit service and

(A) there has been more than a 12% time travel savings for the bus transit service functioning on the corridor between the time preceding the COVID-19 Emergency (February 2020) and during the COVID-19 Emergency (April 2020); and

(B) the proposed Transit-only Area will not remove more than one traffic lane in each direction and will preserve one traffic lane in each direction for uses otherwise authorized; or

(5) the corridor has a Municipal Railway line.

(c) Any vehicle operating within a Temporary Transit-only Area authorized by subsection (a) or designated by the City Traffic Engineer as authorized under subsection (b) above is in violation of the California Vehicle Code or Division I of the Transportation Code, as applicable.

(d) The authorization delegated to the City Traffic Engineer in subsection (b) and all designations of Temporary Transit-only Areas authorized pursuant to this Section 602 shall expire 120 days after the termination or expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency. The Temporary Transit-only Areas authorized in subsection (a) and any designations of Temporary Transit-only Areas by the City Traffic Engineer under the authority of subsection (b) supersede the designations in Section 601 to the extent there is a conflict between the two sections.

APPENDIX A. CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO MAP.

The attached Map, delineating routes and corridors within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the City and County of San Francisco, is hereby incorporated into the Transportation Code. See Transportation Code, Division II, Sec. 602. Copies of this map shall be available to the public in the Office of the Director of Transportation and in the Office of the Secretary of the SFMTA Board of Directors. This map shall be updated from time to time as necessary to show changes in streets within the boundaries and jurisdiction of the City and County of San Francisco. The updated map will

likewise be a part of, and incorporated into, the Transportation Code and available to the public at the above-designated locations.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. Except as to the map contained in Appendix A to Section 602 of the Transportation Code, in enacting this ordinance, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, letters, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Transportation Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions or deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 31 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves this ordinance.

Section 5. Expiration. This ordinance shall expire by operation of law 120 days after the termination or expiration of the Proclamation of the Mayor Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency, dated February 25, 2020. Upon the expiration of this ordinance, the City Attorney shall cause this ordinance to be removed from the Transportation Code or to the extent the City Attorney deems appropriate shall prepare an ordinance to that effect for consideration by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: _____
JULIE VEIT
Deputy City Attorney

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 30, 2020.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency



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Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes

SFMTA Board of Directors

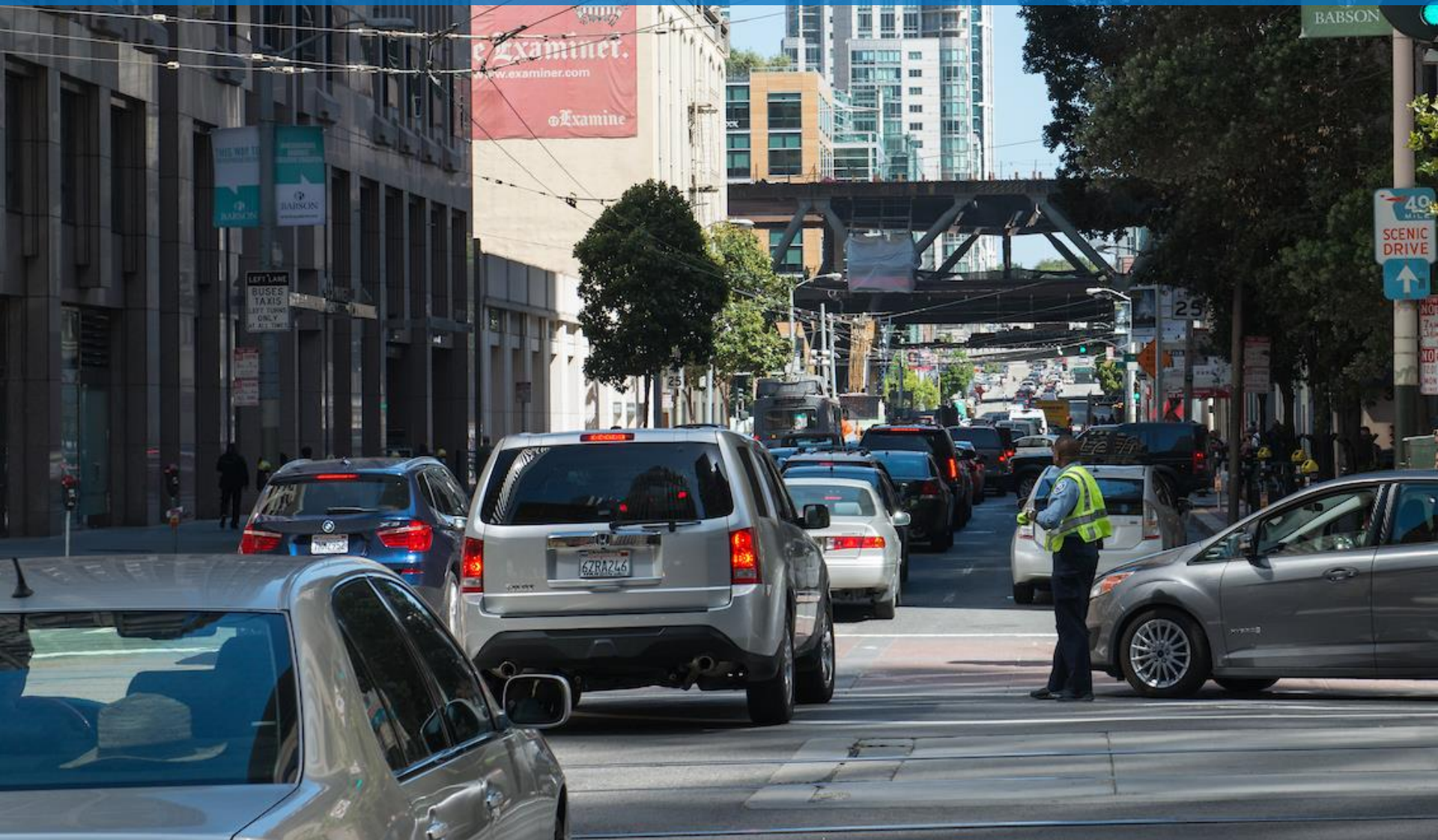
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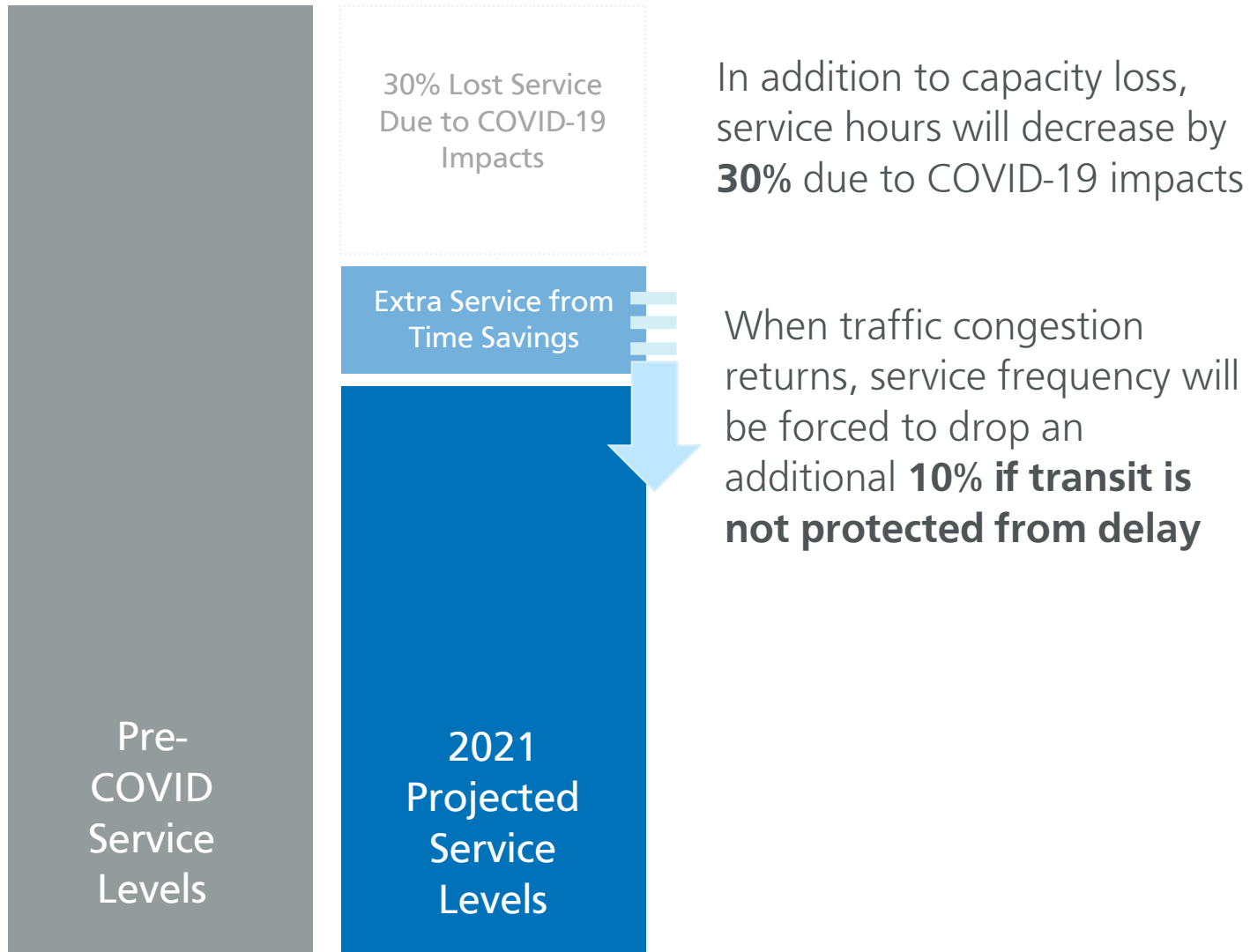
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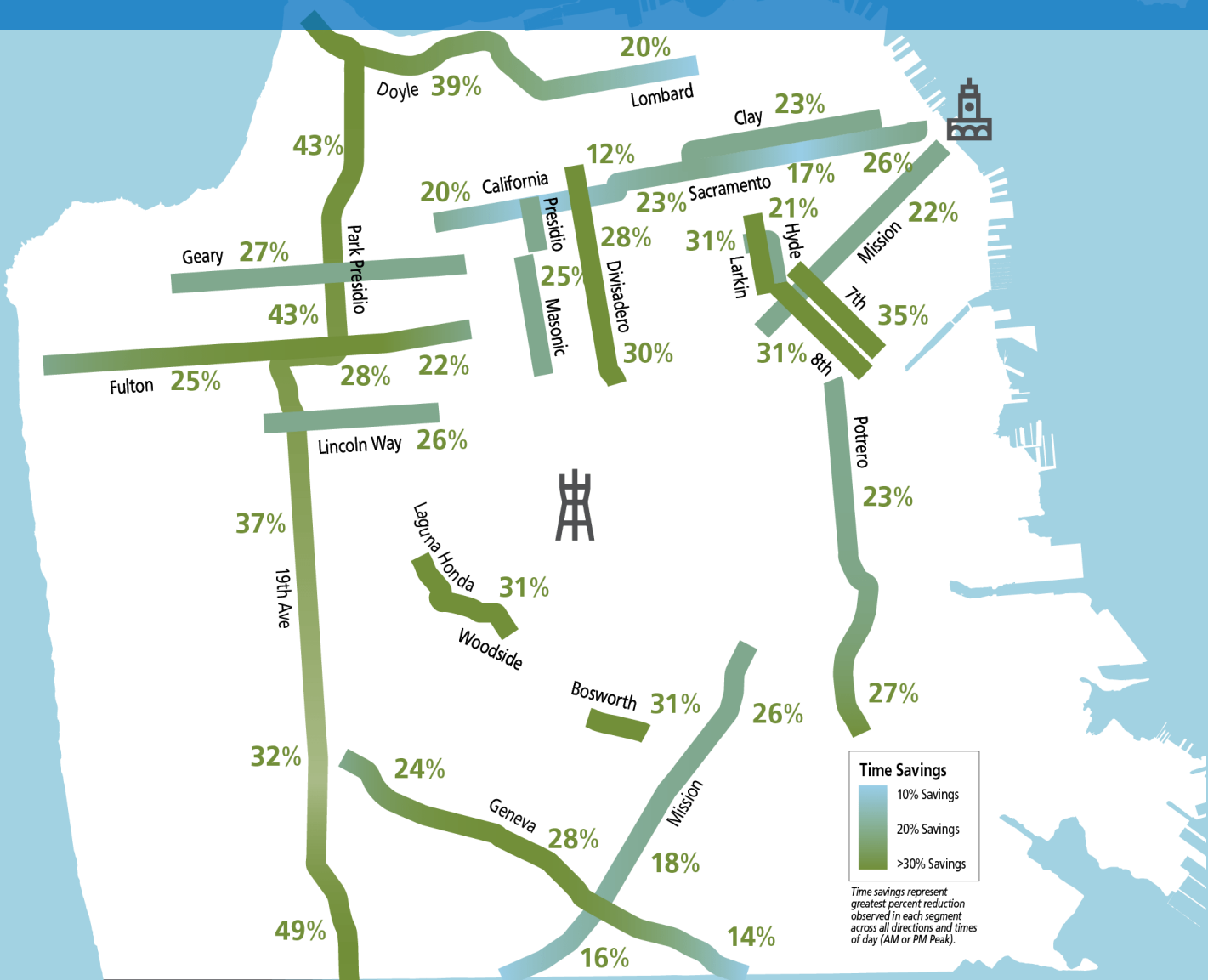
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Who's Riding Muni Today



Time Savings During Shelter in Place



Time Savings

- 10% Savings
- 20% Savings
- >30% Savings

Time savings represent greatest percent reduction observed in each segment across all directions and times of day (AM or PM Peak).

Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes

- **Proposal:** Temporary transit lanes on corridors that normally experience congestion as an emergency measure to reduce crowding and mitigate service reductions
- **Sunset Date:** Transit lanes expire 120 days after emergency order is lifted unless there is permanent SFMTA Board approval
- **Timeline:** Implement first batch of temporary transit lanes ASAP as emergency measure if approved today



Program Benefits

- **Equity:** The project reduces the risk of exposure for people who have the fewest travel choices and ensures there is enough capacity on board, especially for lower-income people of color
- **Public Health:** Reducing crowding on transit is imperative to preventing the spread of COVID-19
- **Economic Recovery:** A strong economic recovery is dependent on an efficient transit system

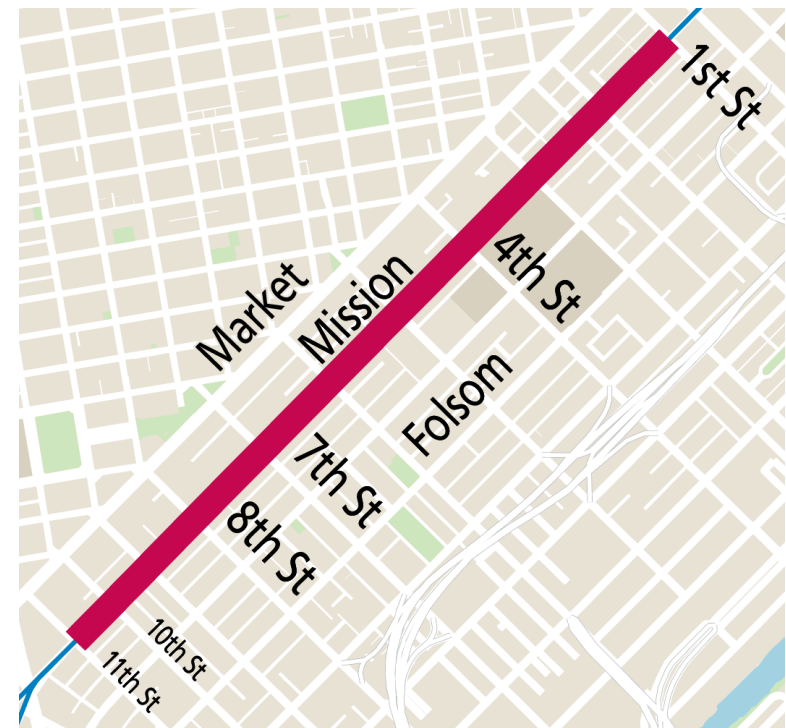


Proposed Initial Locations



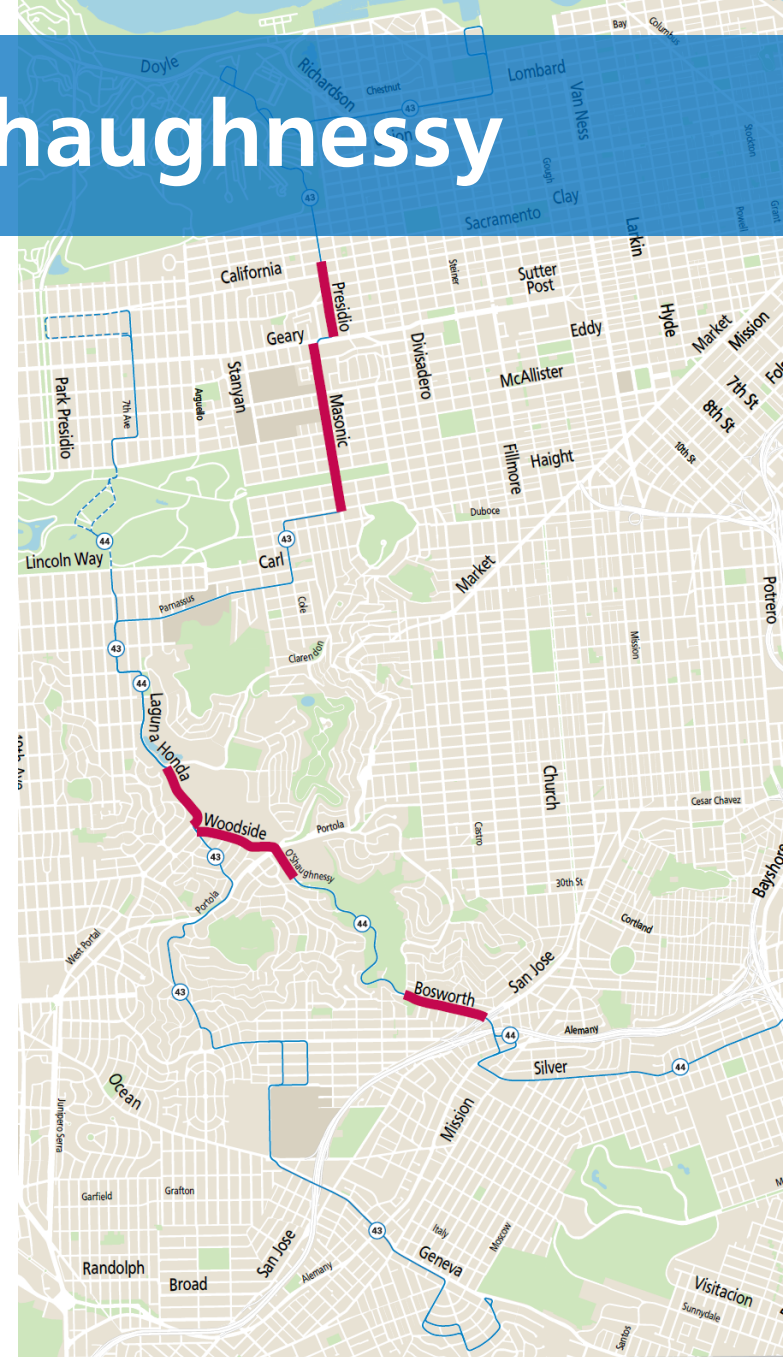
14 Mission (South of Market)

- Implement temporary 24/7 bus lanes (replaces part-time bus lanes)
- Convert part-time tow-away to 24/7 on one side of street
- Restore 24/7 parking on other side by eliminating part-time tow-away
- Widen lanes to accommodate buses and reduce bus collisions



43 Masonic and 44 O'Shaughnessy

- Convert existing curbside travel lane to temporary transit and taxi lane (bikes would be allowed on Presidio, Bosworth, Woodside)



19 Polk (7th and 8th streets)

- Convert existing curbside travel lane from general purpose to temporary emergency transit and taxi lane



Potential Additional Locations

- Additional lanes could be approved by City Traffic Engineer after a public hearing if they meet these criteria:
 - 12% time savings or more during emergency
 - Will have Muni service within 45 days after approval
 - Does not remove more than one lane per direction AND preserves one lane per direction
 - In addition, all Muni Metro rail lines are eligible
- Projects may still be brought to SFMTA Board for final approval when appropriate





1. Implement Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes
Inform the community
During Emergency Declaration

**Temporary transit lanes
sunset 120 days after
end of emergency order**



2. Gather community feedback
Evaluate Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes
Summer 2020 to mid-2021



**3. Based on evaluation and feedback, consider permanent
legislation of lanes and other transit improvements**
Late 2020 to winter 2021/22

July
2020

January
2021

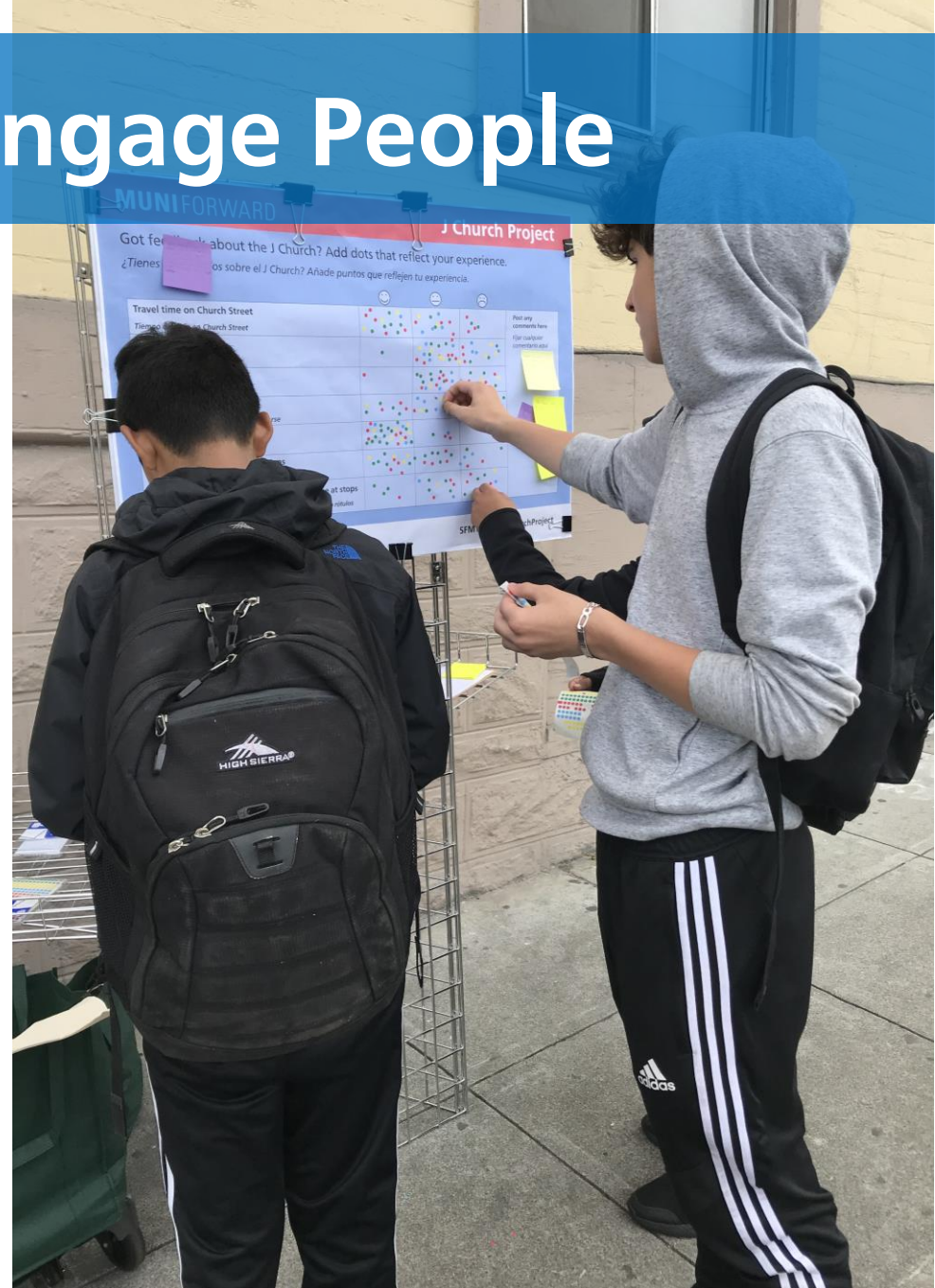
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A New Way to Engage People

- Adapting outreach techniques to COVID-19 era
- On-the-ground, real-time monitoring and outreach to evaluate the temporary lanes
- Actively solicit feedback from marginalized communities
- Unless there is a public process to legislate, temporary lanes will automatically sunset



Evaluation Process

- Community input will shape the evaluation framework, with a focus on equity, health and economic recovery
- Public engagement and evaluation will guide whether and what longer-term improvements are pursued



Today's Legislation

- Approve temporary emergency transit lanes on Mission, Masonic, Presidio, 7th Street, 8th Street, O'Shaughnessy, Laguna Honda, Woodside, Bosworth
- Delegate authority to City Traffic Engineer's Office to approve temporary emergency transit lanes on additional corridors after a public hearing
- Note: All temporary emergency transit lanes must be removed within 120 days after emergency order expires if not approved for permanent legislation
- Temporary emergency transit lanes may be modified or even removed any time during the emergency in response to data and feedback

Next Steps

Today: SFMTA Board approval

July:

- Begin developing evaluation framework with community
- Continue informing neighbors of temporary emergency transit lanes

Late summer/fall:

- Install first temporary transit lanes
- Begin evaluation of initial temporary emergency transit lanes
- Additional lanes approved by City Traffic Engineer after public hearing





**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND
PARKING AUTHORITY COMMISSION**

MINUTES

Tuesday, June 30, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 health emergency and to protect our Board Members, SFMTA staff, and members of the public, the Board's Meeting Room (Room 400) is closed.

Members of the public are encouraged to participate remotely. If you want to ensure your comment on any item on the agenda is received by the Board in advance of the meeting, please send an email to MTABoard@sfmta.com by 5pm on Monday, June 15 or call (415) 646-4470. Please see the information on the next page for remote meeting access.

**SPECIAL MEETING
1 P.M.**

SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gwyneth Borden, Chair
Amanda Eaken, Vice Chair
Cheryl Brinkman
Steve Heminger

Jeffrey Tumlin
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer
SECRETARY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Borden called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Gwyneth Borden
Cheryl Brinkman
Amanda Eaken
Steve Heminger

3. Announcement of prohibition of sound producing devices during the meeting.

No announcement was made.

4. Approval of Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel pointed out that there was no public comment on the closed session. The minutes should reflect that.

On motion to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2020 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved.

5. Communications

Chair Borden talked about the passing of Art Curtis and asked that the meeting be adjourned in his memory.

Chair Borden discussed the virtual meeting and expressed appreciation to staff for their work to enable the meeting to be held via teleconference. Board Secretary Boomer reviewed how members of the public could watch the meeting and address the Board.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Vice Chair Eaken requested an update on efforts to make streets in the Tenderloin safer and more accessible to residents.

7. Director's Report (For discussion only)

-Ongoing Activities

Jeff Tumlin, Director of Transportation discussed the transportation recovery plan including building trust with the public, key data analytics, criteria for establishing “Slow Streets”, street sweeping, and applications for “Shared Spaces”.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Hayden Miller stated that he is looking forward to more “slow streets” but he urged that existing ones be made more successful. Some intersections are lacking signage. Arterial street crossings should be looked at closely as they create safety hazards.

David Pilpel discussed Art Curtis’s passing. He was a wonderful employee and human being. He knew every inch of the system. He suggested naming something after him or putting up a poster to remind people of the importance of public service. Despite the many problems now, Art would have relished the opportunity to solve them.

John Lisovsky discussed the “Slow Streets” program and discussed several locations. He expressed concern about the grade of hills. A car free Columbus would bend the curve in that district. A North Point “slow street” would also be appreciated.

Eric Rozell expressed appreciation for paying attention to the Tenderloin. It’s a difficult neighborhood to work with. The neighbors are grateful for the changes, particularly on Jones and Turk streets. He urged the agency to continue to pay attention to the neighborhood. Having a “Safe Streets” network is a great idea.

Barry Taranto expressed appreciation for the Essential Trip Card (ETC) and essential ride home programs. He hasn’t seen many users at night. He does give rides to essential workers, many of whom work in the Tenderloin. Blocking streets will make it harder for taxi drivers to drop off workers. It’s hard to avoid not going through some “Slow Street” blocks, as taxis need access to pick up passengers. He is waiting for the official “Slow Street” list from the SFMTA. He was given a link to it but it’s not in a form that he can distribute to the taxi industry. He suggested installing signage a block away from every “Slow Street”.

Martin discussed the J and L lines terminating at Church and Market and at West Portal. He supports those changes and urged the SFMTA to figure out how to make those transfers safe for people with disabilities. The Church and Market intersection is difficult. These transfers must be ironed out before the change. He expressed appreciation for the “Slow Streets” program. In the Tenderloin and the South of Market, the Supervisor seems open to closing those streets so the SFMTA should consider making them pedestrian only. He supports mobility access.

Cliff Barger stated that the Mariposa “Slow Streets” is wonderful. The SFMTA was quick to replace the barriers when they have been moved. People are still driving through Mariposa. He is happy to see the “Shared Spaces” program and urged more repurposing of the parking lane and sidewalks on 18th St. Sidewalks are narrow to the point where people can’t distance themselves. People with mobility issues will have challenges navigating narrow sidewalks.

Aleeta Dupre discussed the J line termination on Market. It's reasonable but there has to be a seamless connection for people with disabilities. There is an incline towards the station so the elevators must be maintained. Signage is essential at that location.

Sara Ogilvy expressed support for the barriers on the "Slow Streets". She has noticed that cars are pushing through the barriers at some locations and is concerned about safety. She also expressed support for "Shared Spaces" in parking spaces and concern for social distancing on sidewalks. With the growing number of COVID, the City needs to take more action and be more aggressive with using parking spaces to help businesses continue.

Roan Kattouw thanked Director Brinkman for raising the question about Senate Bill 288. He expressed concern about "shared spaces" and restaurant service on the sidewalk. Some areas are the point where there isn't a five-foot path of travel to ensure social distancing.

Dan Deutsch expressed support for the "Shared Spaces" program and implored the SFMTA to think bigger. There's been criticism about space being taken from sidewalks. Other cities have been successful with removing parking and ensuring safe walking and cycling.

Mike Chan is heartened by the progress with "Shared Space", and suggested consideration of a "Slow Wiggle" that would allow people to traverse the City. He also discussed constraints in District 6 and urged consideration of more streets in the South of Market. Now is a great time to make sure City streets serve the people who live there.

Flo Kelly stated that vehicles are being cited for street cleaning. She referred to a letter from Glide Memorial Church that asked the SFMTA not to tow nor cite vehicular dwellings. It has a traumatic impact on people who are living in those vehicles and they usually wind up living on the streets.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

REGULAR CALENDAR

9. Approving the FY 2021 and FY 2022 revised Operating Budget in the amounts of \$1,251.8 million and \$1,281.1 million respectively for operating expenditures; \$248.3 million and \$111.5 million respectively for capital expenditures; \$2.3 million and \$2.3 million respectively to supplement the existing general liability reserve; and \$15.5 million and \$18.7 million respectively for a new Board Operating Reserve; certifying that the FY 2021 and FY 2022 revised Operating Budget is adequate in making substantial progress towards meeting performance standards; authorizing changes to various fines, fees, fares, rates, and charges, including a waiver of taxi fees, reducing the low-income boot removal fee, creating a new one-time waiver of boot removal for individuals experiencing homelessness, and establishing reduced tow fees for low-income individuals and individuals experiencing homelessness with an operative date of January 4, 2021 with the exception of (1) parking meter rates including rates for special events, Sunday and evening parking enforcement, and demand responsive parking meter caps, (2) SFMTA and Parking Authority garage rates and fees, and (3) waiving taxi permit fees; which will all be effective on July 1, 2020; and (4) vehicle boot removal fee, (5) vehicle

towing, towing subcontract, lien, auction, and storage fees, and (6) community service plan processing fees, which will be effective on August 1, 2020; approving the SFMTA's Title VI Fare Equity Analysis for the fare changes; amending Transportation Code Division II to include various rate, fare, fine and fee increases and decreases; waiving all taxi permit fees, and adding new one-time boot removal fee for individuals experiencing homelessness, tow fees for low-income and HSH-approved individuals experiencing homelessness, ISCOTT permit fee for Community Events, and color curb renewal fee; approving the Title VI analysis; approving a waiver of fares on New Year's Eve 2021, and on New Year's Eve 2022; authorizing the Director to implement short-term experimental fares; retroactively waiving taxi driver permit renewal fees; concurring with the Controller's certification that parking citation processing and collection services; facility security services; paratransit services; parking meter collection and coin counting services; transit shelter maintenance services; and vehicle towing, storage and disposal services can be practically performed by private contractors at a lesser cost than to provide the same services with City employees; and authorizing the Director to make necessary corrections to the revised Operating Budget. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, analysis, budget, amendment, rate changes and resolution.)

Leo Levenson, Director, Finance and Information Technology and Jonathan Rewers, Senior Budget Manager, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: David Pilpel, John Lisovsky, Aleeta Dupre, Hayden Miller, Bob Allen, Barry Taranto, Martin, Trevor Adams, and Robert Bruckman

Members of the public expressing support for the BackFirst program: Laura Chalfont, Sylvia Alvarez-Lynch, Michael Leary, Glenna, Anthony Ballester, and Jan

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Roger Marengo, Roan Kattouw, Zach, Dan Deutsch, Herbert Weiner, and Matt Brezina

Director Heminger requested a monthly report on the budget.

Vice Chair Eaken asked staff to work with the Transportation Authority to present congestion pricing the Board.

RESOLUTION 200630-061

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, and Heminger

10. Amending the Transportation Code, Division II, to add Section 602 to designate temporary transit-only areas at: Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to

Geary Boulevard; Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; and Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard; to also add to Section 602 a temporary authorization to the City Traffic Engineer to approve temporary transit-only lanes and tow away lanes; and approving temporary parking and traffic modifications as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH - BUS AND TAXI-ONLY LANE - Laguna Honda Boulevard, both directions, from Clarendon Avenue to Dewey Boulevard; O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, both directions, from Portola Drive to 800 feet southerly; Mission Street, both directions, from 11th to 1st Street; 7th Street, northbound, from Townsend to Market Street; 8th Street, southbound, from Market to Townsend Street; Masonic Avenue, both directions, from Haight to Geary Boulevard
- B. ESTABLISH - BUS, TAXI, BICYCLE-ONLY LANE - Woodside Avenue, both directions, from Laguna Honda Boulevard to Portola Drive; Bosworth Street, both directions, from Elk to Arlington Street; Presidio Avenue, both directions, from Sacramento to Geary Boulevard
- C. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, north side, from 11th to 9th streets; Mission Street, north from side, from 8th Street to 274 feet easterly; Mission Street, north side, from 6th to 5th streets
- D. RESCIND - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 7 AM TO 9 AM AND 4 PM TO 6 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Mission Street, south side, from 9th to 8th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 7th Street to 443 feet westerly; Mission Street, south side, from 7th to 6th streets; Mission Street, south side, from 3rd to 1st streets
- E. ESTABLISH - TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME - Mission Street, south side, from 11th to 9th streets; Mission Street, north side, from 9th to 8th streets Mission Street, south side, from 8th Street to 363 feet east of 8th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 6th Street to 539 feet west of 7th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 6th Street to 5th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 3rd Street to 1st Street
- F. ESTABLISH - NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - Masonic Avenue, between Haight Street and Ewing Terrace
- G. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – Mission Street, north side, from 84 feet to 128 feet east of 11th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 126 feet to 170 feet east of 9th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 323 feet to 343 feet east of 7th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 131 feet to 151 feet west of 6th Street
- H. ESTABLISH - YELLOW COMMERCIAL METERED ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY – Mission Street, south side, from 139 to 161 feet east of Julia Street; Mission Street, south side, from 84 feet to 218 west of 7th Street ; Mission Street, north side, from 78 feet to 98 feet east of 6th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 230 feet to 252 feet east of 6th Street; Mission Street, north side, from 325 to 347 feet east of 6th Street; Mission St., north side, from Mint Street to 46 feet westerly; Mission Street, south side, from 38 feet to 98 feet west of New Montgomery Street; Mission Street, south side, from 46 feet to 69 feet east of New Montgomery Street; Mission Street, south side, from 30 feet to 50 feet west of 1st Street;
- I. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, 7 AM TO 10 PM, DAILY – Mission Street, north side, from 108 to 196 feet east of 10th Street
- J. ESTABLISH - WHITE PASSENGER ZONE, AT ALL TIMES - Mission Street, south side, from 105 feet to 126 feet east of 9th Street Mission Street, north side, from 102 feet to 144 feet east of 8th Street; Mission Street, south side, from 161 feet to 216 east of Julia Street; Mission

Street, north side, from 46 feet to 134 west of Mint Street; Mission Street, south side, from 165 to 222 feet east of 3rd Street; Mission Street, south side, from 291 feet to 354 feet east of 2nd Street. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, amendments and resolution.)

Sean Kennedy, Manager, Transit Planning and Michael Rhodes, Project Manager, Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Michael Balsama, David Pilpel, Martin, Zack Geisgrove, Dan Fetterman, Ken T., Christopher Petersen, Daly Chin, Regina Easlos, Simone Manganelli, Robin, Cliff Barger, Simon Chan, Peter Straus, Nick, Amy O'Hare, Hayden Miller, Anonymous, Barry Taranto, Kevin Burke, Daniel Tahara, Milo Trauss, Nishon Keterphal, Ken Deutsch, Aleeta Dupre, Mike Chan, Elliot Schwartz, Shahin Shahinajad, and Elias Zamoria

Members of the public expressing opposition: Anonymous and Anonymous

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Herbert Weiner

At the Board's request, Director Tumlin will provide reports on the SFMTA's transit initiatives.

RESOLUTION 200630-062

On motion to amend the resolution to remove the prohibition against turning left onto Ewing Terrace and establishing no left turns except Muni on Masonic Avenue between Haight and Turk streets:


ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, and Heminger

On motion to approve as amended:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, and Heminger

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m. in honor of Art Curtis.

A recording of the meeting is on file in the office of the Secretary to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors.



Roberta Boomer
Board Secretary

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Appeal Rights under S.F. Admin. Code Chapter 31: For identified Approval Actions, the Planning Department or the SFMTA has issued a CEQA exemption determination or negative declaration, which may be viewed online at the Planning Department's website. Following approval of the item by the SFMTA Board, the CEQA determination is subject to appeal within the time frame specified in S.F. Administrative Code Section 31.16 which is typically within 30 calendar days. For information on filing a CEQA appeal, contact the Clerk of the Board of

Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102, or call (415) 554-5184. Under CEQA, in a later court challenge, a litigant may be limited to raising only those issues previously raised at a hearing on the project or submitted in writing to the City prior to or at such hearing, or as part of the appeal hearing process on the CEQA decision.

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Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decision in full view of the public. Commissions, boards, councils and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the people's business. This ordinance assures that deliberations are conducted before the people and that City operations are open to the people's review. For more information on your rights under the Sunshine Ordinance or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact Administrator, by mail to Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco CA 94102-4689; by phone at 415.554.7724; by fax at 415.554.7854; or by email at sotf@sfgov.org.

Copies of the Sunshine Ordinance can be obtained from the Clerk of the Sunshine Task Force, the San Francisco Public Library and on the City's website at sfgov.org.



West Portal LK Transfer Project: Proposed Street Changes

A Public Hearing for the below proposed changes on near West Portal Station, between West Portal Avenue and Wawona Street, will be held virtually on Saturday, July 18, 2020 at 11:00am.

1. RESCIND – BUS ZONE

Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue to 75' easterly

ESTABLISH – NO STOPPING FIRE LANE

Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue to 20' easterly

ESTABLISH – WHITE ZONE 7 AM – 7 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY

Ulloa Street, south side, from 20' to 75' east of West Portal Avenue

These changes would rescind a bus zone, create a 20' fire-hydrant clear zone and a 55' white zone.

2. ESTABLISH – TRANSIT ZONE

A. Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue to Wawona Street

B. Ulloa Street, north side, from Lenox Way to Wawona Street

These changes would create new transit zones for the new LK interlined rail route, including ADA accessible platforms. On the south side, there would also be a new 48 bus stop, while removing a part-time white zone/bus zone and 2 part-time uncontrolled parking spaces. On the north side, the new LK stop would be shared with the 48 bus stop and remove one white zone.

3. ESTABLISH – WHITE ZONE

Lenox Way, from 20 to 45' north of Ulloa Avenue

ESTABLISH – GREEN ZONE

Lenox Way, from 45' to 90' north of Ulloa Avenue

ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN

Lenox Way, southbound at Ulloa Avenue

These changes would create a new white zone on Lenox Way, replacing the white zone that is being removed on the north side of Ulloa by the library entrance by shifting the existing green zone north. They also would make the existing AM-peak only left turn restriction in effect at all times.



West Portal LK Transfer Project



Virtual Meeting/Public Hearing

July 18, 2020

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us to learn more about and provide comment on the West Portal LK Transfer Project.

This meeting will be recorded for public record and documentation.

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To provide live public comments:

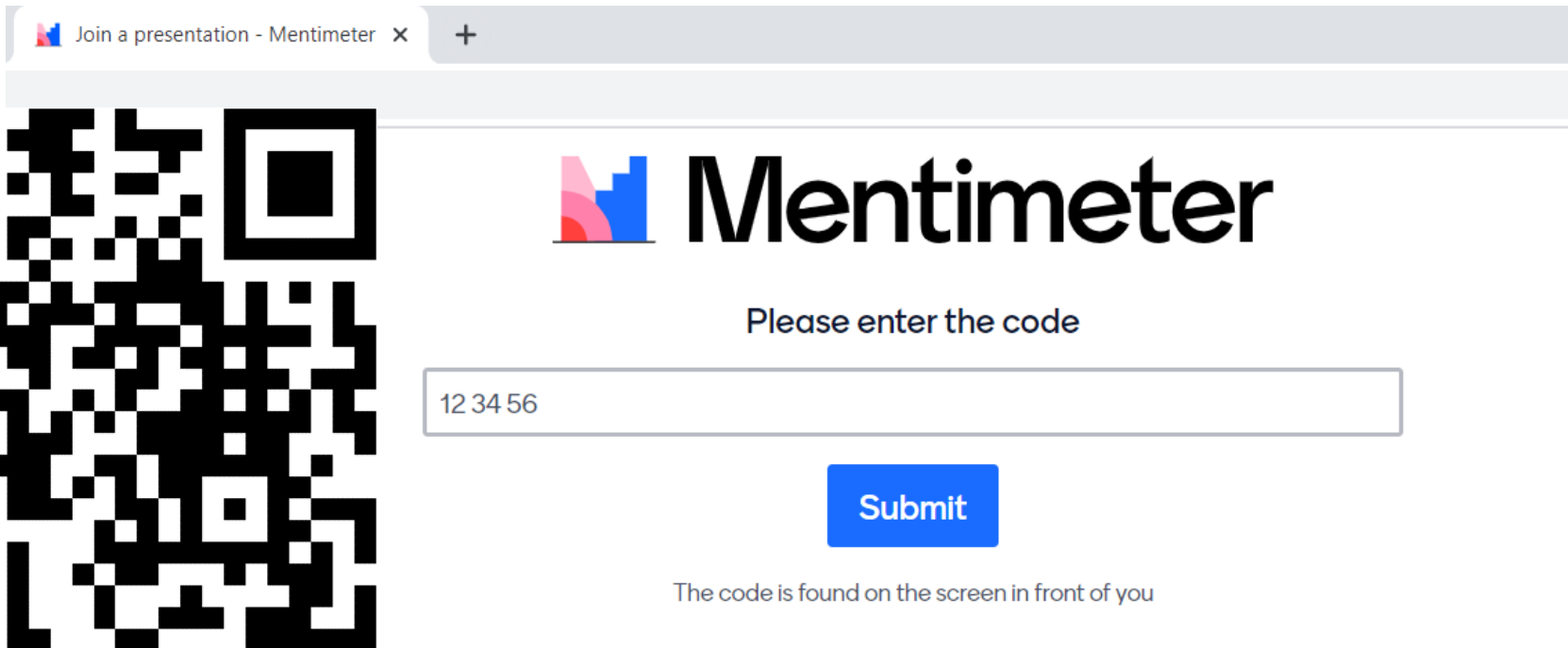
1. Call: 888-363-4734
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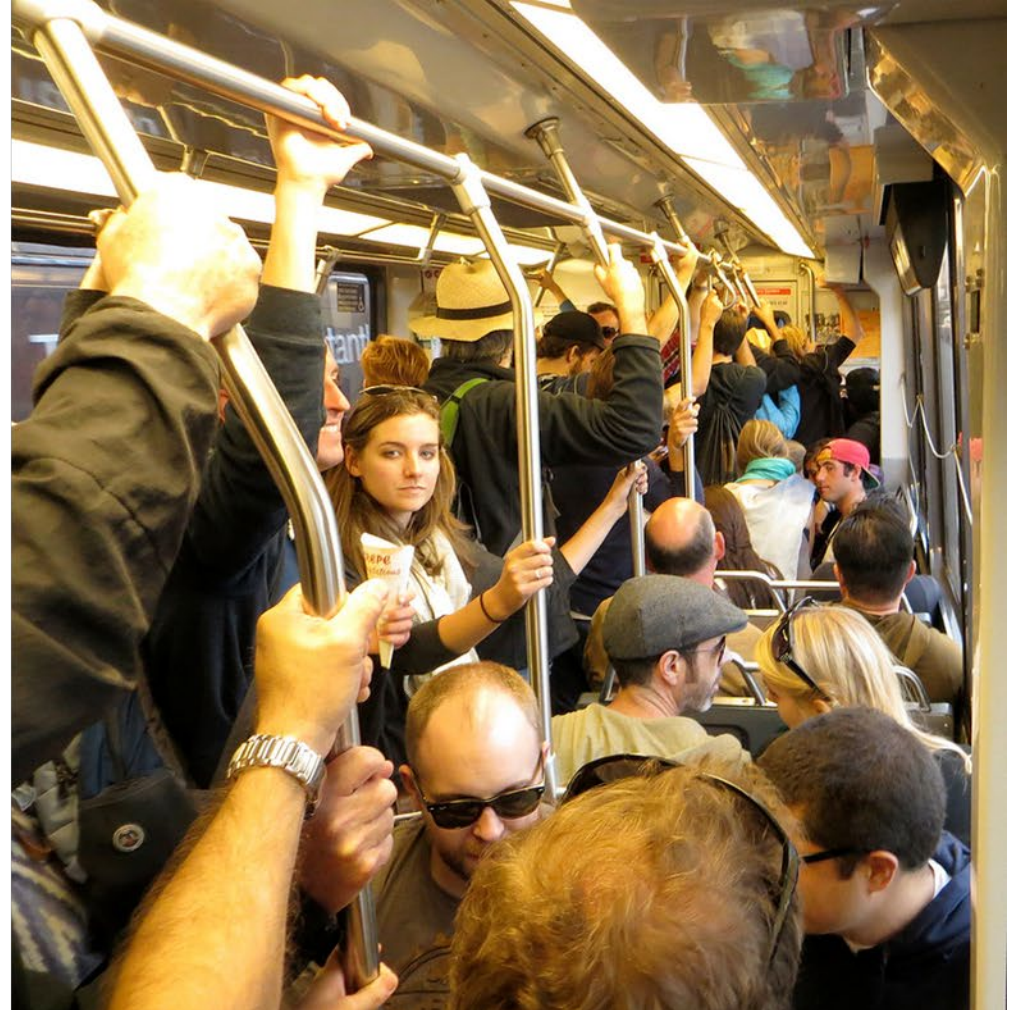
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Restoring rail service



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Temporary Rail Service Plan Starting this August



LK transfer improvements








- Requires new temporary transfer stops at West Portal Station with accessible boarding

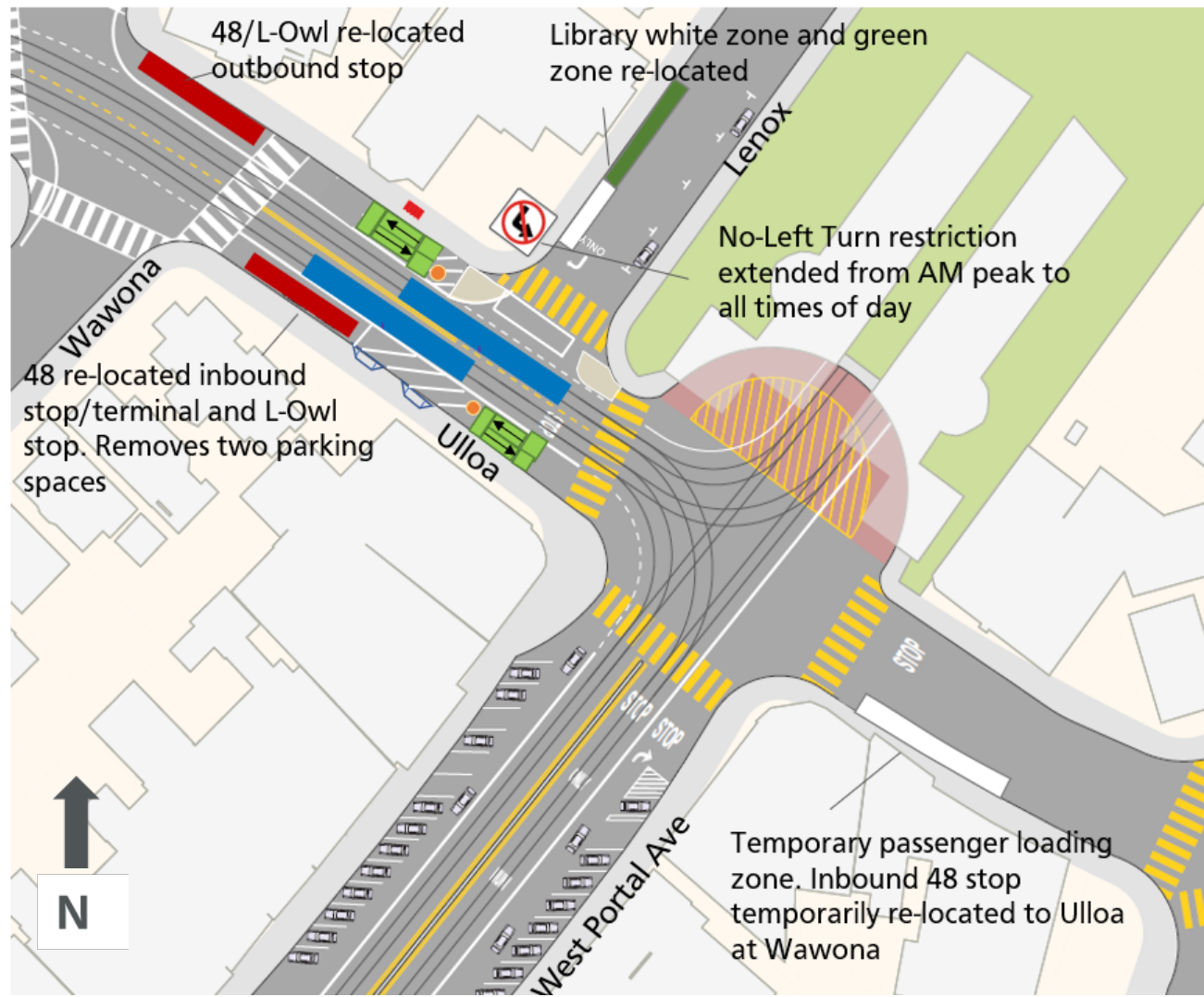


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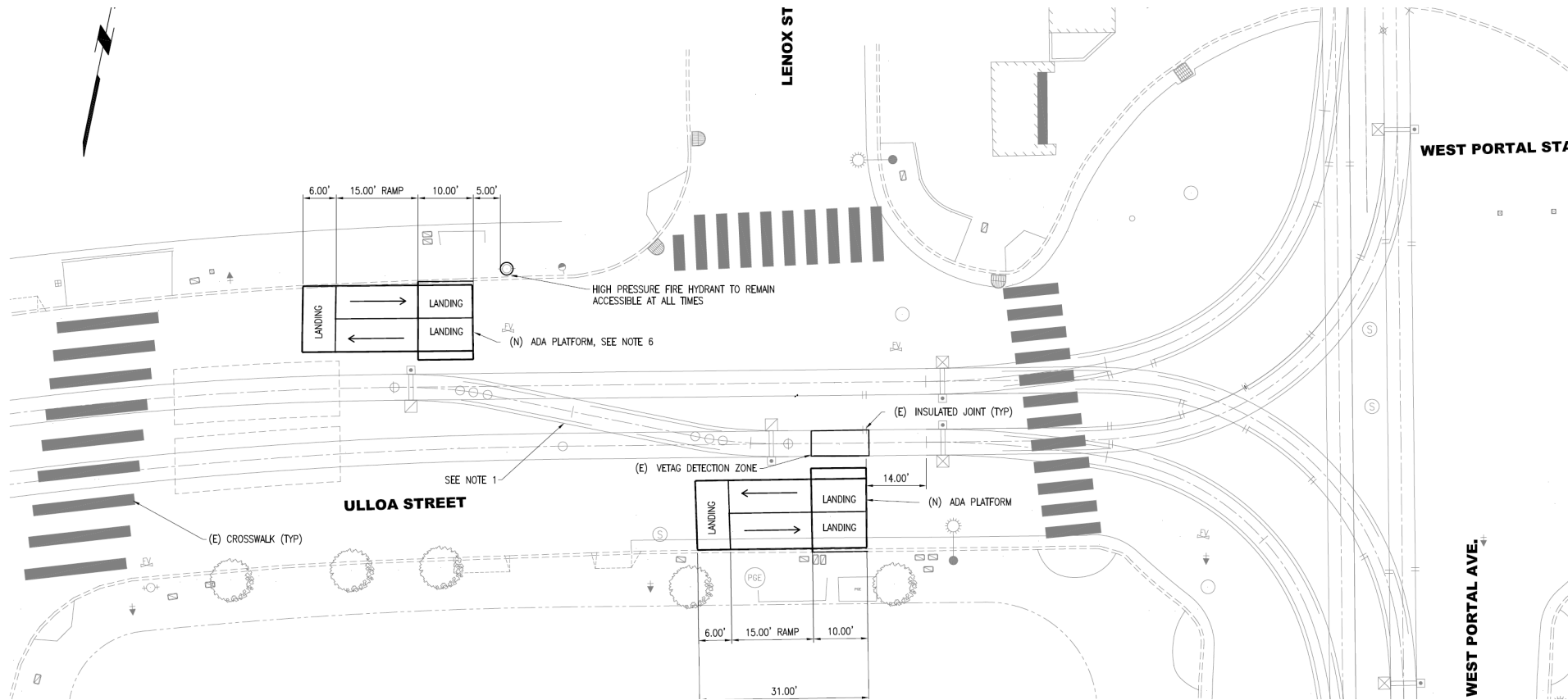
Project overview

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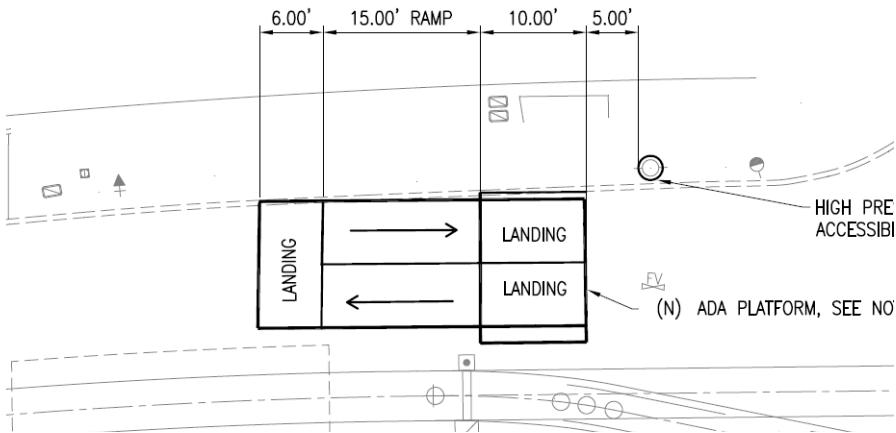
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-  48 Bus Stop
-  Accessible Ramps (Boarding for passengers with disabilities)
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-  Green Zone
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-  Painted Safety Zone



Proposed ramp design on Ulloa Street

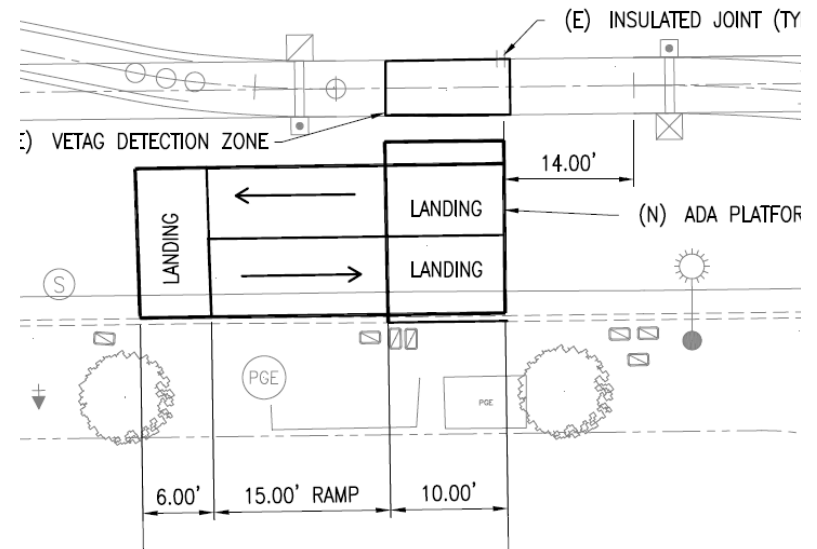


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North side of Ulloa (L outbound)

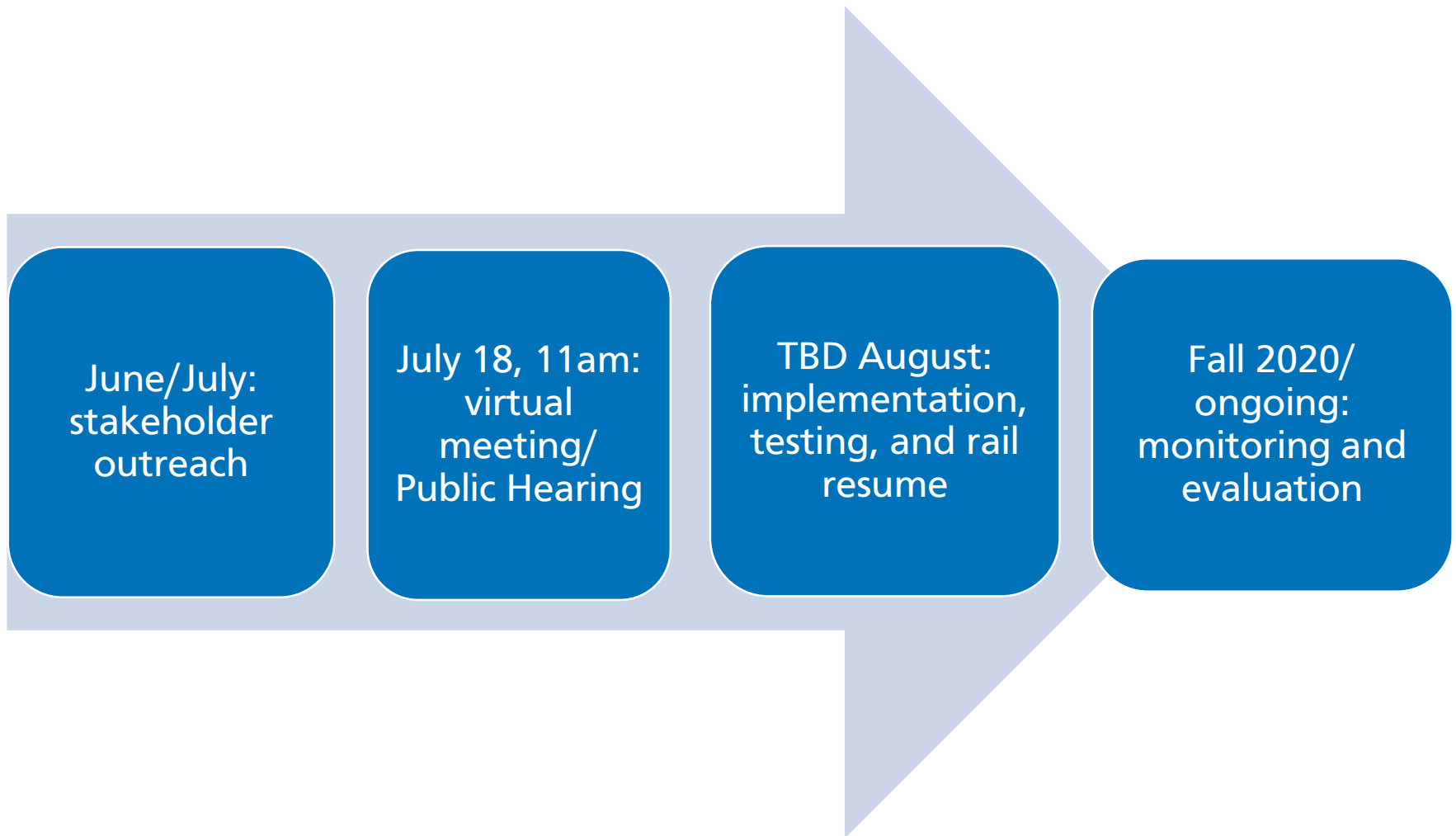
South side of Ulloa (K outbound)



Approval process due to public health emergency

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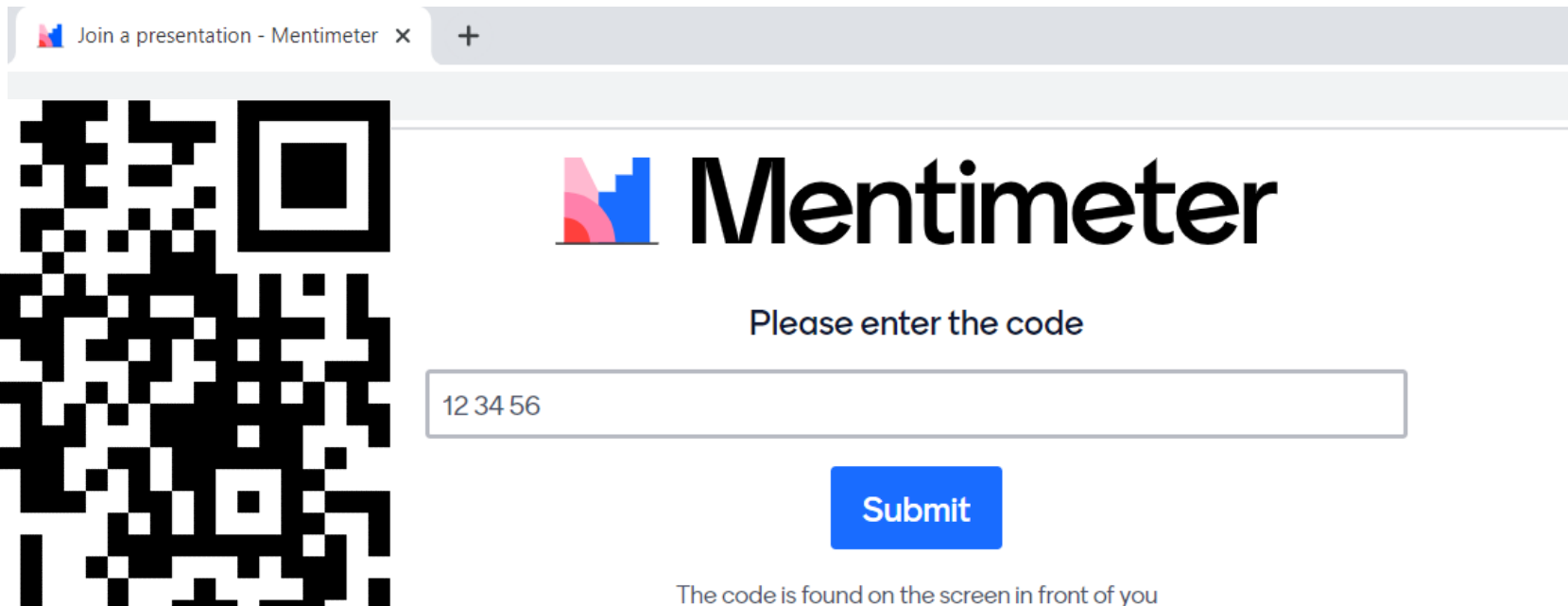
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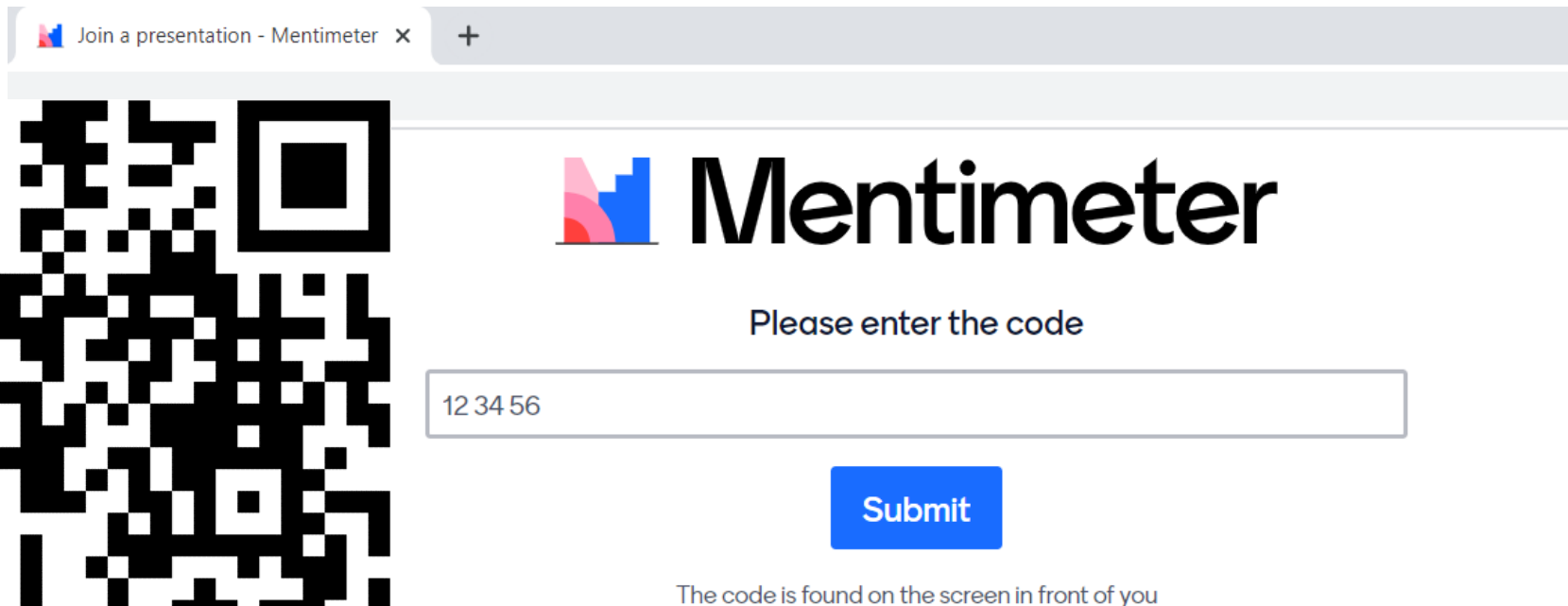
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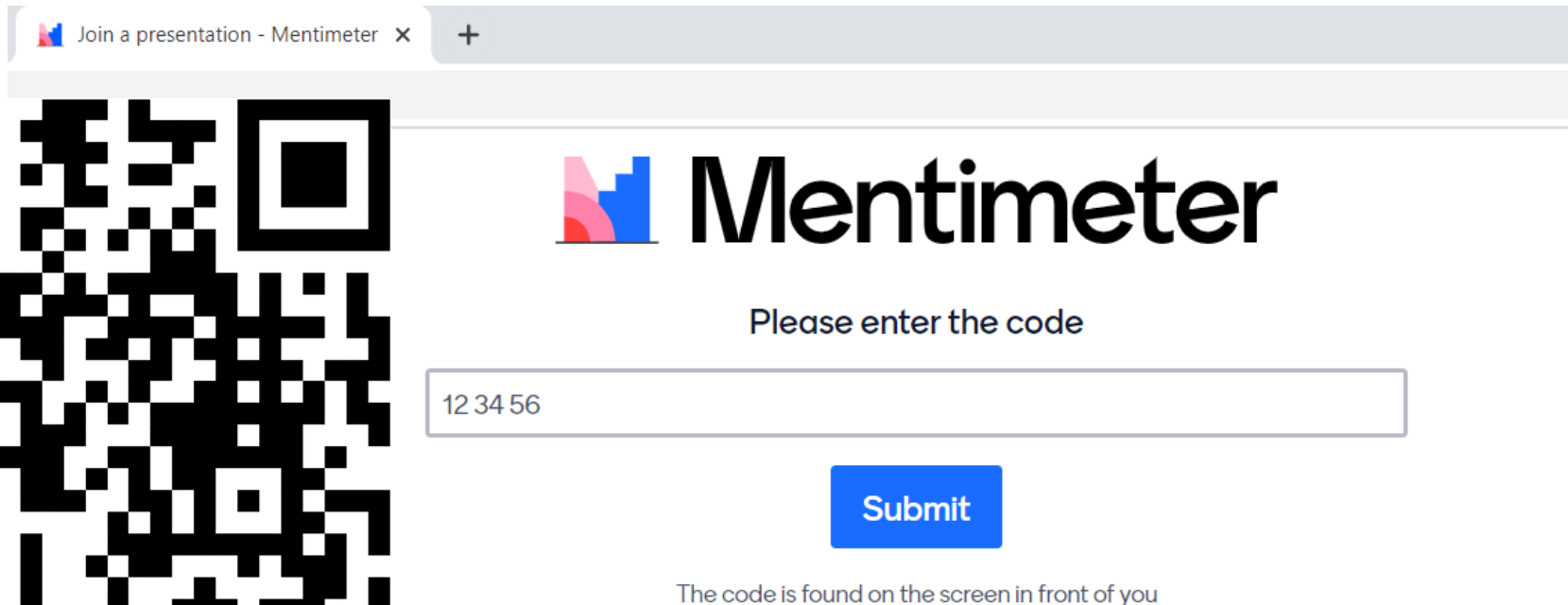
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Questions and Answers

Thank you.

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West Portal LK Transfer Project: Proposed Street Changes

A Public Hearing for the below proposed changes on near West Portal Station, between West Portal Avenue and Wawona Street, will be held virtually on Friday, July 31, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

1. RESCIND – BUS ZONE

Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue to 75' easterly

ESTABLISH – NO STOPPING FIRE LANE

Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue to 20' easterly

ESTABLISH – WHITE ZONE 7 AM – 7 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY

Ulloa Street, south side, from 20' to 75' east of West Portal Avenue

These changes would rescind a bus zone, create a 20' fire-hydrant clear zone and a 55' white zone.

2. ESTABLISH – TRANSIT ZONE

A. Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue to Wawona Street

B. Ulloa Street, north side, from Lenox Way to Wawona Street

These changes would create new transit zones for the new LK interlined rail route, including ADA accessible platforms. On the south side, there would also be a new 48 bus stop, while removing a part-time white zone/bus zone and 2 part-time uncontrolled parking spaces. On the north side, the new LK stop would be shared with the 48 bus stop and remove one white zone.

3. ESTABLISH – WHITE ZONE

Lenox Way, from 20 to 45' north of Ulloa Avenue

ESTABLISH – GREEN ZONE

Lenox Way, from 45' to 90' north of Ulloa Avenue

ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN

Lenox Way, southbound at Ulloa Avenue

These changes would create a new white zone on Lenox Way, replacing the white zone that is being removed on the north side of Ulloa by the library entrance by shifting the existing green zone north. They also would make the existing AM-peak only left turn restriction in effect at all times.

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West Portal LK Transfer Project: Rescheduled Public Hearing due to technical difficulties at an earlier Public Hearing.



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Virtual Community Meeting / Public Hearing

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To view shared materials and to provide public comment at the meeting, join the online session and use your telephone for audio by using the phone instructions above. When prompted online, select "Don't join audio."

Proposed temporary changes include:

Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue easterly
Remove bus zone and create a 55-foot passenger loading zone.

Ulloa Street, south side, from West Portal Avenue to Wawona Street

Create new temporary transit zones for the LK and 48 Quintara/24th Street lines, including ADA accessible platforms, while removing a part-time passenger loading zone/part-time bus stop, and removing two part-time parking spaces.

Ulloa Street, north side, from Wawona Street to Lenox Way

Remove one passenger loading zone to create new temporary LK stop shared with 48 Quintara/24th Street.

Lenox Way, north of Ulloa Avenue

Create passenger loading zone and shift green zone northerly.

Lenox Way, southbound at Ulloa Avenue

Make existing left turn restriction in effect at all times.

Detailed legislation information is available at the SFMTA Engineering website or SFMTA.com/LKTransferProject. For more information, please contact Jerri Diep, Public Information Officer, at 415.646.2382 or email TellMuni@SFMTA.com.

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Church Street, northbound and southbound, from Market Street to 15th Street (local access to be maintained)

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Church Street, west side, from Market Street to 199 feet southerly

ESTABLISH – 30 MINUTE COMMERCIAL LOADING AT ALL TIMES
Church Street, east side, from 15th Street to 188 feet northerly
Church Street, west side, from 15th Street to 163 feet northerly

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Southbound Church Street at Market Street

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Eastbound Market Street at Church Street
Westbound 15th Street at Church Street

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Southbound Church Street at 15th Street

RESCIND – TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANY TIME
Church Street, east side from 122 feet to 216 feet south of Market Street

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15th Street, north side, from Church Street to 20 feet westerly
15th Street, south side, from 10 feet to 30 feet east of Church Street

ESTABLISH– GREEN METERS, 15-MINUTE TIME LIMIT, 9AM TO 6PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY
Market Street, south side, from 131 feet to 149 feet west of Church Street (metered space #2119)

PHASE 2 - PROPOSED LEGISLATION

This legislation will be implemented in addition to what would have already been implemented as part of Phase 1.

ESTABLISH – TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANY TIME

Church Street, west side, from 249 feet to 279 feet north of 14th Street

ESTABLISH – COMMERCIAL LOADING 8 AM to 11 AM, MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Church Street, west side, from 289 feet to 319 feet north of 14th Street (relocates the existing zone northerly)

ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN

Southbound Church Street, between 14th Street and Duboce Street (into the Safeway Plaza)

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J Church Transfer Improvements Project



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Proposed temporary changes would include:

August 2020 –The J Church route will resume service, running between Balboa Park Station and Market Street. Downtown customers will transfer to the T/M or S Shuttle lines at Market Street using accessible platforms. This transfer point will also serve customers connecting to the N Judah.

- Inbound and outbound boarding will occur on the existing Church Street boarding island between Market and 15th streets
- Church Street between Market and 15th streets will be reserved for transit, taxis, local access and commercial loading
- The 22 Fillmore route will continue through this segment of Church with no changes
- Turn restrictions proposed for this project can be found at [SFMTA.com/JTransferProject](https://www.sfcta.com/JTransferProject)

Fall 2020 –J Church service will be extended to Duboce Avenue when a new accessible platform is added to the boarding island on Church Street south of Duboce Avenue. A new boarding zone and accessible platform will be constructed on Church Street south of Market and will serve as the outbound first stop.

Detailed legislation is available at [SFMTA.com/JTransferProject](https://www.sfcta.com/JTransferProject). For more information, please contact Jonathan Streeter, Public Relations Officer, at 415.646.2109 or email TellMuni@SFMTA.com.

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Welcome!

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J Church Transfer Improvements and Shared Spaces Opportunities

Virtual Meeting and Public Hearing

July 25, 2020

Michael Rhodes, Project Manager

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us to learn more about and provide comment on the J Church Transfer Improvements Project.

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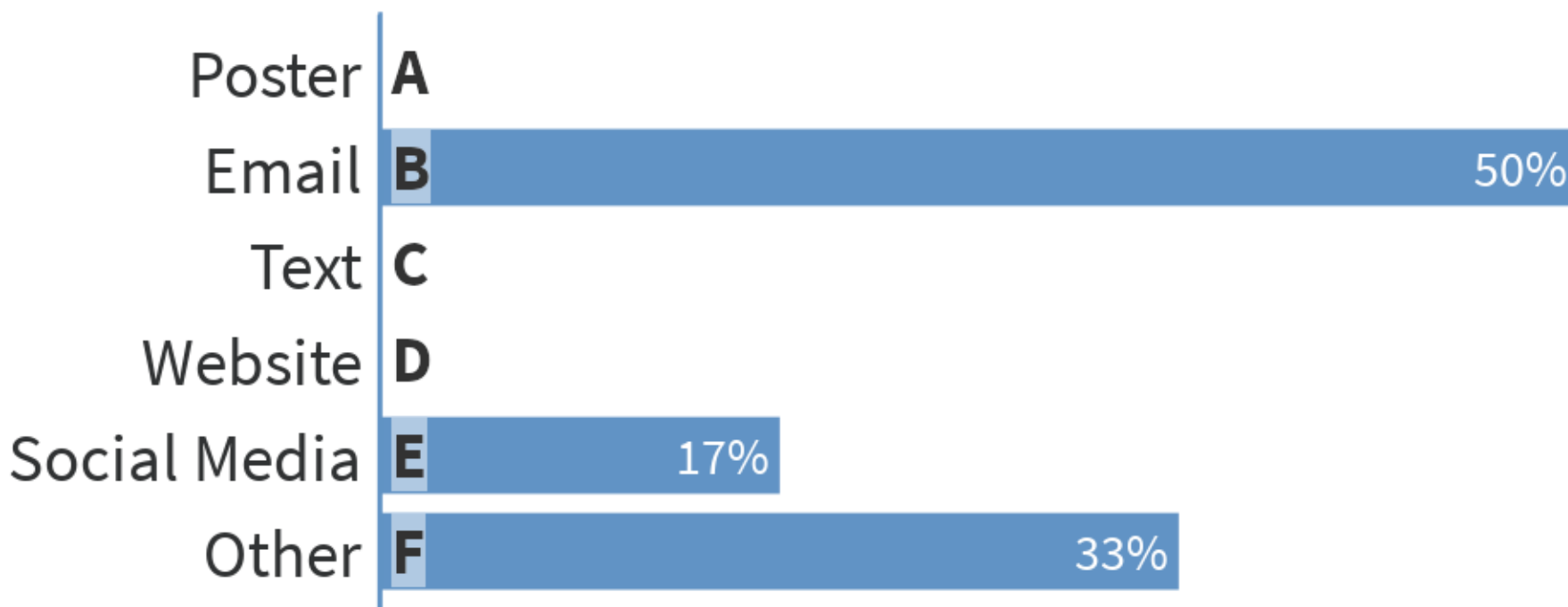
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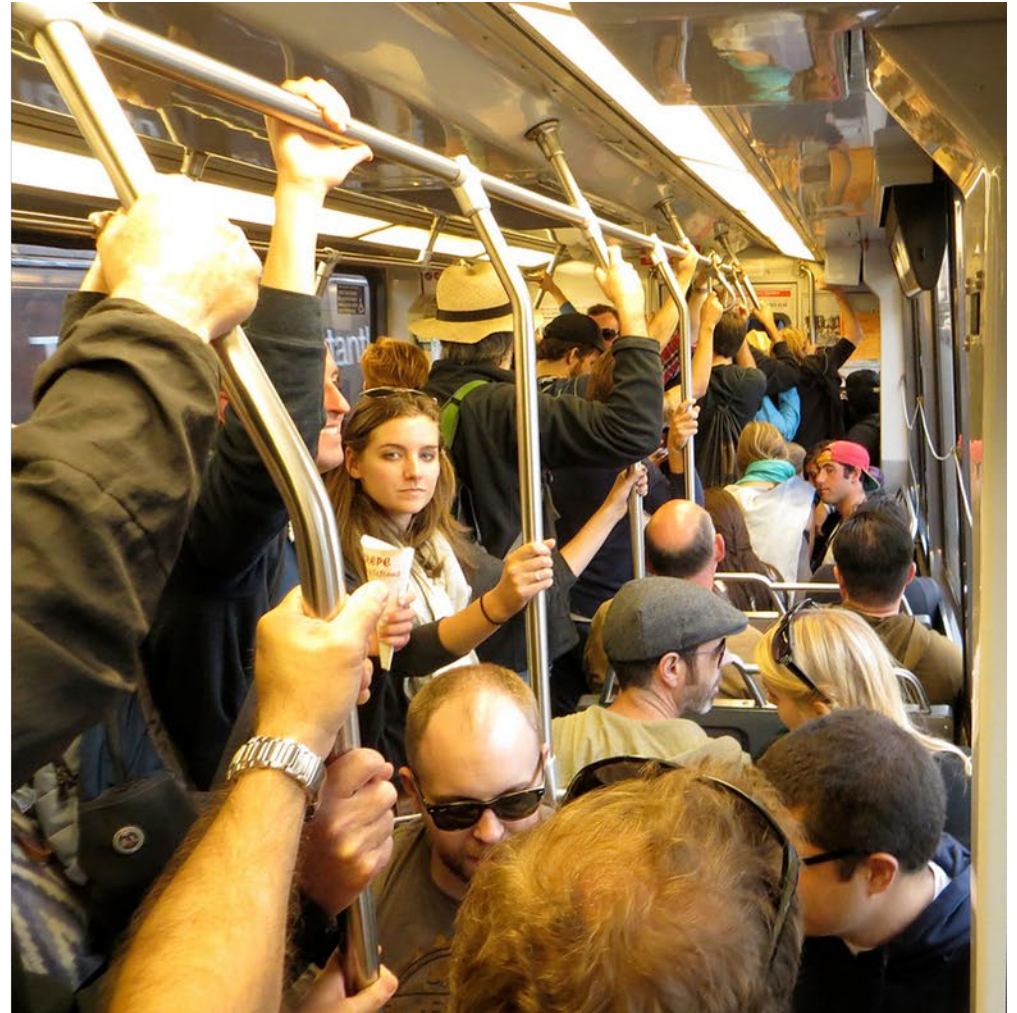
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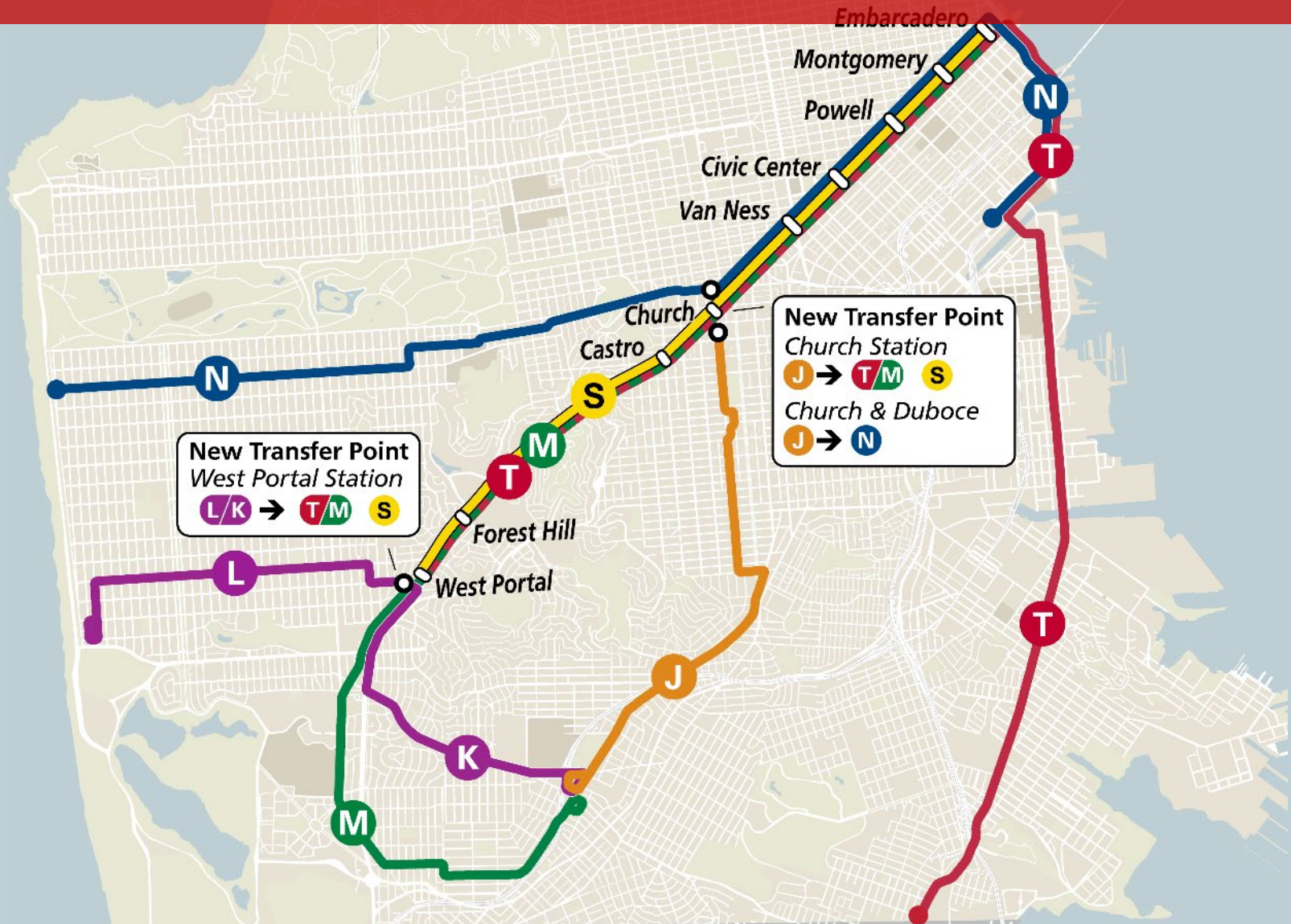
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J Church to Operate Above-Ground Only



J Church Transfer Improvements

Project Scope

- Temporary upgrades to pedestrian infrastructure on Church Street between 15th Street and Duboce
- Potential outdoor dining space on Church Street

Goals

- Ensure a seamless transfer, especially for people with disabilities
- Support local businesses with outdoor dining space, increased foot traffic, reliable transit service, and efficient commercial loading



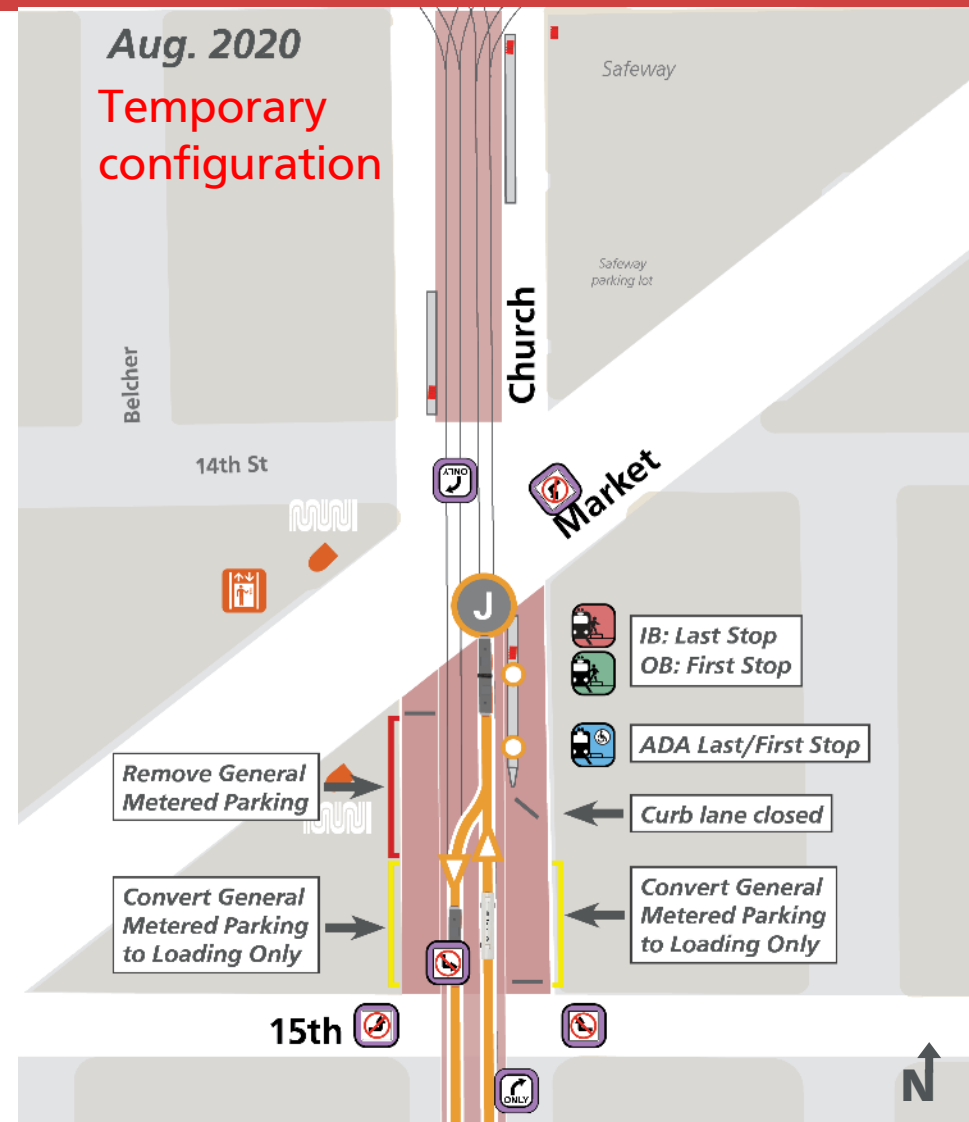
Phase 1 (August)

Proposed Initial Configuration

Temporarily uses existing accessible platform and boarding island as the last inbound and first outbound stop

Temporary traffic restrictions on Church between Market and 15th

- Create safe environment for passengers transferring between subway and J Church
- Reduce conflicts for J Church trains turning around to ensure reliability
- Maintain access for commercial loading and local access on Church Street, but other vehicles restricted



Phase 2 (Fall)

Proposed Medium-Term Temporary Configuration

New temporary accessible platforms

Service extended to Duboce Avenue to provide connection to N Judah

- New temporary accessible platform on Church at Duboce
- New temporary outbound stop on Church south of Market improves connection to subway
- Temporary traffic restrictions maintained between 15th and Market to continue providing safe transfer environment



Accessibility Improvements

- In order to accommodate surface-only configurations for the J Church, we would construct new temporary accessible platforms at Market and Duboce



Outdoor Dining and Retail Opportunities

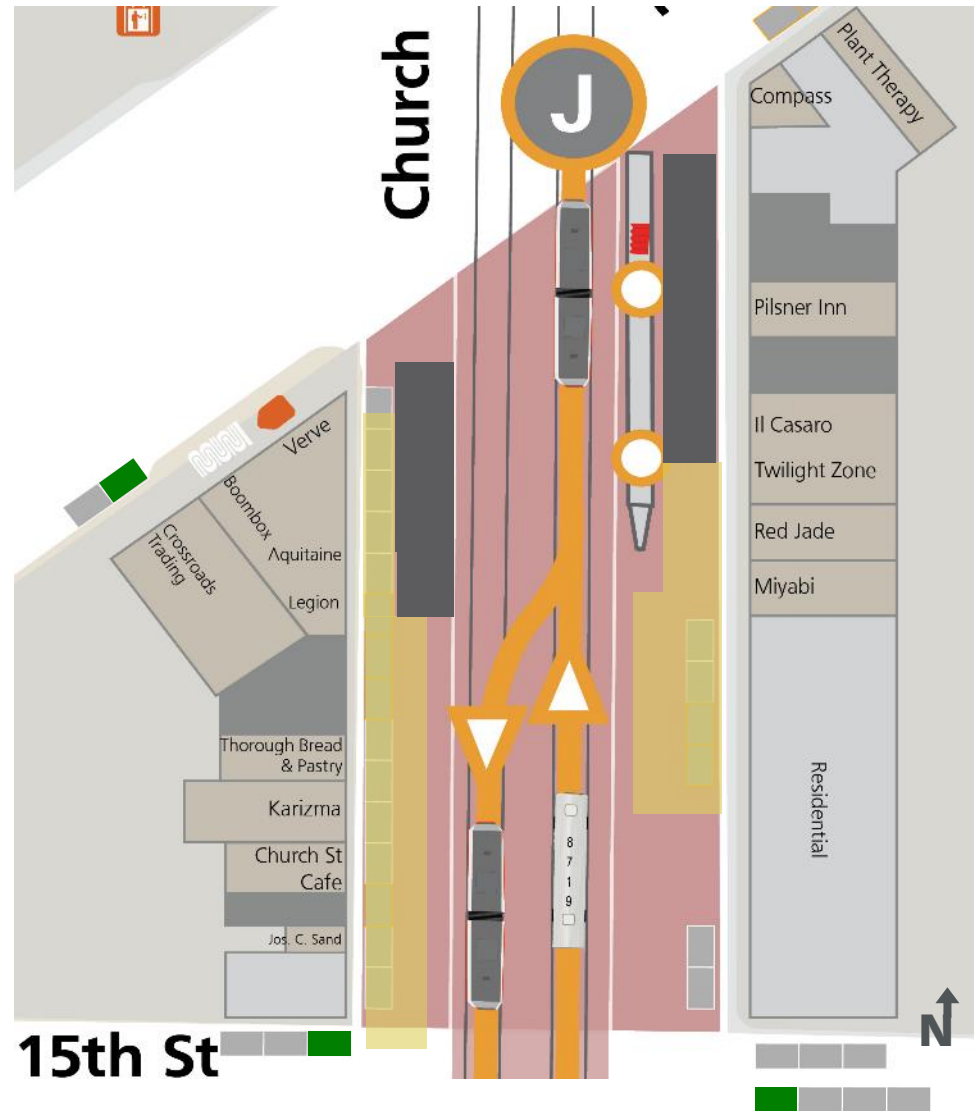


Outdoor Dining Opportunities

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Pedestrian zone

Potential dining zone



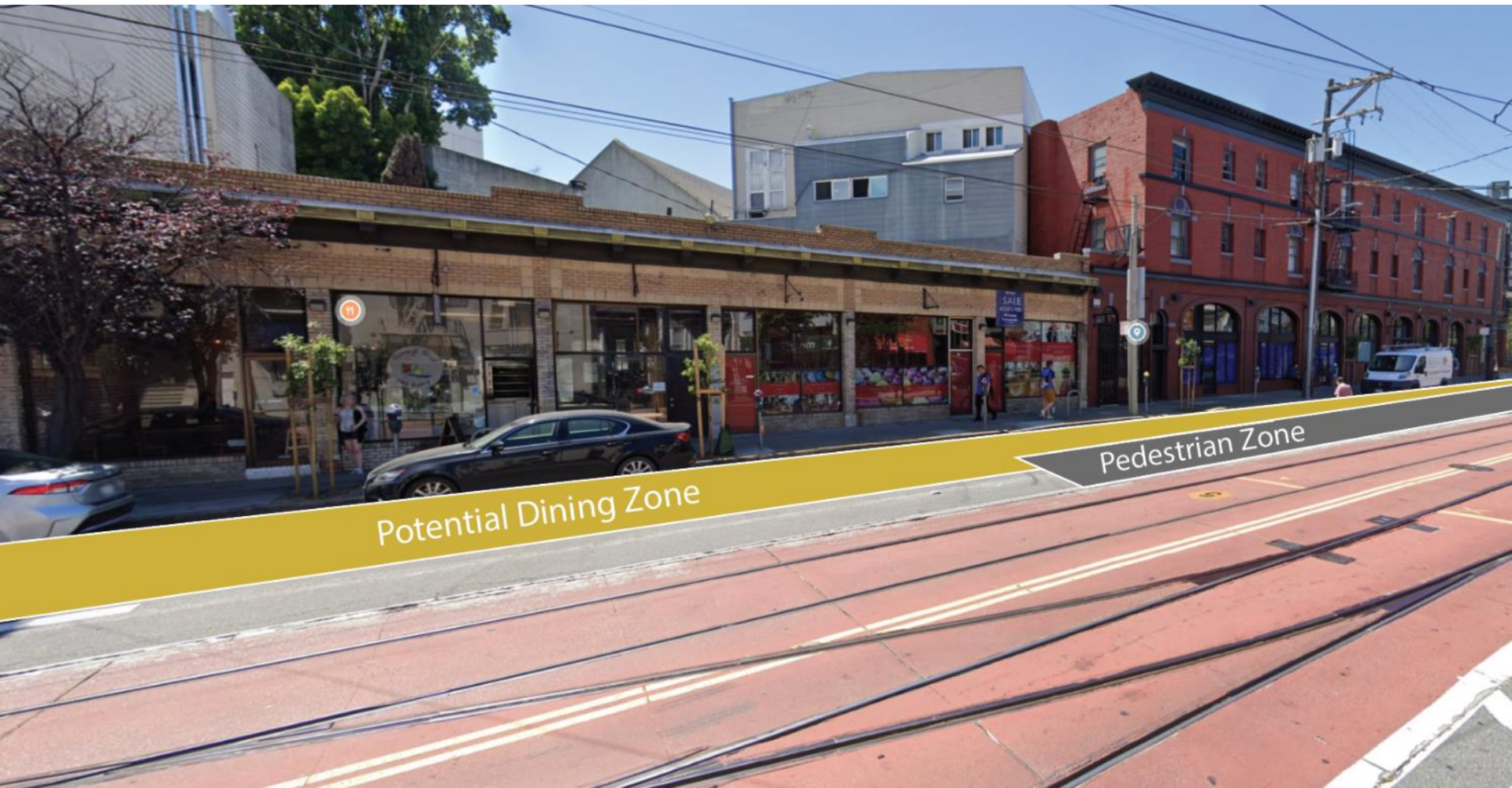
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Evaluation and Adjustments

- Community input will shape the evaluation framework, tools and monitoring, with a focus on public health, economic recovery and equity
- Proposal is temporary during the health crisis. Public engagement and evaluation will guide whether and what longer-term improvements are pursued, as well as any near-term adjustments.
- As we evaluate, which metrics are most important?



Photo taken before mask requirements

Approval and Installation Timeline

- SFMTA is pursuing temporary authorization for these changes as an emergency measure to support public health, safety and economic recovery
- **Today:** Traffic and parking changes considered at public hearing
- **Late August:** Phase 1 implemented for restoration of rail service; ongoing monitoring and evaluation begins
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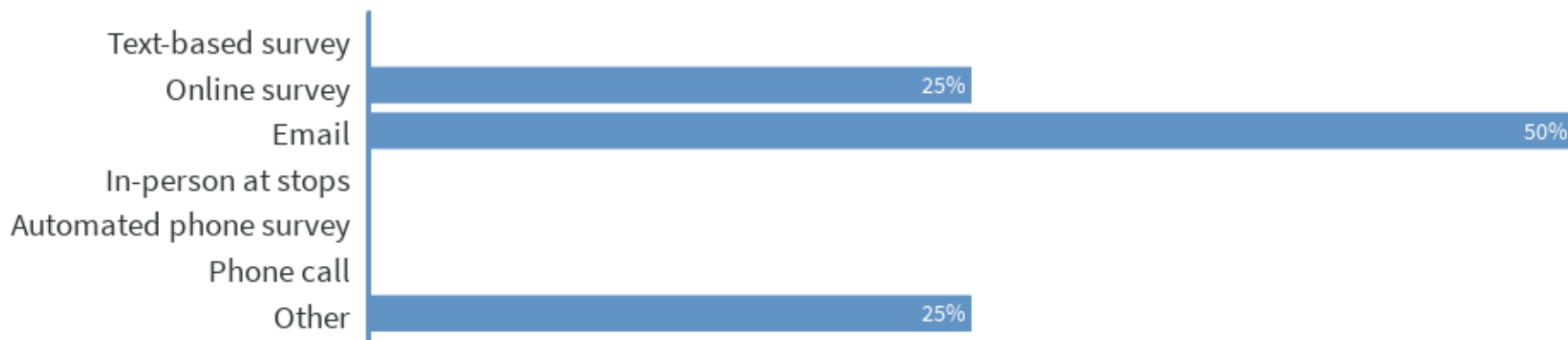




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What is your preferred way to give feedback on the proposed J Church Transfer Improvements?





Summary of Feedback

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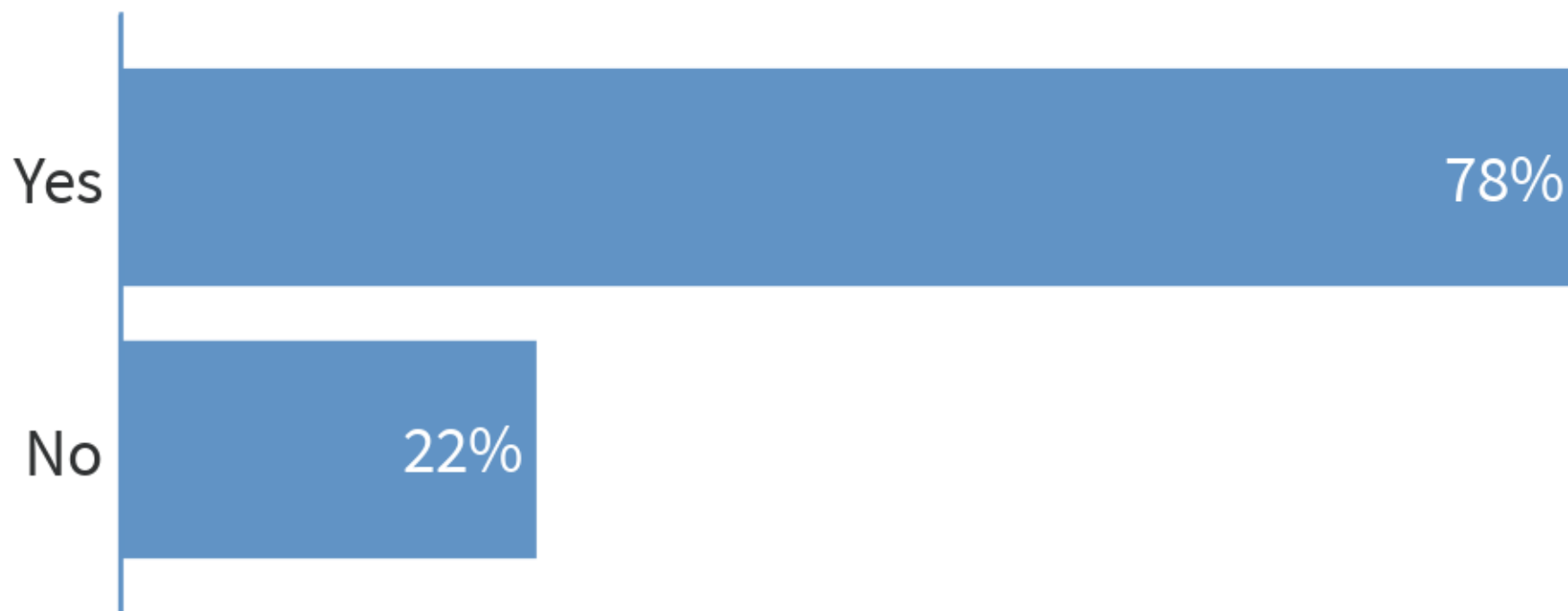




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Are the project proposals clear and easy to understand?



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Were your questions answered today?



Thank You

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7-25-20 David Pilpel MTA J Church Transfer Project Comments

1. **Procedures:** There should be written procedures for public hearings on Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes conducted under the authority delegated by the MTA Board to the City Traffic Engineer. Those written procedures should be posted on the MTA website, subject to public comment prior to adoption by the City Traffic Engineer, and take into account COVID-19 requirements, due process, environmental (including San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31 notice requirements), technical limitations (i.e. not everyone has computer or email access), and other issues. The adopted written procedures should be posted on the MTA website.
2. **Public Outreach:** The public outreach process for the public hearing should be summarized in a document posted on the MTA website and referred to during the hearing. This public outreach process summary should include a description of the notices prepared and sent; individuals and organizations contacted; presentations made; location and number of postings on street poles, Muni vehicles and facilities, and other locations; and dates of these outreach activities. All notices, postings, and presentations should be posted on the MTA website at least 72 hours prior to the public hearing.
3. **Transit:** The transit rationale for this project is flawed and unfair. Increased subway capacity is not needed right now due to significantly lower transit ridership at this time. Alternatives to increase subway capacity should be considered as transit ridership increases. By comparison, Mission Street transit riders are not carried from the Outer Mission to 16th Street, forced to offload and wait, and then transfer to another vehicle of the same type to continue the trip to downtown. Minimizing delay and dwell time in the subway, a worthwhile goal, can be accomplished by other means that have not been discussed publicly. Scheduling five lines every ten minutes, or six trips an hour, totals 30 trips an hour, less than the subway capacity, and should be operable without significant vehicle or passenger delay.
4. **Health:** In my opinion, forcing transit riders to transfer unnecessarily from one vehicle to another would expose them to the possibility of contacting or transmitting the COVID-19 virus. How the MTA assesses the health risks of proposed operating changes or projects has not been discussed publicly. I believe that this is a significant issue that needs to be addressed and discussed thoroughly at this time.
5. **Parking and Traffic:** The public hearing presentation (i.e. PowerPoint), including the proposed parking and traffic and transit changes, should be posted on the MTA website prior to the public hearing. Impacts on other vehicles, including commuter shuttle buses, fire, police, and other emergency vehicles, have not been discussed, nor the impacts on vehicle access to Safeway.
6. **Environmental:** No reference has been given for the environmental determination document for the proposed project, in apparent violation of San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31. I would like to comment on any environmental (CEQA) issues involved, which is my right during the public hearing process, but to do so I need to know in advance which document is at issue, as the law requires.
7. **Summary:** These comments and concerns should be addressed prior to proceeding further. I respectfully request that this hearing be held open for a reasonable period of time, perhaps the close of public comment on the West Portal LK Transfer Project, to allow additional comments to be submitted and for these and any other comments to be submitted by other means for those without email access.

Thanks. That's all I have for now. DP



Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes



With the economy reopening, traffic congestion is quickly returning and is projected to be above pre-COVID-19 levels. Meanwhile, every day about a hundred thousand people, many of them essential workers, continue to rely on Muni during his pandemic. These are the people most at risk when traffic congestion comes roaring back and gridlock threatens our streets. From our bus operators to grocery store and health-care providers, we are committed to getting essential workers to their destinations safely. Without action, transit dependent San Franciscans will bear the costs of traffic congestion, like an increased risk of exposure to COVID-19 on slower, more crowded buses.

Transportation is Required for Economic Recovery

Without transportation, there is no recovery. Our economy cannot function without employees being able to get to work and customers being able to access shops, restaurants and services. Muni must be an effective option that moves people who are dependent on transit while reducing traffic congestion for those who need to drive, and the delivery of goods, that our economy needs to get back on its feet.

Protecting Muni Customers with Transit Lanes

Creating temporary emergency transit lanes helps protect public health by reducing crowding and improving Muni customer travel times as buses are kept out of traffic. Transit lanes allow buses to complete routes in less time and return back into service more quickly, providing more service with the same number of buses. That means with our limited resources, Muni can pick up customers more frequently to reduce crowding and provide more space onboard to physically distance. Customers also reduce their possible exposure to COVID-19 when their travel time is shortened.

The SFMTA Board approved initial temporary emergency transit lanes on June 30, 2020.

They directed that future temporary transit lanes can be approved by the City Traffic Engineer's Office following a public hearing process.

For More Information

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Temporary Transit Lanes

Using ridership and travel time data, temporary emergency transit lanes benefit customers on four initial Muni routes which are critical to neighborhoods with high percentages of people of color and low-income households.

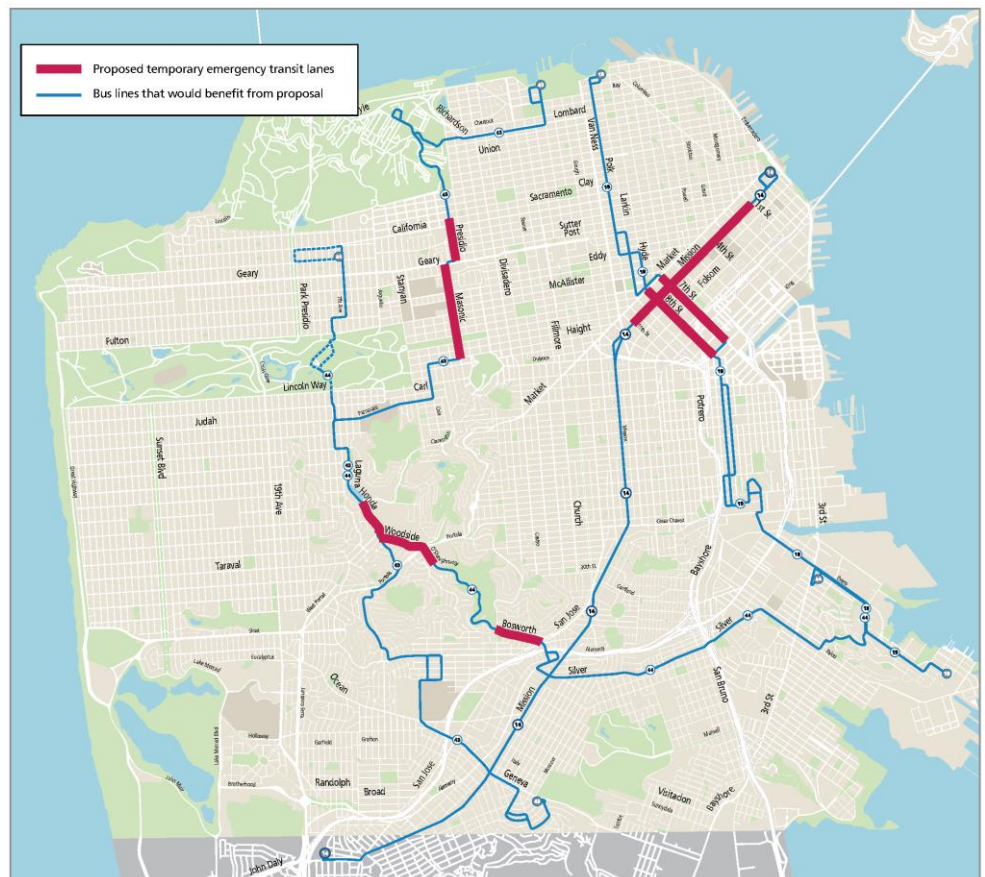
- 14 Mission: Mission Street in SoMa
- 19 Polk: 7th and 8th Streets in SoMa
- 43 Masonic and 44 O’Shaughnessy: Locations on Presidio, Masonic, Laguna Honda, Woodside, Bosworth streets

These key neighborhoods include Ingleside, Outer Mission, Excelsior, Visitacion Valley, Bayview, Mission, SoMa and the Tenderloin. Since improvements support more frequent service on the entire line, all passengers will benefit, even if the transit lane isn’t in their neighborhood. By design, the temporary emergency transit lanes will be striped only with white paint and identified with “Bus/Taxi Only” stenciling making them easily reversible. As a temporary measure, these lanes would be automatically removed 120 days after the emergency order is lifted, unless there is a public process to make a lane permanent. Additional temporary emergency transit lanes can be approved following a public hearing process.

On-the-Ground Evaluation and Real-Time Engagement

To prevent congestion from putting our customers at greater risk and paralyzing our economy, we cannot delay. It is critical that we install temporary emergency transit lanes starting in August, before traffic congestion returns in force. The urgent nature of this emergency calls for putting temporary measures into place, directly on the street. This approach allows the city to respond quickly to protect public health and support economic recovery while we work with the community to evaluate and adjust the temporary transit lanes in real time.

We will work with community-based organizations to ensure traditionally marginalized communities are prioritized in the decision-making. Community-based organizations, stakeholders and neighbors will be involved in shaping the framework and process for evaluating and adjusting the emergency transit lanes in real time. Based on public feedback and ongoing, on-the-ground data monitoring of the temporary transit lanes, we can tweak – or even remove lanes – to meet the needs of the community and Muni customers.



Map of initial temporary transit lanes and the bus lines that benefit.

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The Planning Department has reviewed and approved a fee waiver under Admin Code Section 31.22 for the CEQA Appeal being filed by David Pilpel with the BOS Clerk's Office regarding the MTA Emergency Temporary Transit Lanes and Bikeways Project.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

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