

1 [Urging removal of 3 parking spaces at corner of Fell and Masonic.]

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3 **Resolution urging the Department of Parking and Traffic to remove 3 parking**
4 **spaces on the south side of Fell Street at the intersection of Fell and Masonic**
5 **Avenue to create a 50 foot no parking zone, enabling greater visibility of cyclists**
6 **and pedestrians as motorists turn left**

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8 WHEREAS, There have been 23 reported collisions over the past four years at the
9 intersection of Fell and Masonic, and at least 5 bicyclists have been hit by motor
10 vehicles according to records kept by the Department of Parking and Traffic; and

11 WHEREAS, It is a goal of the City and County of San Francisco to provide a safe
12 and continuous bicycle and pedestrian network to destinations throughout the City; and

13 WHEREAS, The Panhandle Pathway was recently repaved and widened thanks to
14 the diligent efforts of Peter Tannen and the rest of the City's Bicycle Program, resulting
15 in increased use by bicyclists, pedestrians, and in-line skaters at the Fell and Masonic
16 intersection; and

17 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors lauds the efforts of
18 volunteers with the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition and Walk San Francisco who have
19 been acting as crossing guards to safely escort cyclists and pedestrians across this
20 hazardous intersection in the interim before a dedicated signal phase can be
21 established; and

22 WHEREAS, The Department of Parking and Traffic has identified interim
23 measures to increase public safety immediately and these have been funded by the
24 Transportation Authority, including crosswalk repainting, an advance phase for
25 pedestrians and cyclists, an advance stop, as well as further improvements that have

1 been identified and may be implemented in a second phase of this project in the near
2 future; and

3 WHEREAS, Public comment during the Bicycle Plan Update community outreach
4 process favored implementation of two separate signal phases: one for traffic turning
5 left from Fell onto Masonic and one for Panhandle non-motorized traffic; and

6 WHEREAS, The three parking spaces in question, when occupied, obstruct
7 visibility of approaching cyclists and pedestrians when a vehicle is turning left; and

8 WHEREAS, The Department of Parking and Traffic has agreed that removal of the
9 3 parking spaces in question is necessary and will increase visibility and safety;
10 therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Department of Parking and
12 Traffic to remove the 3 parking spaces on the south side of Fell Street, creating a fifty
13 foot no-parking zone starting 10 feet east of the Masonic Intersection, to be
14 implemented in accordance with the California Vehicle Code and the San Francisco
15 Traffic Code.

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