RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION City and County of San Francisco Resolution Number 2203-001

GOLDEN GATE PARK ACCESS AND SAFETY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission is committed to achieving Vision Zero goals of car-free streets; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission is committed to making San Francisco a Transit First city that prioritizes non-private automobile transportation; and

WHEREAS, The Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program aims to improve traffic safety, improve bicycle connectivity, and expand public open space in Golden Gate Park; and

WHEREAS, The Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program follows extensive public outreach, including through notifications to residents and owners of property abutting the streets that are proposed to be closed to private vehicles and through a publicly available internet website that has information about the closures and instructions for participating in the public engagement process, and the public received the opportunity to comment on the proposed vehicle restrictions at numerous public meetings, site tours, community events including at this hearing; and

WHEREAS, The overall public opinion for the vehicle-restricted streets in Golden Gate Park during the COVID-19 pandemic has been positive and supportive to continue these vehicle restrictions in the future; and

WHEREAS, The streets proposed to be restricted are no longer needed for private vehicle traffic, and the restriction would leave a sufficient portion of the streets in the surrounding area for other public uses, including vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle traffic; and

WHEREAS, The proposed restriction on private vehicles would be necessary for the safety and protection of persons who are to use those streets during the restriction; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission action at this hearing does not constitute an approval of the Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act, (CEQA); rather, it is a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department has reviewed the Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program under CEQA to assist the Board of Supervisors' decision whether to approve the Program, and that determination was before the Recreation and Park Commission at this hearing, for informational purposes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission supports the Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program, which includes restricting private vehicles on street segments in Golden Gate Park including on JFK Drive to implement slow streets, creating new bicycle facilities, making certain streets segments one-way and making additional policy improvements associated with improving Park accessibility, equity, and mobility as described in this staff report to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Recreation and Park Commission urges the Board of Supervisors to adopt the Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program, as described herein; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission directs staff to consider options for future taxi access to park institutions.

Adopted by the	following vote
Ayes	5
Noes	2
Absent	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at the Recreation and Park Commission meeting held on March 10, 2022.

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Ashley Summers, Commission Liaison