# OneBayArea Grant Application 

## Longfellow Elementary School Safe Routes to School Project

Submitted by the San Francisco Department of Public Works To the San Francisco County Transportation Authority April 29, 2013

# 2012 San Francisco OneBayArea Grant（OBAG）Application 

Due：4：00 pm，Friday，October 26， 2012
Revised April 29， 2013

## A．PROJECT INFORMATION

Project name：Longfellow Elementary School Safe Routes to School Project
Sponsor agency：San Francisco Department of Public Works
Brief Description of Project（a short paragraph or about 50 words）
This project will construct a total of six pedestrian bulb－outs at the intersections of Mission and Whittier Streets，Mission Street and Whipple Avenue，and Mission and Lowell Streets，as well as Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at the intersection of Mission Street and Whipple Avenue．The work is based on needs identified in a Safe Routes to Schools Walking Audit of Longfellow Elementary School．The total project cost is $\$ 774,636$ ，with $\$ 670,307$ proposed in OBAG funding．

B．PROJECT ELIGIBILITY（Check all that apply，and fill in the blanks as applicable．）

| Program Type |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Transportation for Livable Communities | $\square$ |
| Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements | $\square$ |
| Local Streets and Roads | $\square$ |
| Safe Routes to School | 区 |
| All Programs |  |
| The project is a fully funded stand－alone capital project with a usable segment． | 区 |
| Sponsor has a Master Agreement with Caltrans with an expiration date of： | Agreement dated 8／28／2007－ no expiration date． |
| The OBAG funding request is at least $\$ 500,000$ ． | 区 |
| The project is consistent with the adopted Regional Transportation Plan and the Countywide Transportation Plan． <br> Sponsor will receive construction E－76 from Caltrans by March 31 of： | 区 |
| $2014 \square 2015$ 区 | $2016 \square$ |
| Local Streets and Roads Only |  |
| The project is on the Federal－Aid system． | $\square$ |
| The project selection is based on the analysis results from San Francisco＇s certified （i．e．DPW＇s）Pavement Management System． <br> （For pavement rehabilitation）The project location＇s PCI is： | $\square$ |


| （For preventative maintenance）The project will extend the useful life of the facility <br> by the following number of years： |
| :--- |
| Safe Routes to School Only |
| The project is coordinated with San Francisco SR2S Coalition and has a signed <br> letter of support from a school administrator from the selected school． |

For each unchecked item，please justify the project＇s eligibility： $\qquad$
C．PROJECT PRIORITIZATION（Check all that apply，or fill in the blanks as applicable．）
See the Authority＇s OBAG website（www．sfcta．org／obag）for links to resources that correspond to the criteria below．

| High Priority Location | Area name |
| :---: | :---: |
| Priority Development Area（PDA） | ® Mission－San Jose Corridor |
| Project is not within PDA but provides a proximate access． | $\square$ |
| Community of Concern | ® Crocker－Amazon |
| CARE Community | 凹 Eastern San Francisco |
| High Impact Project Area | 区 |
| Complete Streets and Safety | Location name／number （street／intersection／route） |
| Key Walking Street | 凹 Mission Street |
| Pedestrian High Injury Corridor | $\square$ |
| Weighted high injury score for each street segment： | 2－5 injuries at Mission and Whipple， 1－2 and Mission and Lowell |
| Better Streets Plan typology of the project location： | Commercial Throughway |
| The project complies with the Better Streets Plan guidelines． | 区 |
| Bicycle Route Network | $\square$ |
| Bicycle High Collision Intersection | $\square$ |
| Number of bicycle collisions at each intersection in 2009 － 2011 |  |
| Transit Route（s） | 凹 Mission Street |
| Operator，route number and name（e．g．Muni 14－Mission） | Muni 14－Mission，Muni 14L－Mission Limited，Muni 14X－Mission Express， Muni 88－BART Shuttle，BART |
| Muni Rapid Network | 凹 Mission Street |
| Agency Priority |  |
| The SFMTA has ranked all elementary schools for Safe Routes to School projects and Longfellow Elementary is in its 3rd priority tier，out of 5 tiers． |  |
| Planning and Community Support |  |

The project has clear and diverse community support as evidenced in:
Letters of support (check if attached)
Adopted plans (specify plan title and page number)
Walking audits (for SR2S; specify school and date)
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| SRTS Coalition, School <br> Principal |
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|  |
| Longfellow Elementary; May <br> 27,2010 |
| Walking audit participants <br> informed of plan for bulbs <br> after audit. |

## Project Readiness

Please describe coordination with other independent projects that may impact the proposed project schedule (e.g. sewer replacement), if any.

There are no independent projects expected in the area within the project timeframe.
Please provide a description of the CEQA and NEPA clearance strategies for the project, including the dates that each clearance was received or is anticipated to be received.

As per the revised funding plan, we will use OBAG and Prop K local match for the environmental phase of this project. For that reason work will commence in January 2014 and be completed in June 2014. We anticipate that the project be categorically exempt/ categorically excluded.
If the project has an impact on city landmarks, historic districts, and/or conservation districts, please describe what steps sponsor has taken to ensure the project's compliance with historical district requirements:
$N / A$
If the project will generate a significant traffic and parking impact (e.g. parking removal), please provide an impact analysis (if completed) or a plan for conducting the analysis:

The bulb-outs will remove parking near all three intersections. However, the impact will be minimal and will not need an impact analysis.
D. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

1. Please provide the following information for all involved agencies.

| Phase | Agency | Brief Scope / Responsibility | Phase <br> Lead? | Contractor <br> Use? |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Pre- <br> Development/Planning | SFMTA | Develop and plan the project | $\boxtimes$ | $\square$ |
| PE Environmental | SFMTA | Obtain environmental clearance-CEQA and <br> NEPA | $\boxtimes$ | $\square$ |
| PE Environmental | DPW | Lead on Caltrans paperwork submissions. | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| PE Design | SFMTA | Conceptual design of bulbs- overall <br> dimensions, parking impacts, legislation, etc. | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| PE Design | DPW | Detailed design of bulbs. Caltrans paperwork. <br> Securing Prop K funding. | $\boxtimes$ | $\square$ |
| CON Construction | SFMTA | Perform any necessary sign and paint work. <br> Assist with any needed community outreach. | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| CON Construction | DPW | Hire and oversee contractor. Caltrans <br> paperwork and Prop K funding request. | $\boxtimes$ | $\boxtimes$ |

2. Describe project development activities planned between the Part One and Part Two calls for projects, including likely schedule and approach for the required community meeting. Indicate how project development will be funded, including proposed Prop K amounts and categories, as appropriate and needed for this purpose.
Project development was funded by SFMTA. The SFMTA beld a community meeting in February 2013. Principal Carrie Betti, PTA President and SRTS Liaison Brenda Garcia, teachers, parents, and SFMTA/DPW were in attendance. The SFMT A presented the proposal to install bulbouts at the intersections of Mission/Naglee/Lowell, Mission/Whipple, and Mission/Whittier, as well as flasbing beacons at the intersection of Mission/Whipple. The proposal received positive support. The following items were discussed:

The community ranked the proposed project intersections based on their safety concerns, in case any unforeseen complications arise and a specific bulbout is no longer feasible:

1. Mission/Whipple (most concern)
2. Mission/Naglee/Lowell
3. Mission/Whittier (least concern)

Speed surveys do not warrant speed bumps on Morse or Lowell. Community asked about rumble strips, and we responded that they are not ideal because of the noise factor and constant maintenance.

The community is concerned about overall traffic operation at the intersection of Mission/Naglee/Lowell. Split phasing may not be ideal because it will likeely require additional hardware or may increase the signal cycle length; we will forvard this request to Operations section in Traffic Engineering.

The community is concerned about pick-up/drop off operation and parents leaving their vehicle unattended, which blocks traffic. We bave added enforcement staff to the crossing guard program to help with traffic circulation.

The community asked if we bad any flyers to distribute for school safety.
3. Describe the funding plan and identify the responsible agency for ongoing maintenance of the project, including but not limited to lighting and landscaping.

The Planning phase $(\$ 17,483$ ) was funded by MTA. We are requesting $\$ 670,307$ in $O B A G$ funding for the environmental, design, and construction phases, which would be matched with $\$ 86,846$ in local funds, likely from Prop K. DPW will maintain the bulb-outs after project completion. Maintenance requirements will be minimal.
E. PROJECT SCHEDULE

| Project Phase | Start Date <br> (Month, Year) | End Date <br> (Month, Year) |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Planning/Conceptual Engineering | December 2012 | March 2013 |
| Environmental Studies | January 2014 | June 2014 |
| ROW Activities/Acquisition |  | June 2014 |
| Design Engineering | March 2014 | September 2014 |
| Advertise Construction | --- | January 2015 |
| Award Construction Contract | --- | March 2015 |
| Construction | April 2015 | August 2015 |
| Project Closeout | --- | August 2016 |

## F. BUDGET

Please separate out the budget for each involved agency. Only include budget information for project costs following selection of initial OBAG project list.

| Planning / Conceptual Engineering (project dev. phase, December 2012 - April 2013) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Agency: SFMTA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Position (Title and Classification) | Hours | Hourly Salary | Overhead Rate | Hourly <br> Burdened | FTE |  | Cost |
| 5364 Engineering Associate | 16 | \$37.463 | 2.88 | \$108.02 | 0.0077 | \$ | 1,728 |
| 5201 Junior Engineer | 24 | \$40.100 | 2.86 | \$114.82 | 0.0115 | \$ | 2,756 |
| 5207 Associate Engineer | 18 | \$52.725 | 2.79 | \$146.93 | 0.0087 | \$ | 2,645 |
| 5241 Engineer | 6 | \$61.025 | 2.76 | \$168.28 | 0.0029 | \$ | 1,010 |
| 5211 Senior Engineer | 2 | \$70.650 | 2.73 | \$193.03 | 0.0010 | \$ | 386 |
| Agency: DPW |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5203 Assistant Engineer | 75 | \$45.325 | 2.64 | \$119.45 | 0.0361 | \$ | 8,959 |
| Planning / Conceptual Engineering Total |  |  |  |  | 0.0678 | \$ | 17,483 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Environmental |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agency: SFMTA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Position (Title and Classification) | Hours | Hourly <br> Salary | Overhead Rate | Hourly <br> Burdened | FTE |  | Cost |
| 5203 Assistant Engineer | 53 | \$45.325 | 2.83 | \$128.31 | 0.0255 | \$ | 6,800 |
| 5207 Associate Engineer | 8 | \$52.725 | 2.79 | \$146.93 | 0.0038 | \$ | 1,175 |
| Environmental Total |  |  |  |  | 0.0293 | \$ | 7,976 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Design Phase |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Position (Title and Classification) | Hours | Hourly <br> Salary | Overhead Rate | Hourly <br> Burdened | FTE |  | Cost |
| Agency: SFMTA   <br> 年   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5203 Assistant Engineer | 258 | \$45.325 | 2.83 | \$128.31 | 0.1240 | \$ | 33,104 |
| 5207 Associate Engineer | 115 | \$52.725 | 2.79 | \$146.93 | 0.0553 | \$ | 16,897 |
| Agency: DPW |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5241 Full Engineer | 180 | \$61.025 | 2.64 | \$160.83 | 0.0865 | \$ | 28,949 |
| 5203 Assistant Engineer | 1080 | \$45.325 | 2.64 | \$119.45 | 0.5192 | \$ | 129,005 |
| 5211 Senior Engineer | 10 | \$70.650 | 2.64 | \$186.19 | 0.0048 | \$ | 1,862 |
| Design Total |  |  |  |  | 0.7899 | \$ | 209,817 |



## G. FUNDING PLAN



## H. ATTACHMENTS

Please include the following required attachments, and other attachments as applicable.

1. Scope narrative that identifies project goals and benefits, describes project elements that benefit each mode (bike, walking, transit, auto), and highlights any creative elements that integrate benefits for multiple users
2. Maps, charts, drawings or other materials that are necessary to show the detail
and context of the project
3. Letters of support
4. Justification for proximate access to a PDA
I. CONTACT AND SIGNATURE

Sponsor Agency - Project Manager


Sponsor Agency - Grant Manager
Name, title


## Other Partner Agencies

| Agency | Design leads (name, title) | Telephone | Email |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| SFMTA | Cesario Agudelo, Asst Engineer | 415.701 .4596 | Cesario.Agudelo@sfmta.com |

## Attachment 1

## Scope

Longfellow Elementary School is located at 755 Morse Street in the Crocker Amazon Neighborhood of San Francisco. Of the school's 600 students, roughly 35 percent walk to school. Situated just south of Mission Street, Longfellow Elementary is in an MTC Community of Concern and in close proximity to affordable housing. The school and surrounding area are accessible by several Muni routes, which are all part of the Mission Street MUNI Rapid Network and connections to BART. Many students and adults using transit to enter and exit the area access that transit on foot and will benefit from pedestrian safety improvements.

The proposed project will construct pedestrian bulb-outs and upgrade curb ramps at the intersections of Mission and Whittier Streets, Mission Street and Whipple Avenue, and Mission and Lowell Streets; install rectangular rapid flashing beacons at the intersection of Mission Street and Whipple Avenue; and provide landscaping, if feasible, near Longfellow Elementary School. Mission Street is a $58^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}$ wide street, with four travel lanes, two in each direction, and traffic volumes of 14,000 vehicles per day. The intersections of Mission and Whittier Streets and Mission Street and Lowell Street/Naglee Avenue are signalized, while the intersection of Mission Street and Whipple Avenue is two-way STOP controlled.

As a result of a Longfellow Elementary School Walking Audit that took place in May 2010, the following measures have already been implemented to improve the safety around the school:

- Installed red zones on Mission Street and Whipple Avenue to improve visibility at the uncontrolled crossing.
- Installed advance yield and limit lines at the school crossing on Mission Street and Whipple Avenue.
- Adjusted pedestrian signal times at Mission and Whittier Streets and Mission Street and Lowell Street/Naglee Avenue to ensure sufficient pedestrian crossing times.
- Installed 15 mph speed limit signs on streets adjacent to Longfellow Elementary School.

Additionally, a recommendation was made in the Longfellow Elementary Walking Audit to construct pedestrian bulb-outs. Bulb-outs extend the curbs toward the center of the roadway and are used to narrow the roadway and create shorter pedestrian crossings. Bulb-outs improve sight distance by making pedestrians waiting to cross the street more visible. They also influence driver behavior by changing the appearance of the street. For instance, they prevent speeding turns by sharpening the corner curves.

Because of the high number of students who walk to Longfellow Elementary School the community strongly supports the installation of the bulb-outs at the intersections of Mission and Whittier Streets, Mission Street and Whipple Avenue, and Mission and Lowell Streets. Community support is evident with the inclusion of letters of support from both the Principal of Longfellow Elementary School and the Safe Routes to School Coalition, which is comprised of the SF Department of Public Health, SF Environment, Presidio YMCA Bike Program, SF Bicycle Coalition, SF Unified School District and Walk San Francisco.

## Attachments

- Maps
- Photos
- Longfellow Elementary Support Letter (October 2012)
- Safe Routes to School SF Support Letter (October 2012)


Attachment 2

## Maps and Photos



Aerial Map


## Current Conditions



Eastbound Mission Street at Whittier Street


Westbound Mission Street at Whittier Street


Eastbound Mission Street at Whipple Avenue


Westbound Mission Street at Whipple Avenue


Eastbound Mission Street at Lowell Street/Naglee Avenue


[^0]Proposed Project

$\longleftarrow$ : Proposed Bulb-Out Location

## Attachment 3

## Letters of Support

## Longfellow Elementary

755 Morse Street
San Francisco, CA 94121
Phone: 469-4730 Fax: 469-4068

October 15, 2012
MTC
101 Eighth Street
Oakland, CA 94607

To Whom It May Concem:
As the principal of Longfellow Elementary School, I am writing to express my full support for the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) Longfellow One Bay Area (OBAG) grant application.

Longfellow has over 600 students, of whom roughly 35 percent walk to school. Our school is located just south of Mission Street, which is a busy vehicular corridor with a high number of student pedestrians. Furthermore, the side streets along Mission Street create intersections that vary widely from the standard four-legged intersection. This traffic, along with the unique physical geometry, can be intimidating for our students and can discourage their parents from letting their children walk, bike, or take transit to school.

The proposed changes in this grant application will help create a safer environment that will allow our students to safely walk along Mission Street and cross at Whittier Street, Whipple Avenue, and Lowell Street. The bulb-outs at these intersections will sharpen the comer curves to prevent speeding tums, shorten crossing distances, and make pedestrians waiting to cross the street more visible. These improvements will not only benefit the students at our school, but the whole community - one that is often dependent on walking, biking, and public transportation. Traffic congestion is a concem of ours at drop off and pick up each day, without bulb-outs it really creates unsafe street conditions, which detours families from walking or riding bikes to school.

I enthusiastically endorse the application and encourage your funding of the project. We hope the proposed improvements will help us improve safety and help us encourage more students to walk or bike to school.

Sincerely,

## Carrie Bett

## Carrie Betti

Principal
www.sfsaferoutes.org
Program Partners
SF Dept of Public Health
SF Environment

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San Francisco County Transit Authority
1455 Market Street, $22^{\text {nd }}$ Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
October 24, 2012

Dear OBAG Grant Administrator,

On behalf of the San Francisco Safe Routes to School Partnership, we would like to express our support for the following project proposals being submitted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency for OBAG Safe Routes to School infrastructure funding:

1) The proposed bulb-outs to the intersection of Bacon/Goettingen near ER Taylor Elementary School;
2) The proposed bulb-outs to three intersections surrounding Longfellow Elementary School, as well as the possibility of installing a beacon at the intersection of Mission and Whipple, and/or speed humps if the school prioritizes this need; and
3) The proposed expansion of a larger Broadway corridor project to improve the block directly in front of Jean Parker Elementary, including lengthening the median, installing pedestrian refuge areas at the intersection on Broadway at Powell Street, and greening the area.

We support these projects with the hope that they will include greening aspects as well as the proposed infrastructure improvements.

These projects support the work that the Safe Routes to School Partnership has been doing to enhance children's safety while walking and biking to increase their health and well-being, ease traffic congestion near schools, improve air quality, and improve community member's overall quality of life.

ER Taylor and Longfellow Elementary are two of the largest elementary schools in the district and rank high on our priority list for SRTS infrastructure projects. These schools currently have on-site SRTS noninfrastructure programming that would directly benefit from these proposed infrastructure projects.

Jean Parker ranks number one on our priority list for SRTS infrastructure projects with dangerous street conditions and a high number of students walking who would significantly benefit from the proposed project.

For these reasons, we encourage you to fund these proposed projects.
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Sincerely,


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Melanie Nutter
Director, SF Environment


Branch Manager, Presidio YMCA Bike Program


Chief Facilities Officer, SF Unified School District


Executive Director, Walk San Francisco


[^0]:    Westbound Mission Street at Naglee Avenue

