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DPW Order No: 184466

Recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve legislation reducing the official sidewalk width of certain locations along Van Ness Avenue, between the intersection of South Van Ness Avenue and Mission Street on the south, to Van Ness Avenue and North Point Street on the north, as shown on Department of Public Works drawings Q-20-817.

At the request of the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), the City and County Surveyor and Public Works staff, performed an investigation into the reduction of the official sidewalk width at the intersections listed below, as shown on the enclosed Department of Public Works drawing Q-20-817. The proposed sidewalk changes are associated with the Van Ness Corridor Transit Improvement Project. This area will become an integral part of the MUNI "Rapid" transit network. The goal of the proposed reductions in the official sidewalk width is to comply with ADA requirements, promote pedestrian safety and comfort, and enhance the urban design of Van Ness Avenue.

The Van Ness Corridor Transit Improvement Project will implement the first Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service to improve transit reliability for the 47 and 49 MUNI routes and provide reliable transit connections to transfer routes. Changes are expected to reduce transit travel times by over thirty percent. The curbs at all intersections are being reconstructed to modernize the existing accessibility infrastructure. Also, this project will promote pedestrian safety and comfort, and enhance the urban design of Van Ness Avenue.

The following list consist of intersection with proposed sidewalk changes along Van Ness Avenue, starting from the intersection of South Van Ness Avenue and Mission Street, to Van Ness Avenue and North Point Street:

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1. South Van Ness Avenue and 12 th Street	1 of 15
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11. Van Ness Avenue and Pine Street	11 of 15
12. Van Ness Avenue and California Street	12 of 15
13. Van Ness Avenue and Sacramento Street	13 of 15
14. Van Ness Avenue and Washington Street	14 of 15
15. Van Ness Avenue and Green Street	15 of 15

No objections were received from affected City Agencies, nor from private utility companies. The Department of Public Works has documentation on file indicating that affected City departments and private utility companies, do not object to the sidewalk width change.

On May 22, 2014, the Transportation Advisory Staff Committee (TASC) approved the proposed design and location of the bulb-outs.

On October 8, 2015, the City Planning Department found that the proposed changes are, on balance, consistent with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1. See City Planning Department Case No. 2014.001204GPR.

Public Works hereby transmits the following documents to the Board of Supervisors:

1. One (1) copy of the proposed Ordinance changing the official sidewalk width of the various intersections and street sides along Van Ness Avenue between Mission Street and North Point Street, as shown on Department of Public Works drawings Q-20-817.
2. One (1) sets of said drawing showing the proposed change of official sidewalk as described above.
3. Planning Department General Plan findings and determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt this Ordinance.

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