



Geary Community Advisory Committee

March 16, 2021

Order of Business

1. Call to order
2. Virtual meeting etiquette
3. Roll call
4. Approval of minutes – [January 19, 2021](#)
5. Public comment
6. Geary Rapid – Project update
7. Geary Rapid – Implementation update
8. Geary Rapid – Outreach update
9. Geary Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes update
10. Long-Range Planning Update
11. Adjourn

2. Virtual Meeting Etiquette

- Microsoft Teams – download for desktop or mobile at: www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/download-app
- Key functions: mute/unmute, raise hand, chat
- Please stay on mute unless called on to speak by Chair

3. Roll Call

4. Approval of Minutes

- January 19, 2021

5. Public Comment

- See Public Comment Policy on back of agenda.
- Public comment for matters within the Geary Community Advisory Committee jurisdiction and are not on today's calendar.
- Public comment is limited to two minutes each.

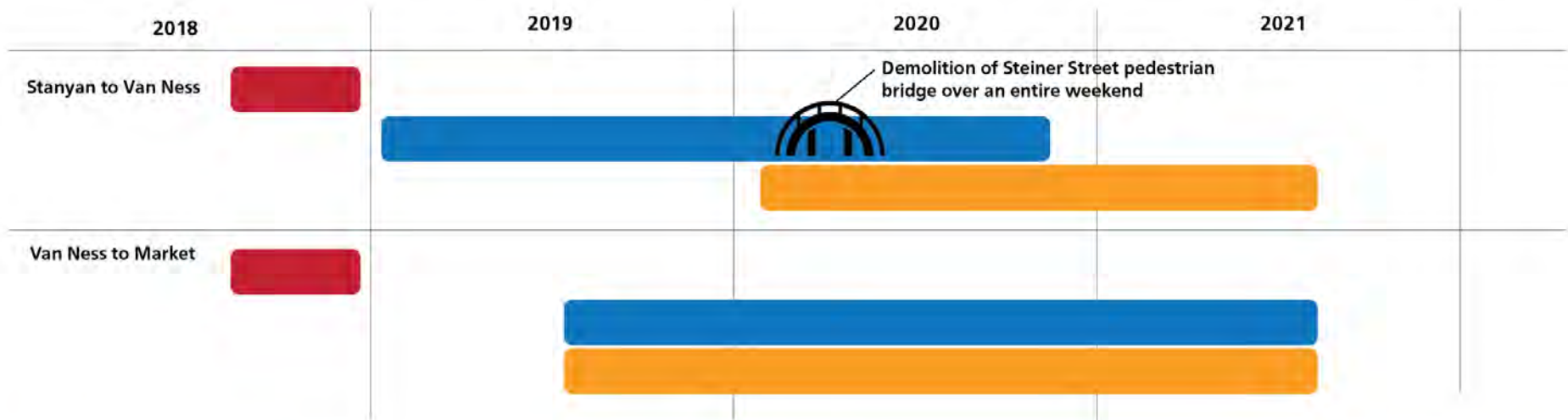
6. Geary Rapid Project update

Geary Rapid Project - Project Report		
SFMTA only		
	Design	Construction
Budget	\$ 5.0M	\$ 30.9M
Expenditures*	\$ 4.8M	\$ 17.2M
% expended	97%	56%
Budget Status	Closing out	On track
Est. Completion	Summer '19	Sept '21
Schedule Status	Complete	On track
<i>*financial data as of 3/1/2021</i>		

Geary Rapid Project - All Construction Contracts			
includes MTA, PUC Sewer and Water, DT, Paving and Curb Ramps			
Contract/Work	Estimated	Price	Status (% paid)
MTA Near-Term	\$ 1.0M	\$ 1.0M	Complete
PUC Sewer/Water	\$ 16.0M	\$ 16.2M	Complete
PW Geary East	\$ 6.2M	\$ 8.7M	Underway (63%)
PW Steiner Demo	\$ 1.0M	\$ 0.8M	Complete
PW Geary West	\$ 16.6M	\$ 16.0M	Underway (64%)
	\$ 40.8M	\$ 42.7M	Underway (78%)

7. Geary Rapid – Implementation update

Overview



Transit and safety treatments

- Bus-only lanes
- Pedestrian safety treatments
- Bus stop changes
- Roadway striping changes

Utility upgrades

- Water main replacement on Geary (Masonic to Market)
- Fiber-optic cable conduits (Stanyan to Gough)
- Sewer main replacement (primarily Masonic to Van Ness)

Major transit and safety improvements

- Bus bulbs
- Upgraded traffic signals
- Pedestrian bulbs
- Roadway repaving (Masonic to Van Ness)

7. Geary Rapid – Implementation update

“Geary Blvd Water/Sewer” contract: Masonic to Van Ness

- All work is complete and contractor has demobilized.

“Geary East” contract: Van Ness to Market Street

- All water mains are installed. Service connection work is underway between Taylor and Powell streets.
- Curb ramp and sidewalk bulb-out work on Geary between Leavenworth and Jones streets.
- Potholing for private Verizon conduit work on Geary.



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“West Surface” contract: Stanyan to Van Ness

- Work in “Segment A” is finishing up, with only work at Steiner (Hamilton Rec Center) remaining.
- Work in “Segment B” is currently between Webster and Van Ness with last bulb-outs and some repaving remaining.
- Traffic signal switchovers remaining: Gough and Buchanan.
- Potential for delay at Buchanan Street due to tree removal process.



7. Geary Rapid – Implementation update

Recent safety upgrades



Traffic signals activated at Cook and Commonwealth/Beaumont



Pedestrian countdown signals at Laguna

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Safety upgrades underway



New crosswalk at Webster



Proposed crosswalk at Buchanan

8. Geary Rapid – Outreach update

SF Examiner safety article:

- sfexaminer.com/news/sfmta-announces-new-pedestrian-safety-measures-on-geary-boulevard/
- Accompanying blog at: sfmta.com/blog/geary-rapid-project-provides-safer-crossings

Other outreach

- Spring 2021 Geary Rapid Project Newsletter

The image shows two overlapping digital content pieces. The top piece is a screenshot of an SF Examiner article titled "SFMTA announces new pedestrian safety measures on Geary Boulevard". The article text indicates that improvements near Gough and Commonwealth are a direct response to a pedestrian death last year. The bottom piece is a screenshot of an SFMTA blog post titled "Geary Rapid Project Provides Safer Crossings" by Amy Fowler, dated Thursday, February 11, 2021. The blog post includes a photograph of a street intersection with a pedestrian crossing. Below the photo, the blog text explains that a new traffic signal, crosswalk striping, pedestrian bulbs, and streetlights help improve safety. It also notes that the Geary Rapid Project aims to make 38 Geary trips well, more rapid, and that a key feature is making the streets safer. The text further states that Geary is part of a high-injury network and that people walking there are eight times more likely to be involved in a serious or deadly collision than on an average San Francisco street.

9. Geary Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes update

Geary Boulevard/15th Avenue queue jump video



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Evaluation underway, interim results



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Tentative Schedule

- **Spring:** Evaluation
- **Summer:** Outreach to share evaluation results, consider making changes permanent including considering adding scope similar to Geary BRT side-running alternative
- **Summer:** SFMTA Board considers Geary TETL permanent legislation
- **Fall 2021 to early 2022:** Additional outreach and potential board legislation of any additional scope

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Geary TETL scope




Temporary
Transit Lanes


Muni Head Start
Traffic Signals


Temporary
Transit Bulb

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Geary Merchant Loading Survey

- Launched week of 3/8
- Survey instrument includes online and paper in English, Cantonese and Russian
- Approach includes email, door-to-door, and phone calls
- Will be used to develop curb management plan to support potential scope additions to Geary TETL



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Draft Outreach Approach – *Input on Methods Welcome!*

	Goals	Methods
Outreach Round 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform: Share evaluation findings including results of public evaluation survey and recommendation whether to pursue permanent • Consult: Seek input on key trade-offs in pursuing additional transit treatments to inform one full draft design that the team proposes during outreach Round 2. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visuals that show representative block and example curb plan • Way(s) of collecting block-level input on priorities for curb space <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Online Open House? ○ MetroQuest survey? • Virtual meeting? • Standard (mailer, website, email)
Outreach Round 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult: Share draft proposed design for expanded transit improvements (bus bulbs/ped bulbs, stop optimization, central Richmond transit lanes). Seek input on any tweaks needed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visual showing proposed project design • Way of collecting input on tweaks to the proposed design • Standard (mailer, website, email)
Outreach Round 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share revised final design going to Public Hearing/MTAB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard (mailer, website, email) • Public Hearing Notice

10. Long-Range Planning Update: ConnectSF and Transit Corridors Study

- San Francisco Transit Corridors Study will soon be conducting outreach on draft transit investment priorities via interactive web-map
- We will circulate information on how to participate via email between now and next Geary CAC meeting

ConnectSF

11. Adjourn

Next meeting:

- May 18, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
- Most likely still virtual on Microsoft Teams, else:

1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor,
Union Square Conference Room

Thank you!