



SFMTA

Geary Community Advisory Committee

October 9, 2024

Order of business

1. Call to order
2. Virtual meeting etiquette
3. Roll call
4. Approval of minutes – [July 10, 2024](#)
5. Public comment
6. SFPUC Geary Boulevard Water/Sewer Project update
7. Geary Boulevard Improvement Project update
8. Geary Rapid Project update
9. Adjourn

2. Online meeting etiquette

Microsoft Teams – download for desktop or mobile at:
www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/download-app

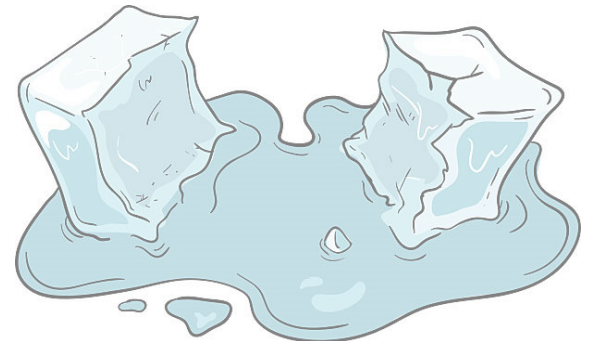
- Key functions: mute/unmute, raise hand, chat
- If joining by phone:
 - Dial *5 to raise your hand in the meeting
 - Dial *6 to mute or unmute yourself
- Please stay on mute unless called on to speak by Chair

3. Roll call

Icebreaker

Please introduce yourself and share with everyone:

If you attended one of the Heart of the Richmond Night Markets, what was your favorite part? If you didn't, share a highlight from another summer event you attended.



4. Approval of minutes

- July 10, 2024

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 three minutes each.



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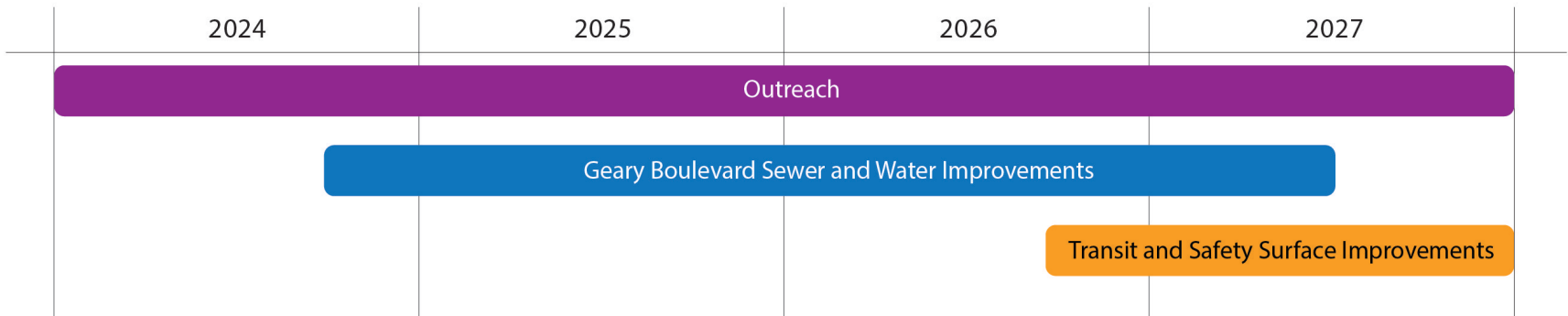
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Geary Boulevard Sewer and Water Improvements Phase 2

Geary Projects Overview & Timeline

Preliminary Work: Coming late 2024
Major Construction: January 2025 – Fall 2027








Preliminary Work (2024)

-  Locate underground utilities (potholing)
-  Sewer lateral inspections

SFPUC Geary Boulevard Sewer and Water Improvements

-  Water main replacement (32nd to Stanyan)
-  Sewer main replacement (31st-24th & 14th-Stanyan)
-  Fiber-optic cable conduits (SFMTA) (25th to Stanyan)

SFMTA Transit and Safety Surface Improvements

-  Bus bulbs
-  Pedestrian bulbs
-  Upgraded traffic signals
-  Roadway repaving by SF Public Works
-  Community enhancement: Trees and decorative sidewalks

What to Expect During Construction



- Work will be done in phases
- Construction activity will be intermittent
- Expect for crews to finish a portion of work on a block and then return later to work on a different aspect of work
- Excavated areas will be temporarily paved
- Final paving will occur as part of the separate Transit and Safety Surface Improvements contract

What to Expect During Construction



Parking

- Temporarily prohibited in active construction zones
- Most restrictions during construction working hours only
- Some spaces will be used to stage materials and equipment

Traffic

- Vehicle and bus traffic will be maintained in both directions
- Two travel lanes will be open in both directions (in most cases)

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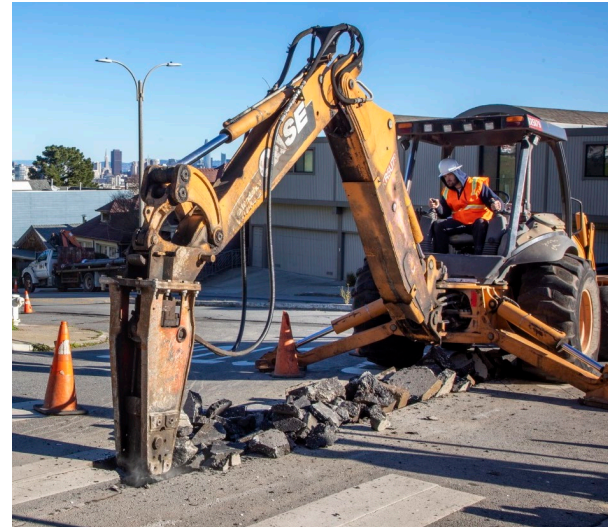
Access

- Driveway access will be maintained, though there may be slight delays*
- Sidewalk access will be maintained, however modified walkways may sometimes be necessary

** Individual coordination will be done with businesses that require frequent access throughout the day.*

Construction Impacts

- Noise, dust, and vibrations in active work zones



How We're Sharing Information

Primary ways to stay informed:

➤ sfpuc.gov/Geary

- See 3-week lookahead schedules, track progress, learn about upcoming webinars, and more
- Ability to switch to translated pages

➤ **Project Update eblasts**

Additional outreach tools:

- 30-day & 10-day notices
- NextDoor updates
- Merchant engagement via Small Business Working Group



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THANK YOU

Geary Boulevard Sewer and Water Improvements Phase 2

7. Geary Boulevard Improvement Project update

Geary Improvements: Design/delivery in two phases

- Geary Rapid Project: Substantially complete; on-time, on-budget delivery
- Geary Boulevard Improvement Project: Quick-Build implementation substantially complete and detailed design underway



7. Geary Boulevard Improvement Project update

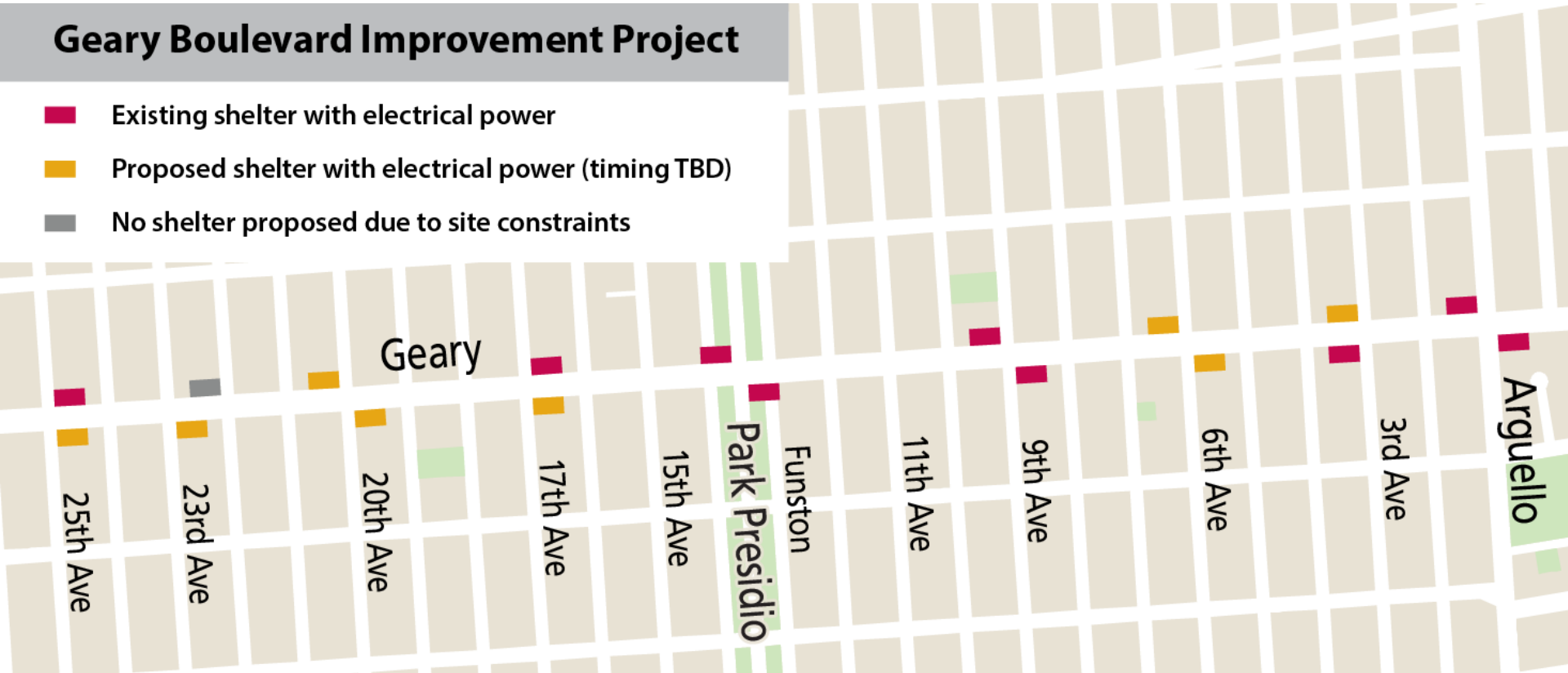
Overview

- Quick-Build implementation update
- Business support update
- Community enhancement round two outreach update
- SFPUC update

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Quick-Build implementation update

- Bus shelters permitting process is complete! Shelters anticipated to be installed in November 2024.



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Quick-Build implementation update

- The 14th Ave bike share station relocation onto the widened sidewalk is complete.
- The outbound 6th Ave bus stop is planned to be relocated to a new permanent farside bus bulb (coordinating with TNDC affordable housing) – tentative implementation date is now early 2025.
- A new lagging left-turn arrow at 11th Avenue is planned to be implemented in the fall (westbound Geary to southbound 11th Ave)



New widened sidewalk on 14th Ave south of Geary, after bike share station relocation

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Business Support update

- Geary team continues to work with Small Business Working Group on:
 - Muni bus ad campaign advertising the Central Richmond. Ads are currently posted on buses throughout the city! (see following slides)
 - Decorative tree trunk wrapped lighting (in coordination with Greater Geary Merchants Association)

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Business Support update

- Muni bus ads have launched on buses
- View the Central Richmond business directory: [SF.gov/ShopDineRichmond](https://sf.gov/ShopDineRichmond)



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Community enhancement: Overview

- Project includes a community enhancement element to beautify the corridor
- Community prioritized **new trees** and **decorative sidewalks** at some bus stops in a survey conducted last spring
- Second round of outreach launched in late August focused on design details and is just concluding



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Community enhancement:

What we sought input on during 2nd round of outreach

- Tree placement
- Tree species
- Sidewalk design layout
- Nature-focused sidewalk design theme

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Community enhancement: Outreach methods

- Mailer
- Posters
- Project updates (email and texts)
- Website update
- Virtual meeting on September 11
- Social media ads
- Richmond Review ad
- Survey available online and by phone
- Materials made available in English, Chinese, and Russian



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Community enhancement: Tree placement options



All locations must meet accessibility and utility clearance requirements, and would try to minimize any visual impedance of storefront signage. Outreach will be done to adjacent properties.

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Community enhancement: Tree species options (medians)

Coast Live Oak



Canary Island Pine



Monterey Cypress



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Community enhancement: Tree species options (sidewalks)

Hollyleaf Cherry



California Buckeye



California Bay Laurel



Primrose



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Community enhancement: Tree species additional information

Species	Deciduous (D)/ Evergreen (E)	Approx. Height	California Native
Median Options			
Coast Live Oak	E	40'	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Canary Island Pine	E	50'	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monterey Cypress	E	50'	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sidewalk Options			
Hollyleaf Cherry	E	20'	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
California Buckeye	D	20'	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
California Bay Laurel	E	35'	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Primrose Tree	E	25'	<input type="checkbox"/>

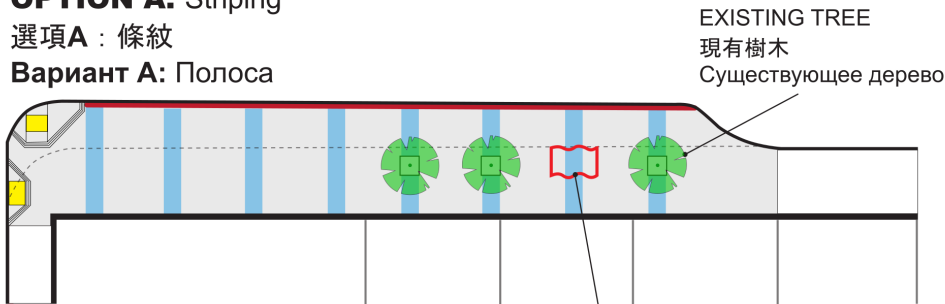
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Community enhancement: Decorative sidewalk layout options

OPTION A: Striping

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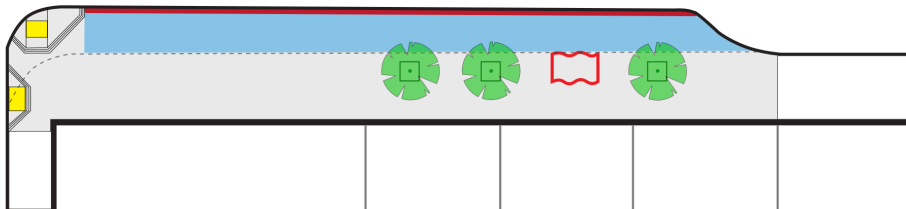
Вариант А: Полоса



OPTION B: Boarding Zone

選項B：上車區域

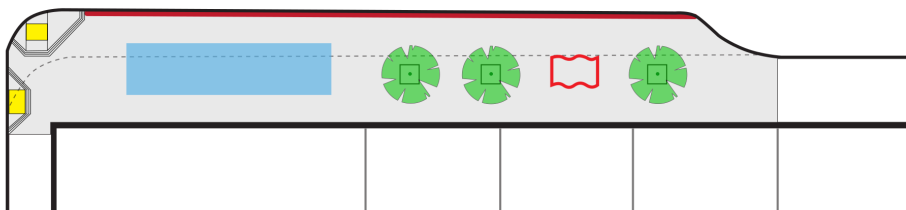
Вариант В: Зона посадки



OPTION C: Furnishing Zone

選項C：陳設區域

Вариант С: Полоса озеленения



- Blue areas indicate possible locations for decorative sidewalk treatment

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Community enhancement:

Decorative sidewalk design nature theme options

Possible Themes

- Sand dunes and ocean waves
- Golden Gate Park and greenery
- Golden Gate Bridge and fog
- Lands End and Seal Rock
- Native flora and fauna

One Theme vs. Two

- Outbound/inbound separate themes (e.g. outbound=ocean and inbound=nature)
- All bus stops have the same theme

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Community enhancement: Interim survey results

Trees

- Most popular species:
 - Median: Coast Live Oak and Monterey Cypress
 - Sidewalk: California Buckeye and Primrose Tree
- Preferred placement: both sidewalks and median equally

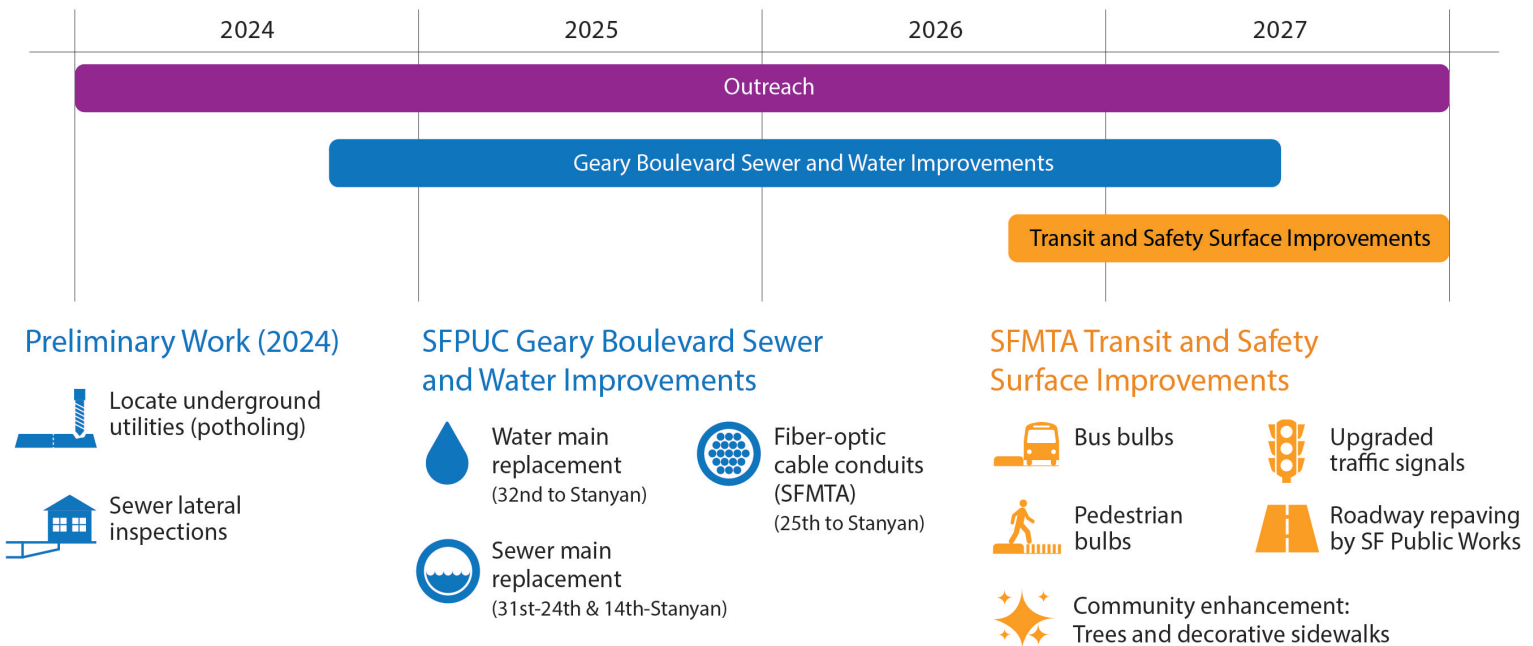
Decorative Sidewalks

- Most popular layout: Banding along the boarding zone
- Most popular theme: Native flora and fauna
- IB/OB preference: Yes – inbound greenery/park themed and outbound ocean themed

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Community enhancement: Next steps

- **By end of year:** Finalize enhancement details and incorporate into project design package
- **2026-2027:** Implementation during overall project construction



8. Geary Rapid Project update

Stanyan to Market Street

- The contractor has completed 3-years of plant establishment maintenance on the new street trees, which are now being transferred to SFPW Bureau of Urban Forestry (BUF).
- SFPW admin team is working on final contract payments and closeout. Once SFPW has completed their work, SFMTA Accounting can begin closeout.



9. Adjourn

Thank you!

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 8, 6 p.m.

Online meeting via Microsoft Teams