



Geary Community Advisory Committee

July 13, 2022

Order of Business

1. Call to order
2. Virtual meeting etiquette
3. Roll call
4. Approval of minutes – [April 13, 2022](#)
5. Public comment
6. Geary Boulevard Improvement Project update
7. Geary Rapid Project update
8. Adjourn

2. Virtual 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
- Please stay on mute unless called on to speak by Chair

3. Roll Call

Icebreaker:

Please introduce yourself and share with everyone:

What is your favorite park or public space in San Francisco?

4. Approval of minutes

- [April 13, 2022](#)

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 Boulevard Improvement Project

Geary BRT: Design/delivery in two phases

- **Geary Rapid Project:** substantially complete; on-time, on-budget delivery
- **Geary Boulevard Improvement Project:** design phase outreach underway



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Design Phase Outreach Overview

Design Phase Outreach Round 1: September 2021

- Input on priorities and feedback on bus stop changes, transit lanes, parking, loading and safety issues used to develop draft design
- Level of support for change to side-running project

Design Phase Outreach Round 2: March/April 2022

- Specific input on draft detailed block-by-block design
- Level of support for evening/Sunday metering and adding angled parking on some side-streets
- Feedback used to update and finalize draft detailed project design

Project Approvals: Late Fall 2022

- Inform public of staff-recommended final project design and the opportunity to make public comment at meetings at the SFCTA and SFMTA boards

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Outreach Round 2

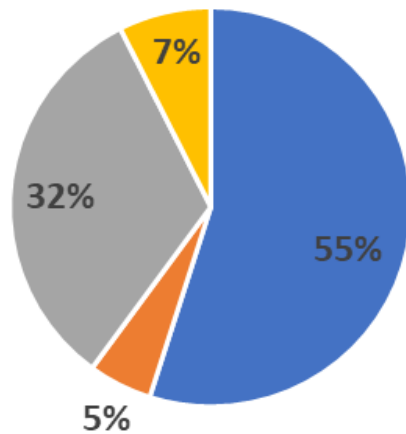
- Goal: seek specific input on draft block-by-block details to inform potential design tweaks
- Block-by-block drawings made available online and in large paper formats
- Notification included mailers, emails, posters, ads (Spotify/Facebook/newspaper)
- March 15: Pop-up at 20th Ave bus stop
- March 16: Virtual office hours (evening)
- March 18: corridor walk with District 1 Supervisor and SFMTA Director Jeff Tumlin
- March 22: presentation to SFCTA Board
- late March: merchant door-to-door outreach throughout project limits
- Feedback collected via survey available online and paper version distributed at OneRichmond project office, and by Richmond Senior Center, Joe's Ice Cream, and Holy Virgin Cathedral



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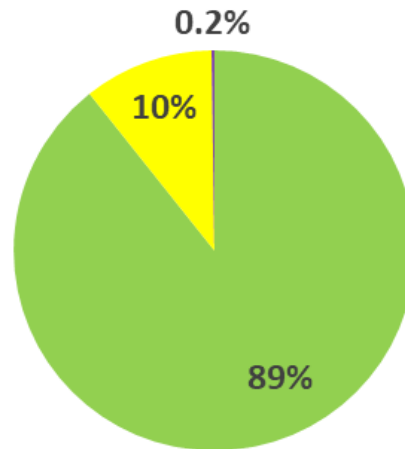
Survey Responses

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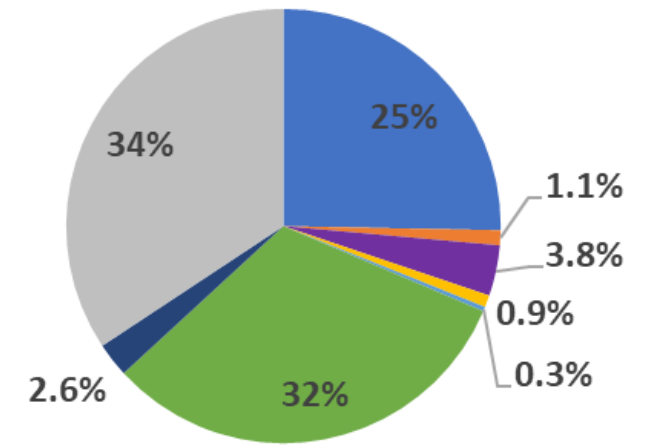
- Online
- Holy Virgin Cathedral
- Joe's Ice Cream
- Other

Language



- English
- Chinese
- Russian

Ethnicity



- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Black/African-American
- Hispanic/Latinx
- Middle Eastern/North African
- Native American
- White
- Other
- Prefer not to answer

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Survey Questions

1. Like most about proposed changes
2. Like least about proposed changes
3. Project details that are confusing or hard to understand
4. Level of support for proposed evening and Sunday metering
5. Level of support for adding parking on side streets by converting parallel parking to angled parking to offset parking loss along Geary

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Key Takeaways

- Many people are enthusiastic about proposed transit and safety improvements including transit lanes, near-side to far-side bus stop relocations, left turn restrictions and bulbouts
- Opposition, particularly from Geary merchants, against converting angled parking to parallel parking on Geary Boulevard
- Evening and Sunday metering expansion proposals were not popular
- Support to pursue adding parking on side streets to offset Geary parking loss

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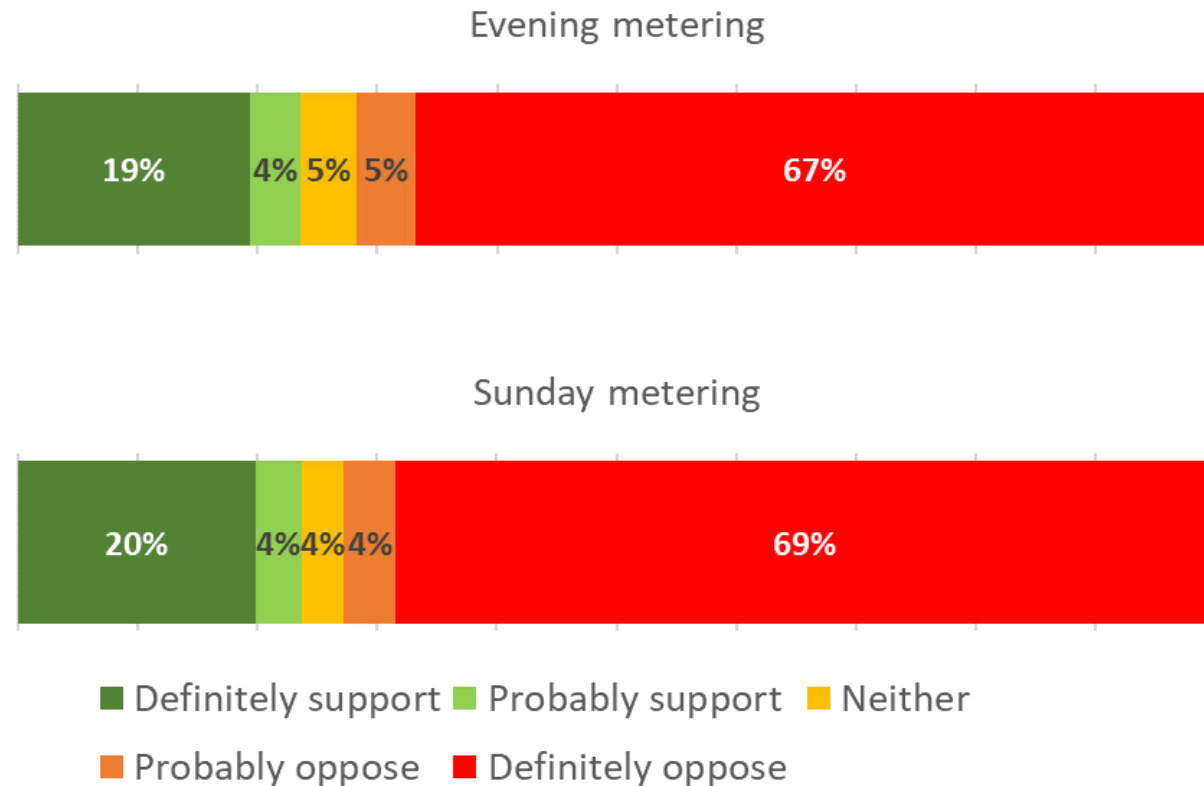
Most frequently mentioned project features as liked/disliked

| Most Frequently Mentioned Project Design Likes |
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| Traffic safety improvements, including bulbouts, traffic signal upgrades and left turn restrictions |
| New transit lanes |
| Adding parking on side streets |
| Evening and Sunday metering |
| Near-side to far-side bus stop re-location in general |
| Change from center-running to side-running transit lane |

| Most Frequently Mentioned Project Design Dislikes |
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| Converting angled parking to parallel parking to make room for transit lanes and its impacts to parklets |
| Evening and Sunday metering |
| Adding parking on side streets |
| Left turn restrictions |
| Change from center-running to side-running transit lane |
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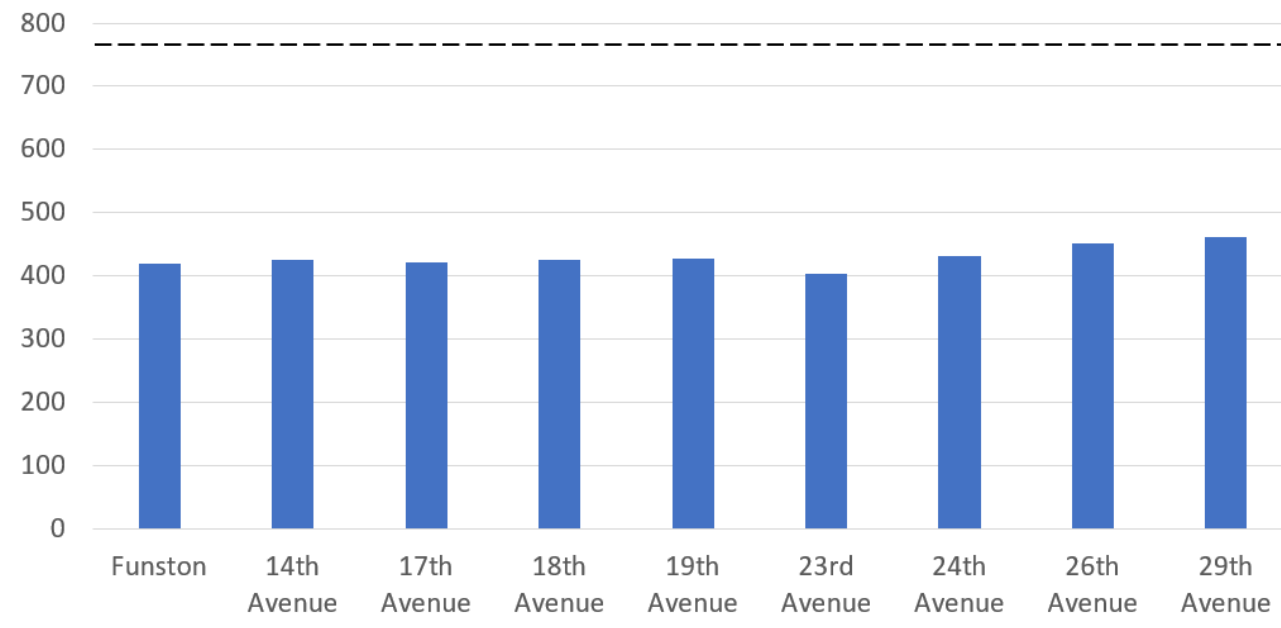
Level of Support for Extended Meter Hours Proposals (on Geary between 28th and 14th avenues)



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Support for Adding Angled Parking on Side Streets

Additional parking could be added to some side streets by converting some parallel parking near Geary to angled parking, thereby reducing the width of the driving area (two trucks could still pass). Would you support this change on any of the following blocks? Select all that apply.



Relatively similar numbers of respondents supported each proposed location. Level-of-support will be considered along with location-specific feedback.

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Location-Specific Design Feedback

| Design Feature | Summary |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Bus stop proposals | Some locations that respondents specifically mentioned supporting included Arguello (inbound bulb-out), 6th Avenue (re-locations and bulb-outs) and Park Presidio (re-location) . Some locations where respondents raised concerns about their resident/business's proximity to the new proposed bus stop location included 17th Avenue outbound, 22nd Avenue outbound, 23rd Avenue inbound and 25th Avenue inbound |
| Side street angled-parking | Several respondents raised concerns about the proposed 23rd Avenue angled parking addition due to street's current designation as a Slow Street. There were also some comments on potential impacts to school pick-ups/queuing on 24th Avenue, 26th Avenue and 29th Avenue. |
| Left-turn restrictions | Several comments suggested adding left-turn restrictions from Geary onto 23rd Avenue. |

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Project Details Confusing/Hard to Understand

- Some project drawing symbology
- Some technical terms
- Rationale for far-side stops and left-turn restrictions
- Project purpose and need

Project team will incorporate into future outreach materials

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Other feedback

- Desire for Geary Rail
- Concerns about construction impacts
- Concerns about impacts to parklets
- Request for seating and lighting at bus stops
- Suggestion for traffic signal timing changes

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Tentative schedule

- Late June: Email to project list publishing Outreach Round 2 Summary
- July 13: Geary CAC meeting
- July TBD: Meeting with Geary Merchants and D1 Office
- Late Summer/early Fall: Environmental analysis
- Late Fall/early Winter: SFMTA Board and SFCTA Board actions
- Early 2023: Quick Build implementation

7. Geary Rapid Project update

“Geary East” contract: Van Ness to Market Street

- Private Verizon/MCI conduit work on Geary is complete. Working with contractor to schedule roadway repaving. Red lane painting planned after paving work.
- The inbound 38 Geary bus stop on O’Farrell Street at Powell Street is planned to be relocated from nearside to farside (legislated through Powell Streetscape Project)



7. Geary Rapid Project update

Post-implementation evaluation

Metrics being analyzed include:

- 38/38R travel time
- 38/38R reliability (gaps in service)
- Transit lane compliance
- Auto volumes
- Auto speeds
- Sentiments from Geary corridor travelers (bus riders, people walking, people driving, etc) collected after near-term improvements
- Sentiments from Geary corridor stakeholders (operators and CAC)

Status: still finishing up evaluation

8. Adjourn

Thank you!

Next meeting: October 12, 2022, 6 p.m.

Location:

Continue with Microsoft Teams, or

In-person meeting at:

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