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# SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY

**DIVISION:** Sustainable Streets

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 702 to modify speed limits at specific locations including deleting locations from the Transportation Code to reduce the speed limit to 25 miles per hour.

## **SUMMARY:**

- The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to conduct engineering and traffic surveys necessary to modify speed limits on City streets subject to approval by the SFMTA Board of Directors.
- The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.

### **ENCLOSURES:**

- 1. SFMTAB Resolution
- 2. Transportation Code legislation

APPROVALS:		DATE
DIRECTOR	THER	5/24/2017
SECRETARY	R. Boomer	5/24/2017

ASSIGNED SFMTAB CALENDAR DATE: June 6, 2017

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#### **PURPOSE**

Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 702 to modify speed limits at specific locations including deleting locations from the Transportation Code to reduce the speed limit to 25 miles per hour.

### STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND TRANSIT FIRST POLICY PRINCIPLES

The proposed amendment to the Transportation Code to modify speed limits at specific locations supports the City's Vision Zero Policy in addition to the SFMTA Strategic Plan Goal and Objective below:

Goal 1: Create a safer transportation experience for everyone Objective 1.3: Improve the safety of the transportation system

The proposed amendment to the Transportation Code also supports the SFMTA Transit-First Policy principle indicated below:

Principle 1: To ensure quality of life and economic health in San Francisco, the primary objective of the transportation system must be the safe and efficient movement of people and goods.

### **DESCRIPTION**

The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to conduct engineering and traffic surveys necessary to modify speed limits on City streets subject to approval by the SFMTA Board of Directors. Engineering and traffic surveys are required to be conducted to determine the current speeds of free-flowing vehicles traveling along a roadway to determine the appropriate speed limit. In addition, collision rates and special conditions, such as adjacent land uses or roadway geometry, are considered as part of the survey. The engineering and traffic surveys for these specific locations were prepared in accordance with the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Based on the distribution of current speeds represented in the surveys, the City Traffic Engineer recommends the following speed limit modifications at locations as follows:

A. ESTABLISH – 30 MPH SPEED LIMIT (reduction from the existing 35 MPH speed limit) – Fulton Street, between Arguello Boulevard and the Great Highway; and Sunset Boulevard, between Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Lake Merced Boulevard.

The following modifications delete locations from the Transportation Code to reduce the speed limit to 25 miles per hour.

B. REDUCE – FROM 30 MPH TO 25 MPH SPEED LIMIT – 10<sup>th</sup> Street, between Market Street and Division Street; 16<sup>th</sup> Street, between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street; Fell Street, between Baker

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Street and Stanyan Street; Monterey Boulevard, between Circular Avenue and Ridgewood Avenue; Oak Street, between Stanyan Street and Baker Street; Octavia Boulevard, central lanes only, between Fell Street and Market Street; Winston Drive, between Buckingham Way and Lake Merced Boulevard.

### STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

In accordance with SFMTA procedures, a public hearing was held to consider the proposed speed limit changes on the following dates for each location:

- Fulton Street, between Arguello Boulevard and the Great Highway December 5, 2014
- Sunset Boulevard, between Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Lake Merced Boulevard *May* 2, 2014
- 10<sup>th</sup> Street, between Market Street and Division Street *July 15*, 2016
- 16<sup>th</sup> Street, between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street September 16, 2016
- Fell Street, between Baker Street and Stanyan Street November 4, 2016
- Monterey Boulevard, between Circular Avenue and Ridgewood Avenue April 18, 2014
- Oak Street, between Stanyan Street and Baker Street November 4, 2016
- Octavia Boulevard, central lanes only, between Fell Street and Market Street February 3, 2017
- Winston Drive, between Buckingham Way and Lake Merced Boulevard May 18, 2012

An official document indicating the public hearing date, time, location, and purpose was posted in the areas affected by the change at least a week in advance of the hearing date. No public comment was received either in favor or against the proposals and no other comments from the public have been received.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The only alternative considered is to not change the speed limits at the specified locations and leave them at the existing higher speed limits. However, the City Traffic Engineer has determined that lowering the speed limits at the specified locations is the most appropriate action after an assessment of the results of the engineering and traffic surveys. It is the recommendation of the City Traffic Engineer to proceed with these modifications.

#### **FUNDING IMPACT**

There is no financial impact to the City. The installation and maintenance costs for replacement exiting speed limit signs are budgeted in the SFMTA's existing operating budget.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The proposed traffic modifications are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301 provides an exemption from

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environmental review for the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bike and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities.

The SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, has determined that the proposed speed limit modifications are categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.

Copies of the CEQA determinations are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference.

## OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED

The City Attorney's Office has reviewed this calendar item.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors amends Transportation Code, Division II, Section 702 to modify speed limits at specific locations including deleting locations from the Transportation Code to reduce the speed limit to 25 miles per hour.

# SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No.	RESOLUTION No.	
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WHEREAS, The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to conduct engineering and traffic surveys to modify speed limits on City streets subject to approval by the SFMTA Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, Based on these surveys, the City Traffic Engineer recommends the following speed limit modifications:

- A. ESTABLISH 30 MPH SPEED LIMIT Fulton Street, between Arguello Boulevard and the Great Highway; and Sunset Boulevard, between Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Lake Merced Boulevard;
- B. REDUCE FROM 30 MPH TO 25 MPH SPEED LIMIT 10<sup>th</sup> Street, between Market Street and Division Street; 16<sup>th</sup> Street, between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street; Fell Street, between Baker Street and Stanyan Street; Monterey Boulevard, between Circular Avenue and Ridgewood Avenue; Oak Street, between Stanyan Street and Baker Street; Octavia Boulevard, central lanes only, between Fell Street and Market Street; and Winston Drive, between Buckingham Way and Lake Merced Boulevard; and,

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed modifications and has been given the opportunity to comment on these modifications through the public hearing process; and,

WHEREAS, There is no financial impact to the City; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed traffic modifications are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301 provides an exemption from environmental review for the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities; and.

WHEREAS, Copies of the CEQA determinations are on file with the Secretary to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors, may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves the speed limit modifications set forth in Item A through B above; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors amends Transportation Code, Division II, Section 702 to modify speed limits as set forth in Items A through B above.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 6, 2017.

Secretary to the Board of Directors San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

RESOLUTION NO.

[Transportation Code – Designated Speed Limits]

Resolution amending Division II of the Transportation Code regarding speed limits on

certain streets.

NOTE: Additions are <u>single-underline Times New Roman</u>;

deletions are strike through Times New Roman.

The Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors of the City and County of San

Francisco enacts the following regulations:

Section 1. Article 700 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by

revising Section 702 to read as follows:

Sec. 702. DESIGNATED SPEED LIMITS.

(a) **30 Miles Per Hour.** A *prima facie* speed limit of 30 miles per hour is established

in the following locations:

(1) 3rd Street between Channel and Kirkwood Streets.

(2) 3rd Street between Shafter and Bayshore Boulevard.

(3) 10th Street between Market Street and Division Street.

(4) 16th Street between 3rd and 7th Streets.

(53) Bush Street between Presidio Avenue and Battery Street.

(64) Carter Street between Geneva Avenue and County Line.

(75) Cesar Chavez Street, Third Street to a point 500 feet east of Kansas

Street.

(86) Diamond Heights Boulevard between Clipper Street and Sussex Street.

(97) The Embarcadero between King Street and Bay Street.

(108) Fell Street between GoughBaker Street and Stanyan Street.

- (419) Fulton Street between Stanyan Street and Arguello Boulevard.
- (10) Fulton Street between Arguello Boulevard and the Great Highway.
- (1211) Geary Boulevard between 30th and 42nd Avenue.
- (1312) Golden Gate Avenue between Divisadero Street and Van Ness Avenue.
- (1413) Industrial Street between Bayshore Boulevard and Oakdale Avenue.
- (1514) John F. Kennedy Drive between Kezar Drive and Stanyan Street.
- (1615) John Muir Drive between Skyline Boulevard and a point approximately 2,500 feet southeasterly.
  - (1716) Kezar Drive between Lincoln Way and John F. Kennedy Drive.
  - (1817) King Street between 5th Street and The Embarcadero.
  - (1918) Market Street between Danvers Street and Castro Street.
  - (2019) Masonic Avenue between Presidio Avenue and Geary Boulevard.
  - (21) Monterey Boulevard between Circular and Ridgewood Avenues.
  - (2220) Oak Street between Stanyan Street and Franklin Baker Street.
  - (2321) Oakdale Avenue between Bayshore Boulevard and 3rd Street.
  - (24) Octavia Boulevard, central lanes only, between Fell and Market Streets.
  - (2522) Pine Street between Market Street and Presidio Avenue.
  - (2623) Point Lobos Avenue between Great Highway and Forty-Second Avenue.
  - (2724) Sagamore Street between San Jose Avenue and Orizaba Avenue.
  - (2825) San Jose Avenue between Randall and 29th Streets.
  - (26) Sunset Boulevard between Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Lake Merced

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- (2927) Turk Boulevard between Baker Street and Arguello Boulevard.
- (3028) Twin Peaks Boulevard between Panorama Drive and Palo Alto Avenue.
- (31) Winston Drive, between Buckingham Way and Lake Merced.

- (b) **35 Miles Per Hour.** A *prima facie* speed limit of 35 miles per hour is established in the following locations:
- Alemany Boulevard between Junipero Serra Boulevard and Mission
  Street.
  - (2) Bayshore Boulevard between Cesar Chavez Street and the County Line.
  - (3) Broadway (Robert C. Levy) Tunnel between the east and west portals.
- (4) Brotherhood Way between Alemany and a point about 200 feet westerly from Chumasero Drive.
  - (5) Cargo Way between 3rd Street and Jennings Street.
- (6) Clarendon Avenue, north and south sides between the east line of Laguna Honda Boulevard and Johnstone Drive.
  - (7) Clipper Street between Douglas Street and Diamond Heights Boulevard.
  - (8) Evans Avenue between Cesar Chavez and Hunters Point Boulevard.
  - (9) Fulton Street between Arguello Boulevard and the Great Highway.
- (109) Geary Boulevard between Presidio Avenue and Wood Street on the depressed section.
  - (1110) Geary Expressway between Gough Street and Presidio Avenue.
  - (1211) Geneva Avenue between Moscow Street and the County Line.
  - (1312) Great Highway between Lincoln Way and Point Lobos.
- (1413) Great Highway (Upper Roadway) between Lincoln Way and Sloat Boulevard.
  - (1514) Hunters Point Boulevard between Jennings Street and Innes Avenue.
  - (1615) Innes Avenue between Hunters Point Boulevard and Donahue Street.
  - (1716) Junipero Serra Boulevard between St. Francis Circle and Ocean Avenue.
  - (1817) Laguna Honda Boulevard between Dewey Boulevard and Noriega Street.

- (1918) Lake Merced Boulevard between Sunset Boulevard and Skyline Boulevard.
  - (2019) Lake Merced Boulevard between Winston Drive and Sunset Boulevard.
  - (2120) Lincoln Way, north side, between Third Avenue and the Great Highway.
  - (2221) Lincoln Way, south side, between the Great Highway and Third Avenue.
  - (2322) Mansell Street between Sunnydale and Brazil Avenues.
  - (2423) O'Shaughnessy Boulevard between Portola Drive and Malta Drive.
- (2524) Portola Drive between St. Francis Circle and Corbett Avenue, north and south sides.
- (2625) Market Street between Corbett Avenue and Danvers Street, north and south sides.
- (2726) Sloat Boulevard, eastbound and westbound traffic, between Junipero Serra Boulevard, St. Francis Circle and Nineteenth Avenue.
- (2827) Sloat Boulevard, eastbound traffic, between the east line of the Great Highway and the east line of 39th Avenue.
- (2928) Sloat Boulevard, westbound traffic, between the east line of 39th Avenue and the east line of 47th Avenue.
- (3029) Sunnydale Avenue between Persia Avenue and the west boundary of the McLaren Municipal Golf Course.
- (31) Sunset Boulevard between Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Lake Merced Boulevard.
  - (3230) Woodside Avenue between Portola Drive and Laguna Honda Boulevard.
- (c) **40 Miles Per Hour.** A *prima facie* speed limit of 40 miles per hour is established in the following locations:

- (1) Alemany Boulevard, westbound, between Bayshore Boulevard and Mission Street.
- (2) Gilman Avenue between Hunter's Point Expressway and Arelious Walker Drive.
  - (3) Harney Way between Jamestown Avenue and the County Line.
  - (4) Hunters Point Expressway.
- (5) Jamestown Avenue between Redondo Street and Hunters Point Expressway.
- (6) John Muir Drive between the County Line and a point approximately3,300 feet northwesterly.
  - (7) Lake Merced Boulevard between the County Line and Winston Drive.
  - (8) Junipero Serra Boulevard between Ocean and 19th Avenues.
  - (9) Visitacion Avenue between Mansell Street and Hahn Street.
- (d) **45 Miles Per Hour.** A *prima facie* speed limit of 45 miles per hour is established in the following locations:
- (1) Alemany Boulevard, eastbound, between Mission Street and Bayshore Boulevard.
- (2) Brotherhood Way between a point about 200 feet westerly from Chumasero Drive and Lake Merced Boulevard.
  - (3) Great Highway between Sloat and Skyline Boulevards.
  - (4) Mansell Street between Visitacion Avenue and Brazil Avenue.
- (5) San Jose Avenue between Randall Street and a point 425 feet northeasterly of the east line of Diamond Street.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 31 days after

enactment. Enactment occurs when the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

Board of Directors approves this ordinance.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the San Francisco

Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors intends to amend only those words,

phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, letters, punctuation marks,

charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Transportation Code that are explicitly

shown in this ordinance as additions or deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears

under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:

JOHN I. KENNEDY Deputy City Attorney

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal

Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 6, 2017.

Secretary to the Board of Directors

San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency