

# MASONIC AVENUE STREETScape PROJECT

## FACTSHEET

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### A NEW MASONIC AVENUE IS COMING SOON!



In June 2016, the city will be breaking ground on the Masonic Avenue Streetscape Project. This community-initiated and petition-driven project will build a better, safer Masonic Avenue from Fell to Geary.

This project came forward as the result of a community petition signed by over 500 Masonic residents and a Board of Supervisors resolution to improve safety for everyone on the corridor. After a four-year community planning effort, the Masonic Avenue Streetscape Project received its final approvals to move forward in 2012 from the SFMTA Board of Directors, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority Board of Commissioners and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

### A SAFER STREET FOR EVERYONE

For years, Masonic Avenue has been the site of many traffic injuries and the corridor is currently on San Francisco's High Injury Network, which represents the city's 12 percent of streets that have 70 percent of the city's traffic collisions. From 2009 to 2014, there were 113 traffic collisions on Masonic Avenue between Fell Street and Geary Boulevard. This includes 14 pedestrian collisions and 24 bicycle collisions, including two fatalities.

### PROJECT ELEMENTS

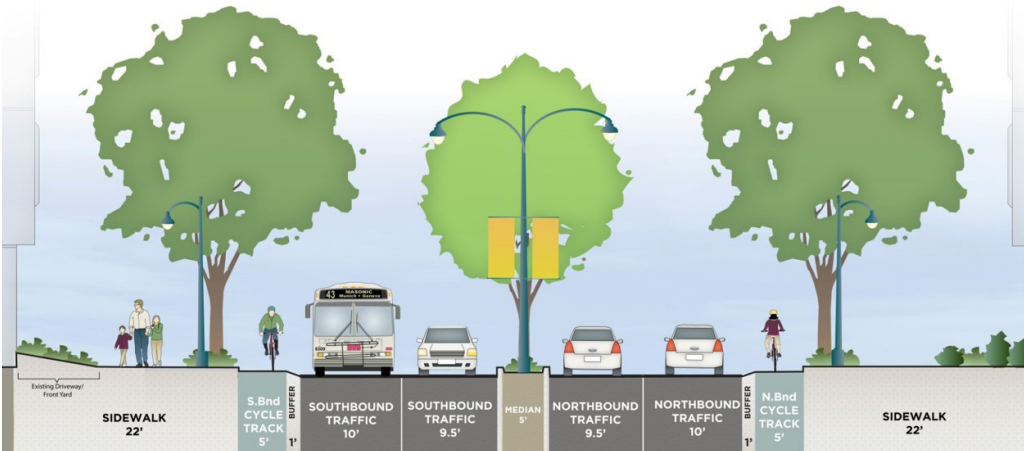
This project will bring a wide range of improvements to the corridor, such as:

- **New public plaza with public art and planters**
- **Landscaped median with new trees and shrubs**
- **Wider sidewalks and brighter crosswalks**
- **New pedestrian-scale sidewalk lighting**
- **Raised bike lanes**
- **Street repaving**
- **New dual sewer system**
- **Upgraded water distribution**
- **Sidewalk bulb-outs**
- **Enhanced bus stops**



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## A COMMUNITY PROJECT



The Masonic Avenue Streetscape Project was initiated, designed and selected by the community.

There were three, widely advertised and well-attended community meetings for the project and multiple public hearings that allowed for public participation in this project. Thousands of mailers were sent out to addresses on and near the corridor and there was a broad effort to engage the community through door-to-door outreach and ongoing meetings with neighborhood organizations.

The final design was also approved by a variety of government bodies and passed an in-depth state environmental review process.

### KEY CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

Construction will start in June 2016 and last until late 2017. San Francisco Public Works will be leading this work and will be your contact for any construction-related concerns.

### PARKING

Approximately 167 parking spaces will be repurposed to make room for wider sidewalks, a raised bikeway and enhanced bus stops. Even with this tradeoff, the project's design was selected by the community. To offset some of the parking being repurposed by the project, the SFMTA:

- Will add 20 new parking spaces along Turk Street, from Baker to Central
- Launched Residential Permit Parking Area Q to make it easier for local residents to park

### STAY IN THE LOOP

For general project information, you can e-mail the SFMTA project team at [masonicstreetscape@sfmta.com](mailto:masonicstreetscape@sfmta.com) or visit [www.sfmata.com/masonic](http://www.sfmata.com/masonic)

For construction information, please contact Alex Murillo from Public Works at [Alex.M.Murillo@sfdpw.org](mailto:Alex.M.Murillo@sfdpw.org) or (415) 558-5296.



### PROJECT TIMELINE

- Community outreach and planning: 2008 - 2012
- Detailed project design: Jan. 2014 - Aug. 2015
- Advertise construction: Nov. 2015
- Contract awarded: Feb. 2016
- Estimated construction: June 2016 - late 2017

### FUNDING

The total cost of the project is approximately \$26 million

- \$16.8M will go to street safety and beautification
- \$8.6M will upgrade out-dated sewer and water infrastructure
- \$700K will fund additional repaving

### NEW TREES

146 Existing Trees  
-49 Trees Replaced  
+185 Trees Planted

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### 282 Total Trees

(net gain of 136)