



SFMTA

Geary Community Advisory Committee

September 15, 2020

Order of Business

1. Call to Order
2. Virtual meeting etiquette
3. Roll call
4. Approval of minutes – [July 21, 2020](#)
5. Public comment
6. Geary Rapid – Geary west surface contract update with Esquivel Grading and Paving, Inc.
7. Geary Rapid – Overview of pedestrian safety features
8. Geary Rapid – Project update
9. Geary Rapid – Implementation update
10. Geary Rapid – Outreach update
11. Geary Temporary Emergency Transit Lane Update
12. Scheduling
13. 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

- [July 21, 2020](#)

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 West Surface contract update with Esquivel Grading and Paving, Inc.

“Segment A”: Stanyan to Webster streets

- Sewer and drainage work nearly complete.
- Underground traffic signal and streetlight work nearly complete. Beginning pole placement and wiring.
- Curb ramps and bulb-outs underway.
- Roadway base repair and final paving underway.
- Fiber optic conduit work underway.
- Coordinated with Kaiser and other properties.



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“Segment B”: Webster to Van Ness streets

- Planned to begin once utility work concludes.
- Includes new pedestrian crossings at Webster and Buchanan streets, including the custom art panels.
- Work will be coordinated with Japantown, St. Francis Square, and Cathedral Hill.



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Q & A with Esquivel Grading and Paving team



7. Geary Rapid Project

Overview of pedestrian safety features

Vision Zero

Policy goal for zero traffic deaths in San Francisco by 2024

Safe Systems Approach



Safe Streets



Safe People



Safe Vehicles



Geary Rapid Project's
contribution

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Overview of pedestrian safety features

Geary Expressway History: Geary at Webster, 1950s



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Geary Expressway History: Geary at Webster, recent



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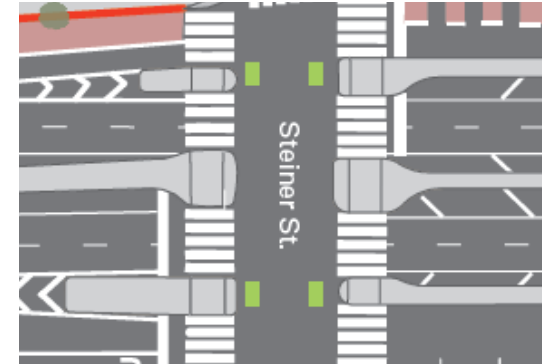
Calming the expressway



New crosswalks



New median refuges



New pedestrian and bus bulbs



Crosswalk improvements



Pedestrian countdown signals + signal re-timing



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Calming the expressway



Reduction from four mixed travel lanes in each direction to two and one transit lane + narrowing traffic to encourage slower vehicle speeds between Gough and Scott

Reduction from three mixed travel lanes in each direction to two and one transit lane between Collins and Stanyan

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New crosswalks

- Buchanan (pictured)
- Webster (east and west sides)
- Steiner (new east side plus upgraded west side)
- Cook (upgrade to signalized)
- Commonwealth/Beaumont (upgrade to signalized)



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New median refuges



- Gough
- Laguna
- Buchanan
- Webster
- Steiner (pictured)
- Scott
- Divisadero
- Cook

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Overview of pedestrian safety features

New pedestrian and bus bulbs

21 locations in process of adding or upgrading bulbs
(see “Geary Rapid Safety Improvements” document for locations)



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Crosswalk improvements

Geary/Gough southside	Elimination of eastbound double right-turn lanes
Geary/Cleary	Reduced southeast corner radius and improved crosswalk geometry
Geary/Lyon	Reduced southwest corner radius
Geary/ Commonwealth and Beaumont	New traffic signal and turn restrictions to provide dedicated pedestrian crossing phase without turn conflicts
Intersections between Gough and Divisadero	Additional streetlighting and upgraded traffic signal systems with larger signal faces and mast arms for visibility
At every intersection throughout the project limits	High-visibility continental striping (if not there already), daylighting, and new advanced limit lines to reduce vehicle encroachment into the crosswalk

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Overview of pedestrian safety features

Pedestrian countdown signals (PCS) and signal re-timing



At 10 locations, resulting in all intersections in corridor having PCS

All crosswalks within project limits to be timed to provide enough time for people of all abilities to cross safely, including complying with the new slower crossing speed standard

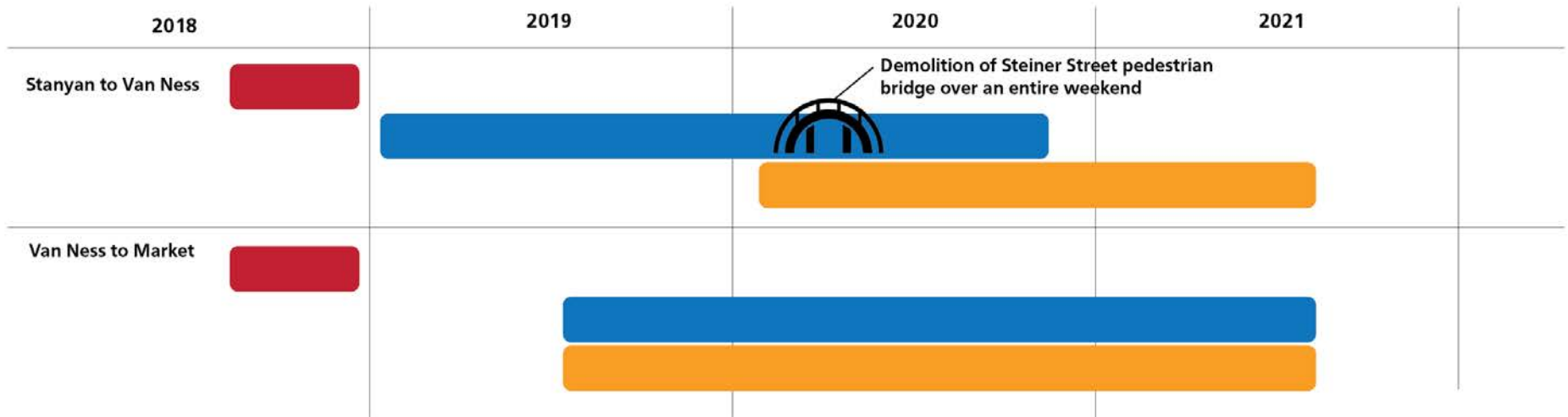
8. Geary Rapid Project updates

Geary Rapid Project - Project Report SFMTA only		
	Design	Construction
Budget	\$ 5.0M	\$ 31.0M
Expenditures*	\$ 5.0M	\$ 8.1M
% expended	100%	26%
Budget Status	Closing out	On track
Est. Completion	Summer '19	Sept '21
Schedule Status	Complete	On track
<i>*financial data as of 8/17/2020</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	Underway (86%)
PW Geary East	\$ 6.2M	\$ 8.7M	Underway (44%)
PW Steiner Demo	\$ 1.0M	\$ 0.8M	Punchlist (86%)
PW Geary West	\$ 16.6M	\$ 16.0M	Underway (16%)
	\$ 40.8M	\$ 42.7M	Underway (52%)

9. 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
- Pedestrian bulbs
- Upgraded traffic signals
- Roadway repaving (Masonic to Van Ness)

9. Geary Rapid – Implementation update

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

- “Segment A” work is complete (Masonic to Fillmore).
- “Segment B” (Fillmore to Franklin) is completing water connections.

“Geary East” contract: Van Ness to Market Street

- Water work is underway: Polk to Jones (connections) and Taylor to Stockton (main installation).
- Curb ramp and sidewalk bulb-out work on Geary at Larkin and Hyde.



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“West Surface” contract: Stanyan to Van Ness

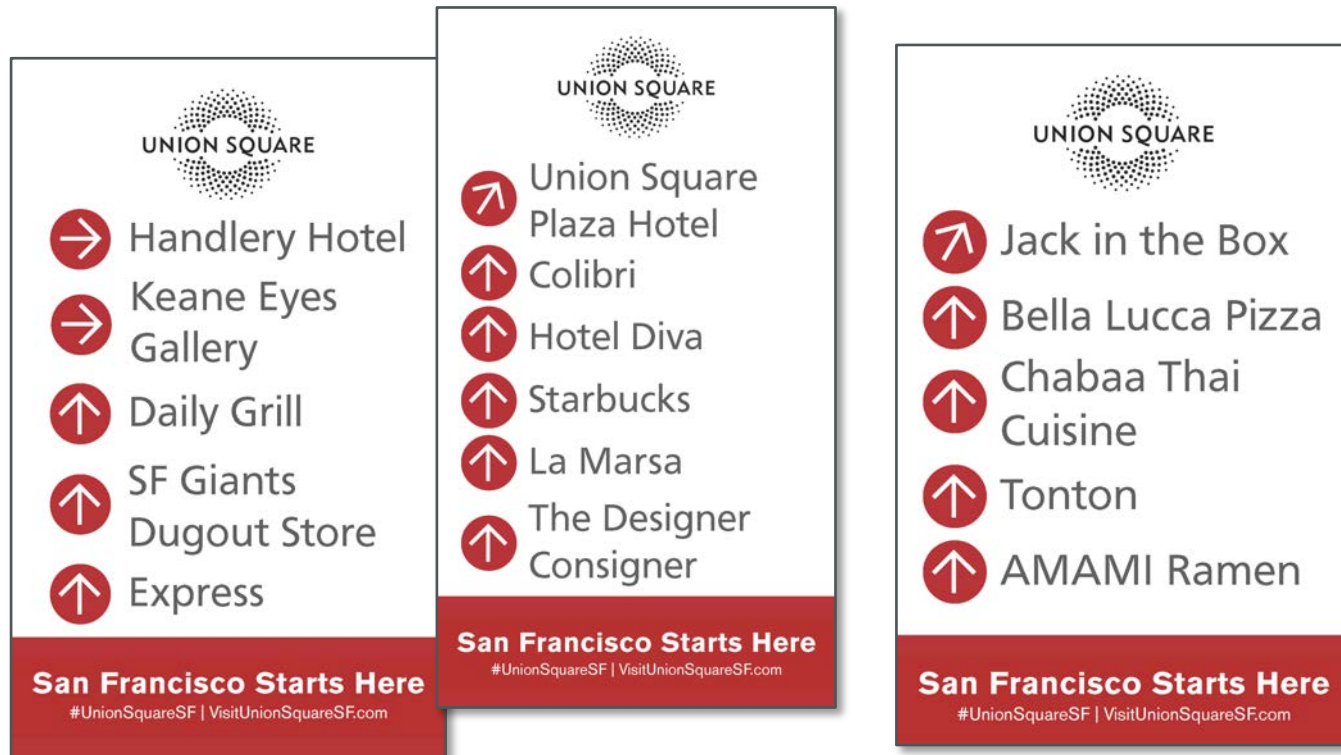
- “Segment A” work between Stanyan-Webster is underway.
- Roadway base repair, curb ramps and bulbouts between Masonic and Scott are complete.
- Traffic signal poles are beginning to be installed.
- Most final paving in Segment A is complete. Final striping will not include red thermoplastic transit-only lane colorization until everything is complete, estimated mid-2021



10. Geary Rapid Project – Outreach update

Business support:

- Union Square wayfinding signs between Taylor and Powell
- Business marketing campaigns on hold during shelter in place



10. Geary Rapid Project – Outreach update

Recent Events/Meetings

- D5 Community Safety Meeting
 - September 2, 2020

Other Outreach

- Coordination with properties for water switchovers and repaving
- Geary Rapid Project Newsletter
 - Summer 2020 issue sent, print and digital version
 - Fall 2020 digital-only issue



MUNI FORWARD Geary Rapid Project
SUMMER | ISSUE 4

Taking It to the Street



The Geary Rapid Project recently passed the halfway mark and is expected to be completed on schedule in summer 2021. Another major milestone was met with the removal of the Steiner Street pedestrian bridge in May (see page 2). Over three-quarters of the 1.5 miles of new sewer mains and 2.9 miles of water pipelines are completed. And with construction of surface-level upgrades gearing up, the “fun” work—improvements that people can see and experience directly—is just beginning.



As San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUUC) crews wrap up sewer and water main replacement along one section of Geary Boulevard west of Van Ness Avenue, a second contractor is on their heels installing pedestrian and bus bulbs. These sidewalk extensions will make intersection crossing distances shorter for people walking and improve the performance of 38 Geary buses. Crews are also getting started on the first stretches of new curb-to-curb roadway paving.

In addition to replacing water mains, San Francisco Public Works crews are making good progress on street-level improvements east of Van Ness. Bus pads are being installed at bus stops along O’Farrell and Geary streets. These strong concrete pads can withstand the weight of a bus and help keep the roadway in good health. Also on O’Farrell Street, pedestrian bulbs were recently completed at the intersections of Leavenworth, Hyde and Larkin streets, and a new, longer bus bulb was installed near Shannon Street.

Crews direct traffic while O’Farrell and Leavenworth got a safety overhaul with the installation of a new pedestrian bulb and countdown signal earlier this summer. It had been the last remaining intersection in the area without a pedestrian countdown.

STEINER BRIDGE REMOVAL See page 2.	HISTORY UNEARTHED See page 3.	PROJECT SCHEDULE See page 3.
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11. Geary Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes update

Proposal Recap



Temporary
Transit Lanes

Muni Head Start
Traffic Signals

Temporary
Transit Bulb

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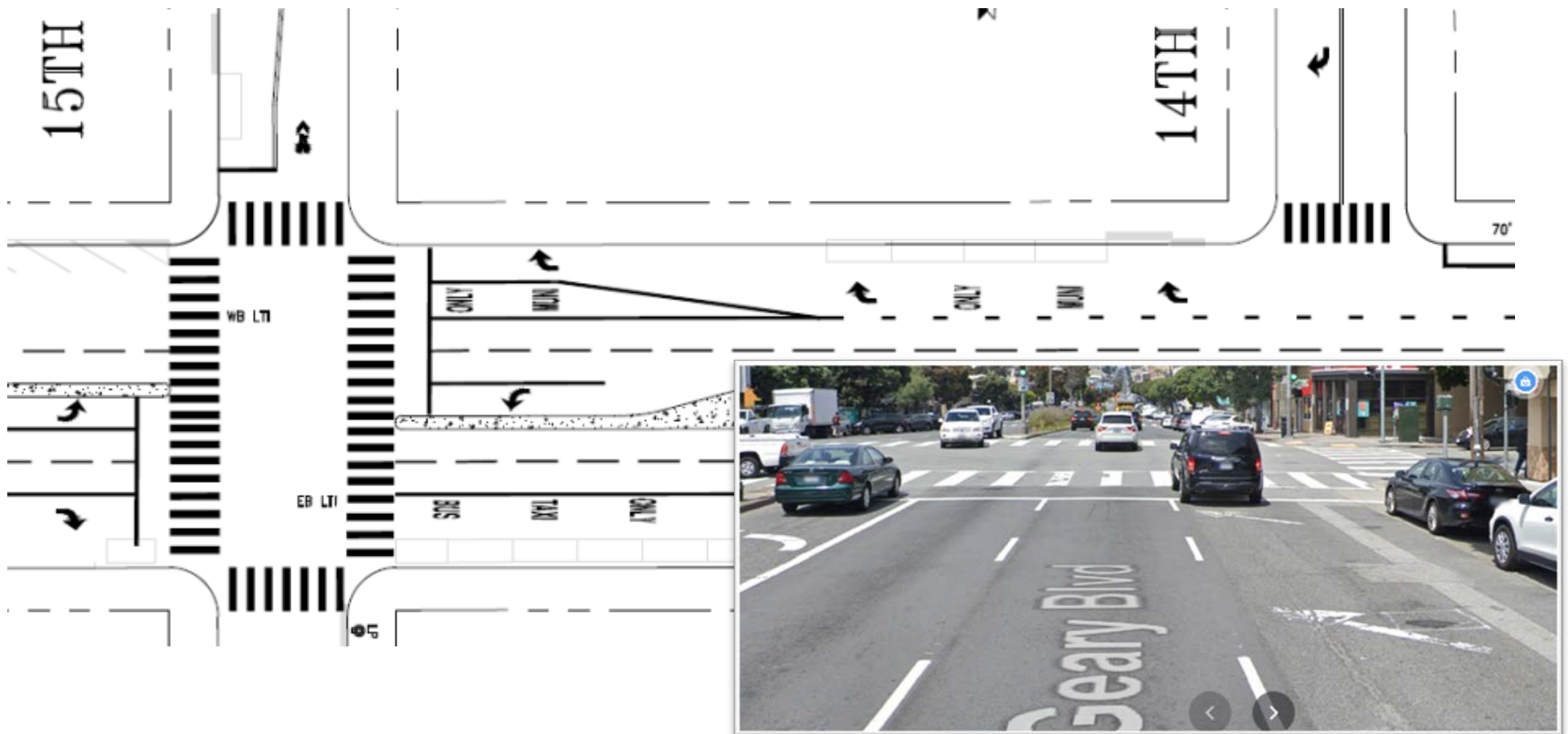
Recent Meetings

- **July 29:** Richmond Senior Roundtable
- **Late July/early August:** outreach to businesses adjacent to proposed parking changes between 14th and 16th avenues
- **August 31:** Planning Association of the Richmond

11. Geary Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes update

Refined proposal after outreach :

Install transit queue jump and right turn-pocket. On-street parking loss of 4 metered spaces, **plus convert 2 metered spaces to loading.**



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Outreach Update

- Virtual Community Meeting/Public Hearing confirmed for September 24 at 12:00 p.m.
 - Sign up at [SFMTA.com/TempLanes38](https://www.sfmta.com/TempLanes38)
- Mailer advertising Community Meeting/Public Hearing sent early September
- Public Hearing notices posted by September 14
- Email/text series and social media
- Outreach to large stakeholders (e.g. schools, grocery stores, healthcare, religious institutions, CBOs)

12. Scheduling

Next meeting:

- November 17, 2020, 6:00 p.m.
- Most likely still virtual on Microsoft Teams, else:
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor,
Union Square Conference Room

13. Adjourn

Thank you!