

VAN NESS

IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



Van Ness BRT CAC

October 28, 2021



Agenda

For those calling in, please mute your phones when not speaking.

1. Call to Order.
2. Public comment: Members of the public may address the Van Ness BRT Community Advisory Committee on matters that are within its jurisdiction and are not on today's calendar
3. Approval of minutes – [September 23, 2021](#).
4. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding update from SFMTA staff.
 - Project Schedule.
 - Construction update.
 - Update on neighboring projects.
 - Outreach update.
5. Member comment: Members of the committee may address the Van Ness BRT Community Advisory Committee on matters that are within its jurisdiction and are not on today's calendar
6. Adjourn

CAC administration reminder

- CAC members will be asked to RSVP to confirm quorum.
- If no quorum can be reached, meeting to be canceled.

Public Comment

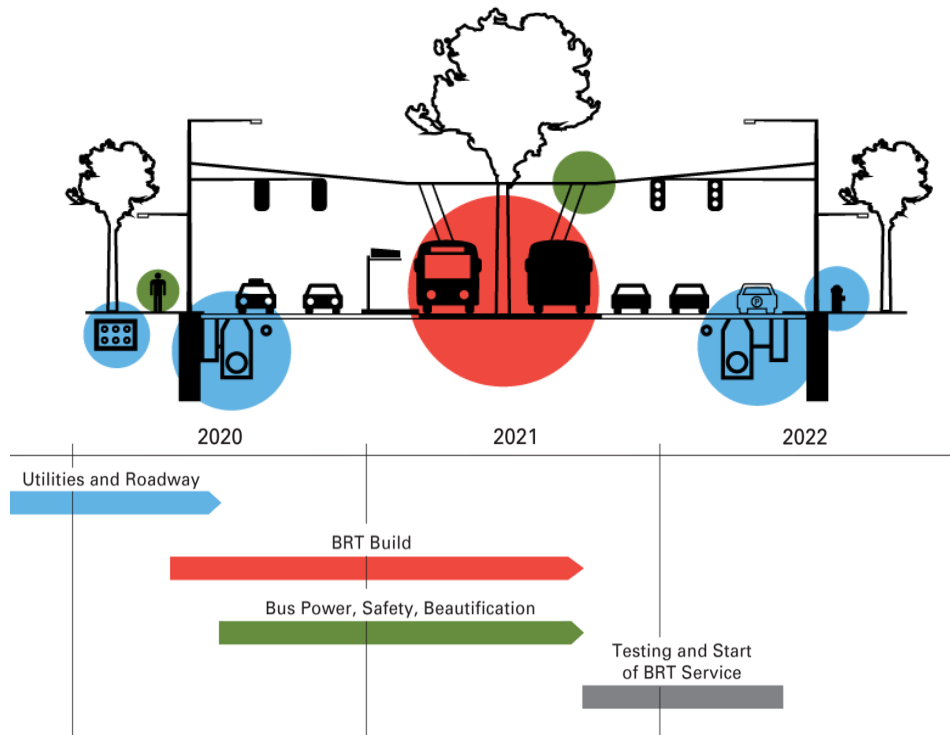
- See Public Comment Policy on back of agenda.
- Public comment for matters within the Van Ness BRT Community Advisory Committee jurisdiction and are not on today's calendar.

Approval of Minutes

- September 23, 2021

Staff updates

- Project schedule



Start	Finish
Fall 2016	Winter 2022
Summer 2020	Fall 2021
Spring 2021	Summer 2021 to Fall 2021

Staff Updates

	Utilities%	Roadway %	Sidewalk %
1A*	100%	100%	95%
1B*	100%	95%	90%
1C*	100%	95%	90%
1D*	100%	95%	90%

- As of September: Construction is approximately at 88.1% completion based on expenditures (September was 86.47%)

Staff Updates

Construction update

Current work

- ~95% of the bulb out work is complete
- Irrigation and backfill work ongoing in the median
- All traffic signals except Lombard have been cutover to the new signal boxes
- Tree planting at the sidewalk is progressing towards Mission; median trees to follow

Staff Updates

Outreach Updates

- Fall 2021 quarterly newsletter forthcoming
- Currently planning for opening events early Spring 2022
 - Cultural group performances during ribbon-cutting event
 - Opportunity to promote via swag bags
 - Include highlights about cultural groups in video and [Story Map](#)

Staff Updates

Geary Rapid Project

Construction work on the [Geary Rapid Project](#), in coordination with San Francisco Public Utilities Commission and San Francisco Public Works, is nearly complete. Installation of red transit lane treatments is underway. All other contract work is complete, including 1.5 miles of new sewer, almost three miles of upgraded water mains, 1.5 miles of roadway repaving, three new and eight upgraded traffic signals, four new pedestrian crossings, 32 pedestrian bulb-outs, 12 transit bulb-outs and 38 upgraded curb ramps.

For more information visit [SFMTA.com/Geary](https://www.sfmta.com/Geary) or contact GearyRapid@SFMTA.com

We Asked for Community Input on ...

Familiar scenario

All-day pre-pandemic Muni routes restored

Frequent scenario

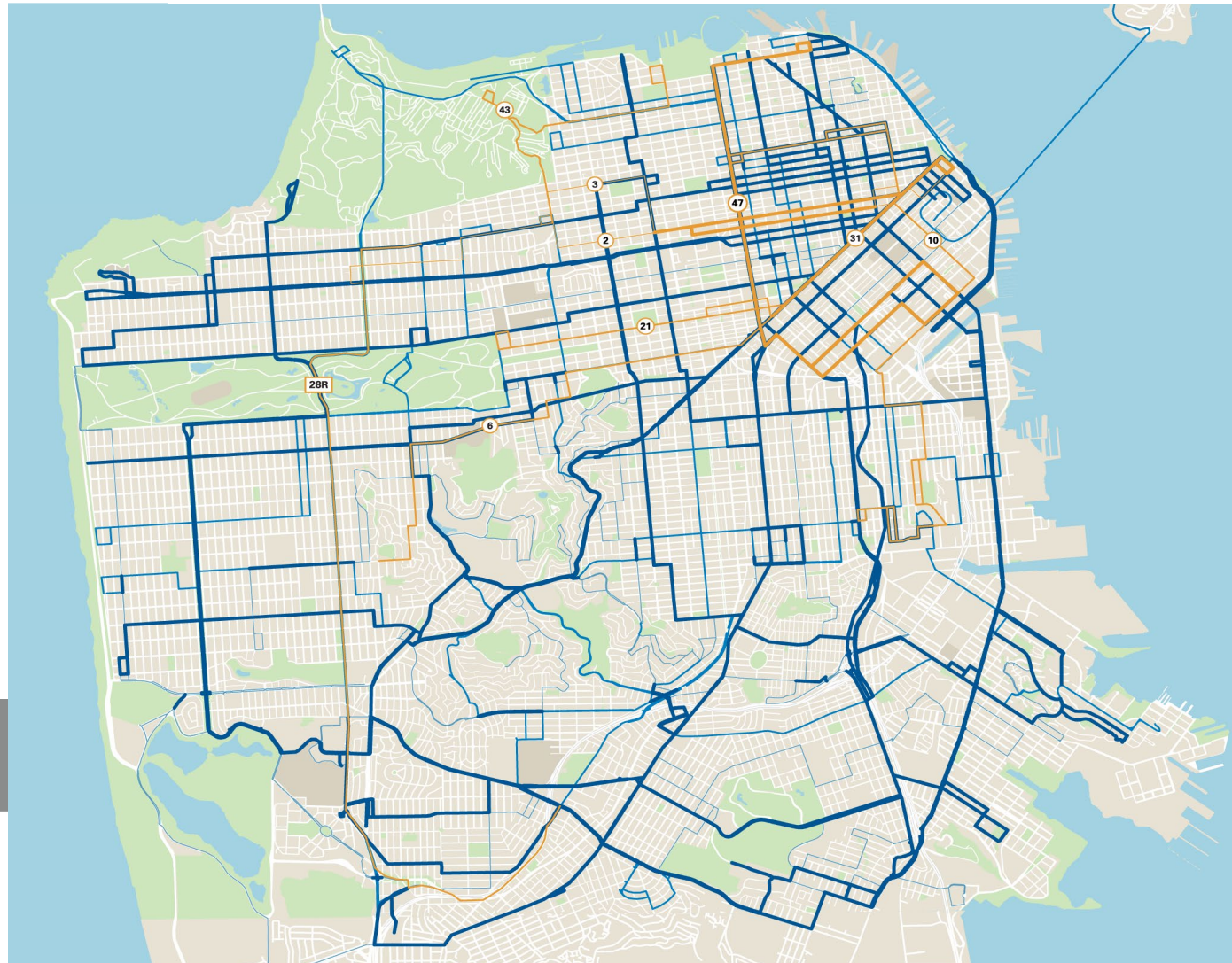
Service increased on high ridership Muni lines and not restoring five of the seven routes.

Hybrid scenario

Aims to balance the Familiar and Frequent and does not restore two of the routes that have not been yet.

All-day bus routes & route segments not yet restored

- Existing network
(line width indicates frequency)
- 2019 service not yet restored



... and Thousands Responded

- 5 virtual open houses, 2 office hours in September, October (with interpretation)
- Over 40 briefings with key stakeholders, neighborhood associations and community-based organizations
- Multilingual online website, StoryMap
- Multilingual survey to collect feedback (with 4,500 responses)
- Neighborhood festivals and pop ups
- Multilingual posters at 650 locations across the city
- Multilingual media outreach
- Thousands of multilingual emails to stakeholders
- Blog and social media postings



What We Heard & What We're Proposing

- ✓ Restore key pre-pandemic connections
 - For example, direct service to St. Mary's Hospital
- ✓ Preserve or restore Muni access in hilly areas
 - For example, Ashbury Heights
- ✓ Focus on access for people with disabilities and seniors
 - For example, service on Post and Sutter
- ✓ Find ways to address frequency
 - For example, Geary, Stockton and Mission

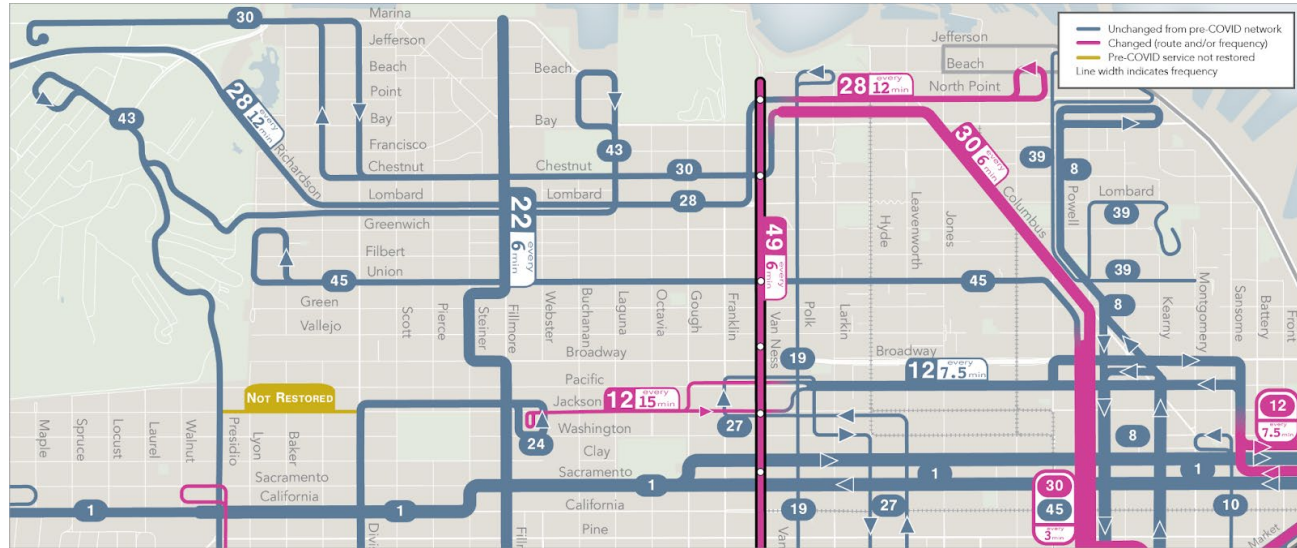
Draft Recommendations

- **Restored in full:** 6 Haight/Parnassus, 28R 19th Avenue Rapid, 43 Masonic to Fort Mason
- **Restored with changes:** 2 Clement, 10 Townsend, 21 Hayes, 31 Balboa
- **Not restored:** 3 Jackson, 47 Van Ness
- **Additional changes (frequency):** 5 Fulton, 12 Folsom/Pacific, 30 Stockton, 38R Geary Rapid, 58 Lake Merced
- **Additional changes (route):** 12 Folsom/Pacific, 23 Monterey, 28 19th Avenue, 49 Van Ness/Mission, 52 Excelsior, 57 Parkmerced, 58 Lake Merced, 66 Quintara
- **Decisions to be made:** J Church, 48 Quintara/24th Street

The Presidio, the Marina, Fisherman's Wharf, Chinatown, North Beach

28 19th Avenue & 43 Masonic

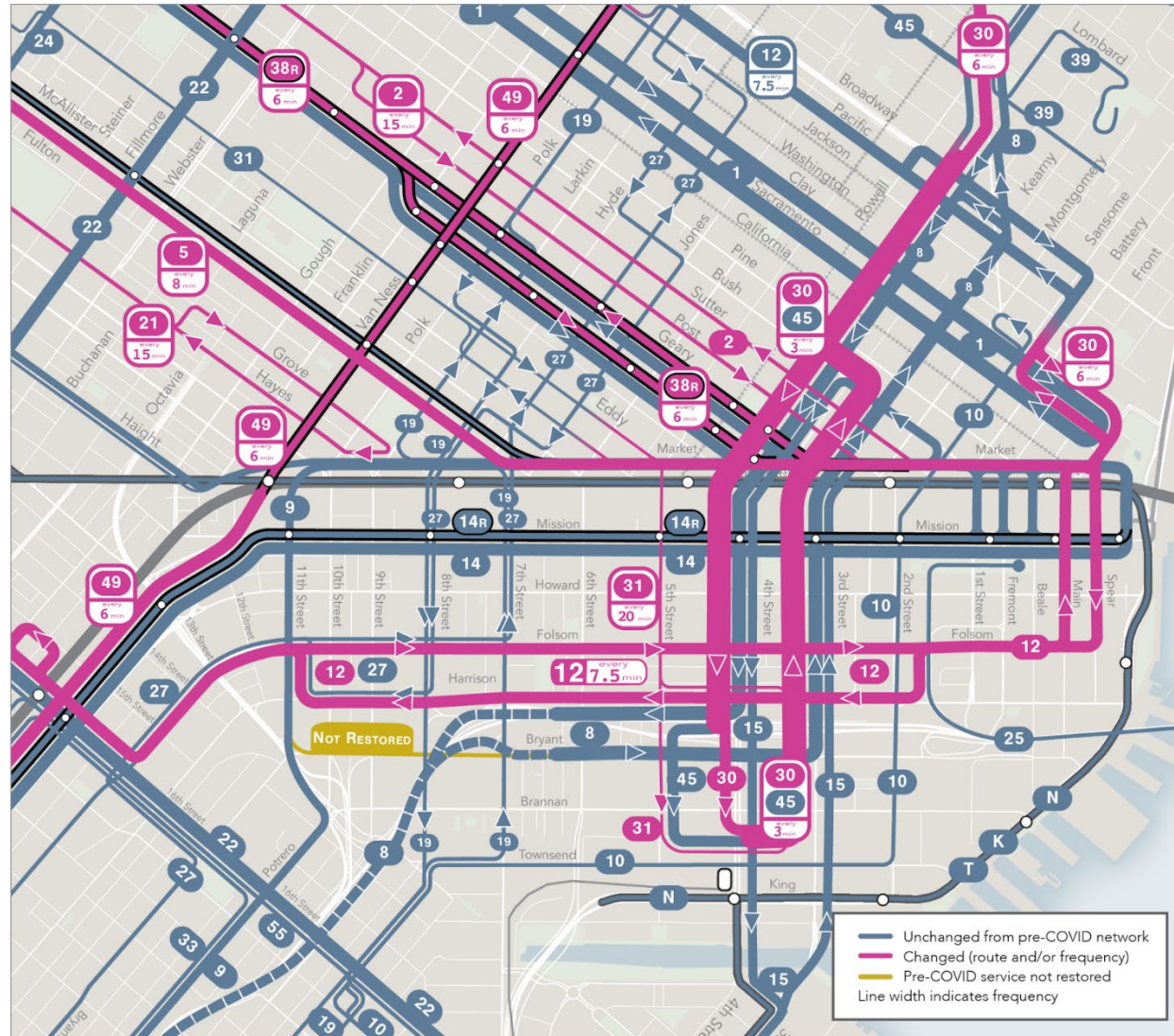
- **47 Van Ness** not yet restored
- **28 19th Avenue** extended from Van Ness/North Point to Fisherman's Wharf (12-minute frequency)
- **49 Van Ness/Mission** maintained at 6-minute frequency (improved from 8-9 minutes pre-pandemic)
- **43 Masonic** restored from Munich/ Geneva to Fort Mason/Marina Safeway (12-minute frequency)



South of Market, Market Street, Financial District

47 Van Ness & 49 Van Ness/Mission

- **47 Van Ness** not yet restored
- **49 Van Ness/Mission** maintained at 6-minute frequency (improved from 8-9 minutes pre-pandemic)
- **12 Folsom/Pacific** long line from Fillmore/Jackson to Cesar Chavez/Valencia (15-minute frequency)
- **12 Folsom/Pacific** short line from Van Ness/Jackson to 16th St/Mission BART (15-minute frequency)
- **31 Balboa** rerouted to Caltrain via 5th St (20-minute frequency)



Next Steps: Winter 2022

- Continue outreach through the fall
- Seek policy guidance from SFMTA Board and Board of Supervisors
- Return to SFMTA Board on Dec. 7, 2021 to propose approval
- Expected implementation in Feb. 2022



Member Comment

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Next Meeting



February 24, 6:00 p.m.

Thank You



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