

**SITE: Bank of America Building (So. Van Ness @ Market)
One South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor
Union Square Conference Room, #7080**

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AGENDA: October 17, 2013, 1 to 3 p.m.

Members Present:

Heidi Seretan, Roland Wong, Randall Glock, Miro Kielbus, Demian Williams, jakkee bryson, Jeanne Lynch, Bruce Morgan, Les Clark, Byron Yan, Stu Smith, Jane Redmond, Ed Evans, Jean Green

Members Absent (all Excused):

Kevin Lee, Dave Longa, Joseph Flanagan, Martin Smith

Guests:

Lurilla Harris, Daniel Catalan, Steph Chang, Earl Davis, Jessica Ellis

1. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Glock and seconded to approve the agenda and minutes.

Motion passed.

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

Presentations:

3. Polk Street Bike Lanes

Luis Montoya, SFMTA Planning Division
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Mr. Montoya presented on the Polk Street Bike Lane Project. This is a project which takes place on a 20 block stretch of Polk Street, from California to McAllister. This project is timed to coincide with a repaving project in 2015. Currently, the SFMTA has held a series of community meeting seeking input on how to improve safety from pedestrians and cyclists along this corridor. Based on these meetings, the main improvements will be an upgrading of several crosswalks to the “continental” style, placement of red zones near crossings to improve sight lines, bulb outs at key intersections, modifications to signal timing to slow vehicle traffic, landscaping, and the provision of seating. There is also a proposal to place a southbound bike lane along the entire length of the project area. Northbound, there is a proposal to have a sharrow from California Street to Union, and a bike lane McAllister to California.

Mr. Kielbus thanked Mr. Montoya for his presentation and asked about the 19 Polk Line; how will this effect it? Also how many parking spaces will be removed?

Mr. Montoya stated that about 100-150 spaces will be removed.

4. Proposed Seating Changes on Muni LRVs Three Car Consists on Muni LRVs

John Haley, Director of Transit

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Mr. Haley presented on the double berthing of LRVs in the subway. This idea came out of several customer complaints about the LRVs stopping in stations, yet not allowing passenger to get on or off. Double berthing will allow for an LRV to pull into the second position, load and unload passengers, then pull up into the first position, or primary boarding location, and board and unload passengers again. This will allow two trains to load and unload simultaneously at some of our stations; most likely at Civic Center and Powell.

Mr. Glock thanked Mr. Haley for his presentation and requested that Embarcadero be added to the list of stations which allow double berthing.

Mr. Wong wanted to clarify that there will be two separate trains boarding at the same time. This was confirmed.

Mr. Morgan asked about the new 3 car train – Will the communications system in this train work on all three cars?

Mr. Haley stated that this train is permanently linked to a 3 car consist, and that ensures that the communications system works.

Mr. Evans asked if he is required to place his wheelchair in the securement area of LRVs.

Mr. Kielbus stated that we need better options for visual signage on the cars and in the stations – For people who are hearing impaired, verbal announcements do not work.

For Discussion:

5. SFPD and Enforcement: Cyclists and Smokers

Cmdr. Mikail Ali, SFPD

Captain Denise Flarity presented on behalf of Cmdr. Ali. Capt. Flarity has 22 years' experience on the force with the last 5 years spent in the traffic company. To give an idea of recent activities, last month, the traffic company issued 55 citations for cyclists on the sidewalk; mainly in the Mission, Tenderloin, and Southern Station.

Mr. Morgan stated that he has been hit several times at Columbus and union – Are there any ways which we can pin down cyclists, such as licensing them? Also, how much do the fines run?

Capt. Flarity stated that licensing needs to be legislated at the state level – As for fines, they run between \$65 and \$155.

Mr. S. Smith asked is the SFPD track citations by violation type? Also, is there a way to encourage officers to cite more cyclists who violate the law?

Capt. Flarity stated that they do track citation, and they are rising. As for encouragement, this is part of our job, so that's what encourages us to issue citations.

Ms. Lynch stated that enforcement needs to occur in the Richmond.

Mr. Evans stated that in the tenderloin we need to step up enforcement; repeat offenders should have their bikes impounded.

6. MAAC Representation and Advocacy Efforts

SFMTA Board:

Stu Smith, Jeanne Lynch, Jean Green, Heidi Seretan

Mayor's Disability Council:

Roland Wong, Jean Green, Jeanne Lynch, jakkee bryson

SF Board of Supervisors:

Jeanne Lynch, jakkee bryson, Stu Smith

SFCTA CAC:

Miro Kielbus, Roland Wong

Police Commission:

Ed Evans

7. New Business

No new business

8. Announcements

No announcements

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm

The next MAAC meeting is on November 21st

