



# Geary Community Advisory Committee

July 16, 2019

*Members please sit at the table*

## 2. Order of Business

1. Call to Order
2. Roll call
3. Ice breaker activity
4. Approval of minutes – [May 21, 2019](#)
5. Public comment
6. Geary Rapid – Project updates
7. Geary Rapid – Near-term implementation initial evaluation results
8. Geary Rapid – Implementation update
9. Geary Rapid – Outreach update
10. Adjourn

## 4. Ice breaker

If you could live anywhere in the world for a year, where would it be?

# 5. Approval of Minutes

- [May 21, 2019](#)

# 6. 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.

# 7. Geary Rapid Project updates

## Geary Rapid Project awarded \$2 million for Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) grant

- Grant administered by California Strategic Growth Council
- Receiving funding in partnership with the 500 Turk Project, which will construct 108 new affordable units, to be completed in 2021
- In proximity to 500 Turk, several pedestrian bulb-outs will be constructed on Geary and O'Farrell streets

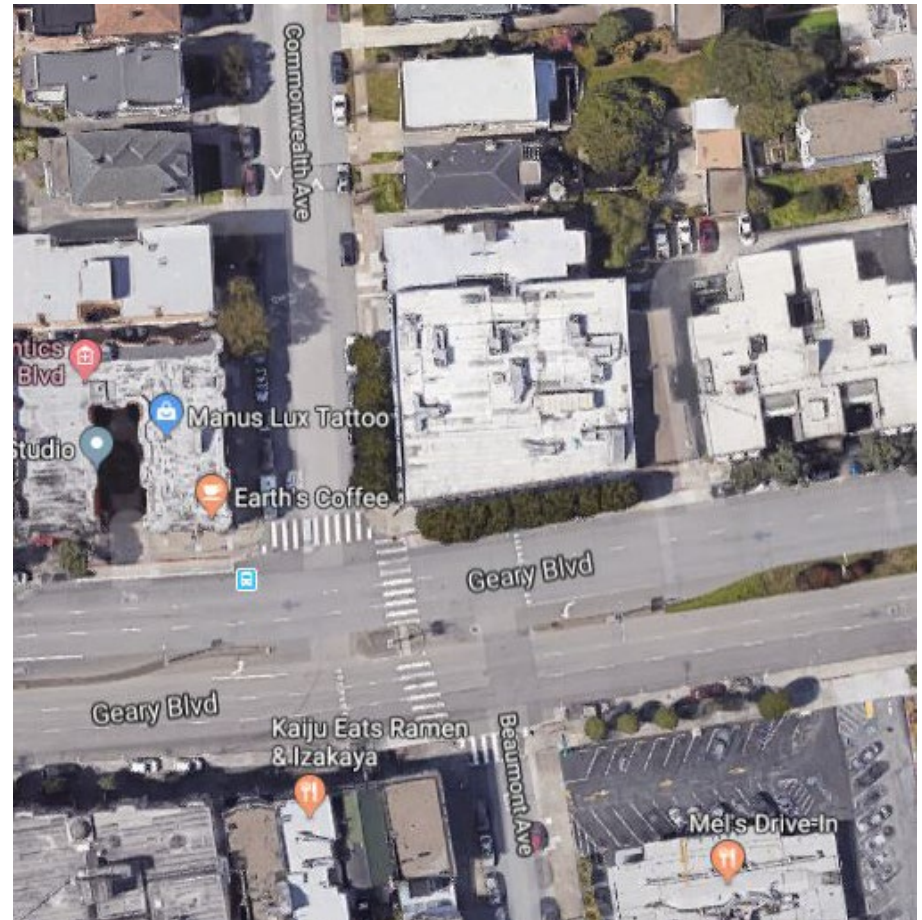


*500 Turk Project Rendering*

# 7. Geary Rapid Project updates

## Commonwealth/Beaumont Signalization

- To install a traffic signal, cars would no longer be allowed to make left-turns onto Geary from Commonwealth or Beaumont
- Planning outreach with nearby neighbors/businesses
- Anticipated outreach methods to be implemented in late summer/early fall 2019:
  - Mailer
  - Door-to-Door
  - Survey
  - Signs
  - Nextdoor
  - Event



# 7. Geary Rapid Project update

<b>Geary Rapid Project - Project Report</b> <b>SFMTA only</b>			
	<b>Design</b>	<b>Construction</b>	<b>Total</b>
Budget	\$ 5.0M	\$ 29.0M	\$ 34.0M
Expenditures*	\$ 4.9M	\$ 2.5M	\$ 7.4M
% complete	98%	6%	20%
Budget Status	Monitoring	Monitoring	Monitoring
Est. Completion	Summer '19	Spring '21	Spring '21
Schedule Status	On track	On track	On track

*\*financial data as of 6/17/2019*

<b>Geary Rapid Project - All Construction Contracts</b> <b>includes MTA, PUC Sewer and Water, DT, Paving and Curb Ramps</b>			
<b>Contract/Work</b>	<b>Estimated</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Status</b>
MTA Near-Term	\$ 1.0M	\$ 1.0M	Complete
PUC Sewer/Water	\$ 16.0M	\$ 16.2M	Underway
PW Geary East	\$ 6.2M	\$ 8.7M	Awarded
PW Steiner Demo	\$ 1.0M		100% design
PW Geary West	\$ 15.4M		100% design
	\$ 39.8M	\$ 25.9M	

*New this meeting*



# 8. Geary Rapid – Near-term implementation initial evaluation results

**Purpose:** To gauge benefits and impacts from initial project improvements: transit-only lanes and bus stop changes

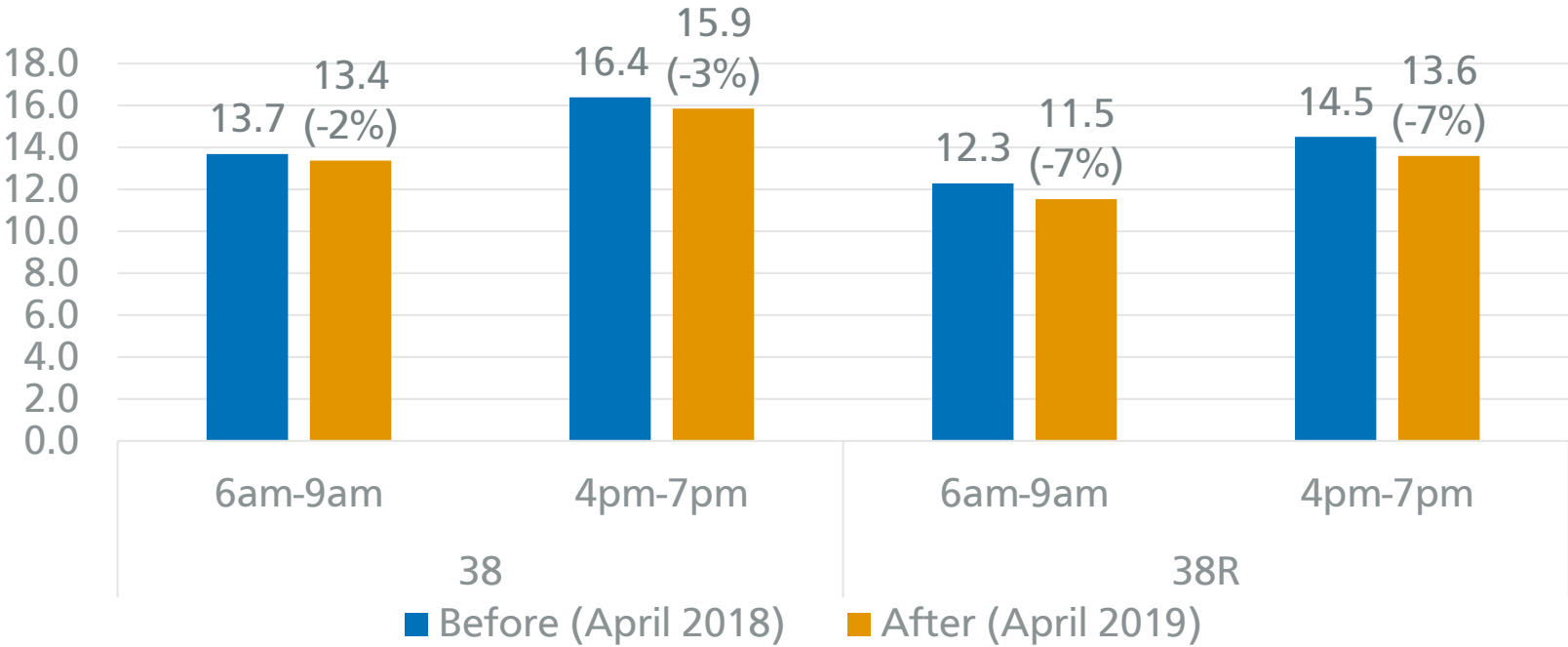
## **Metrics analyzed:**

- Transit travel time
- Transit reliability
- Bus rider input (via on-board survey)
- Auto travel time

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**Transit Travel Time:** New transit-only lanes and bus stop changes appear to be improving service, ~ 1 minute faster for 38 Rapid inbound

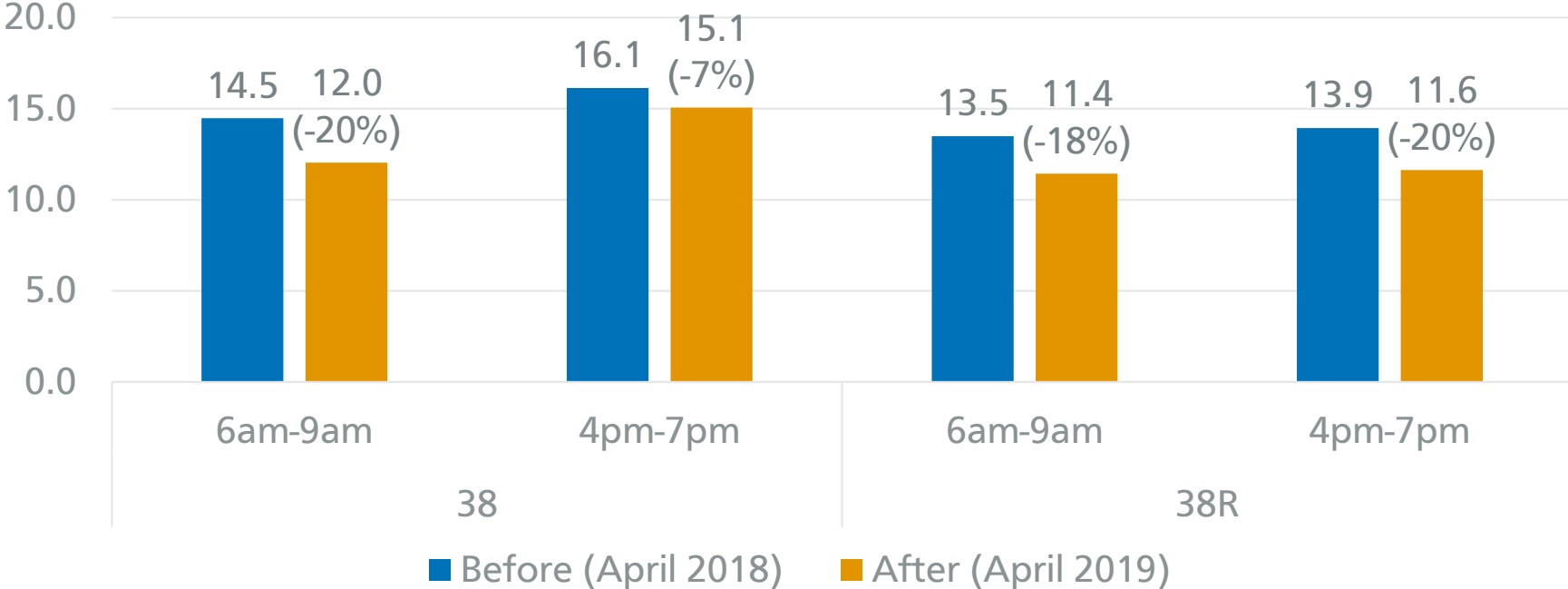
**Between Arguello and Van Ness - Inbound**



# 8. Geary Rapid – Near-term implementation initial evaluation results

**Transit Travel Time:** New transit-only lanes and bus stop changes appear to be improving service, >2 minutes faster for 38 Rapid outbound

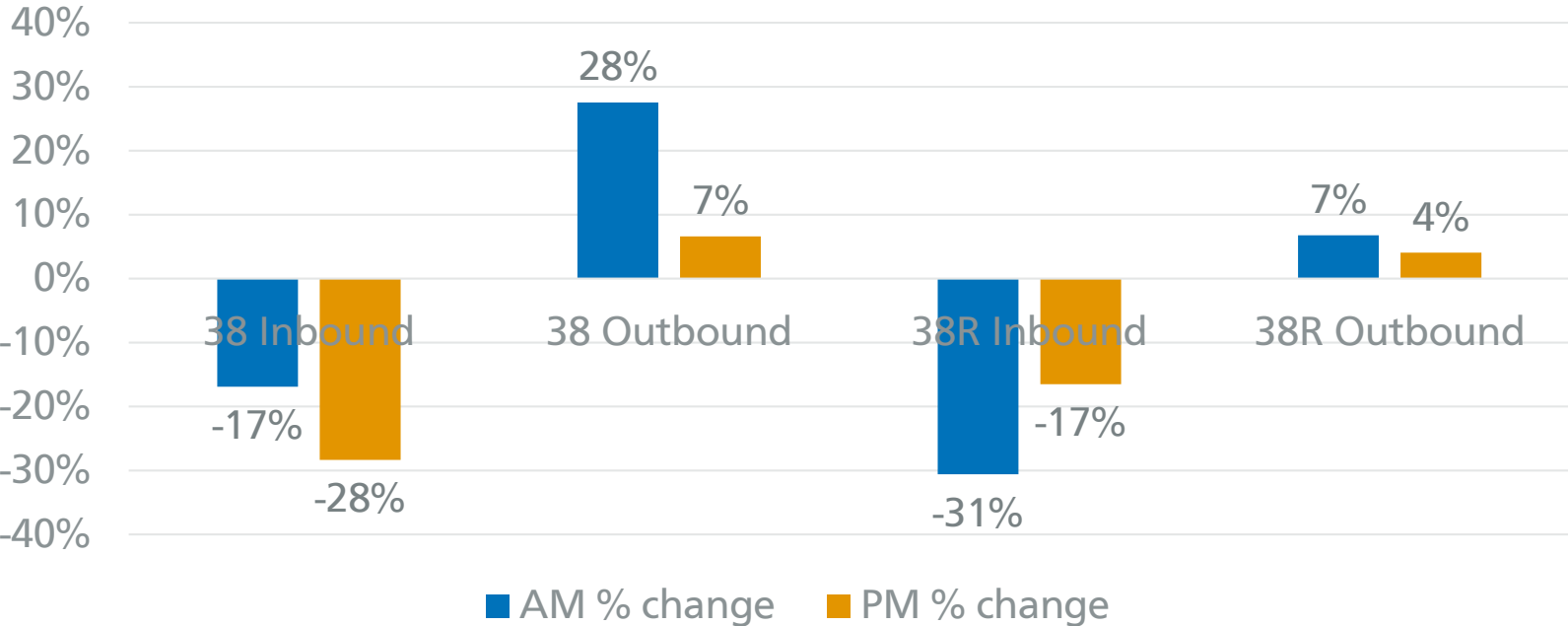
Between Van Ness and Arguello - Outbound



# 8. Geary Rapid – Near-term implementation initial evaluation results

**Transit Reliability:** While there was greater travel time savings for outbound service, inbound became more reliable

Difference between fastest and slowest trip:  
**Arguello - Van Ness**



# 8. Geary Rapid – Near-term implementation initial evaluation results

## Bus Rider Input: On-board survey overview

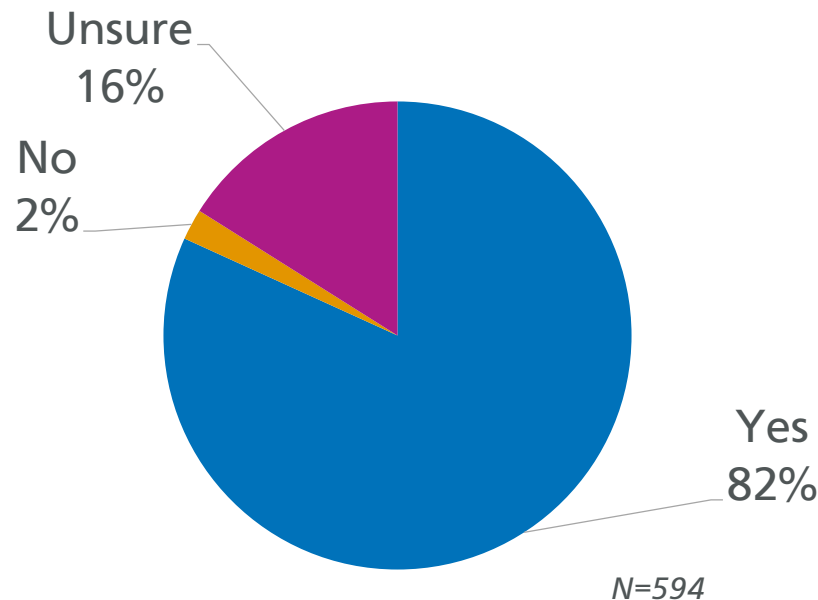
- SFMTA retained a professional surveying firm, Ewald & Wasserman, to conduct the survey
- Conducted on weekdays between April 24 and May 3, 2019
- Trained surveyors conducted the survey in 5 languages: English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Russian, Chinese
- 600 surveys completed (88.6% response rate)
- Included 38 and 38R



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## Bus Rider Input: Vast majority of riders think they are saving time

*Do you think you saved time after the changes in transit-only lanes and bus stops on Geary?*

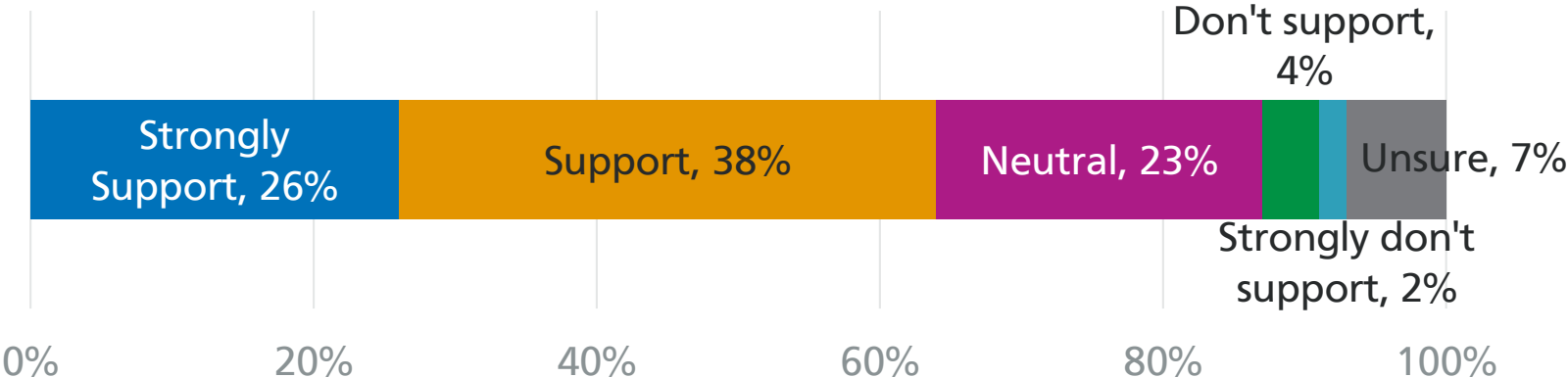


Of those who reported saving time, average (mean) time perceived to be saved was **11 minutes**

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**Bus Rider Input: Majority of riders support recent changes, only 6% don't support**

Overall, how much do you support the recent transit and roadway changes on Geary?

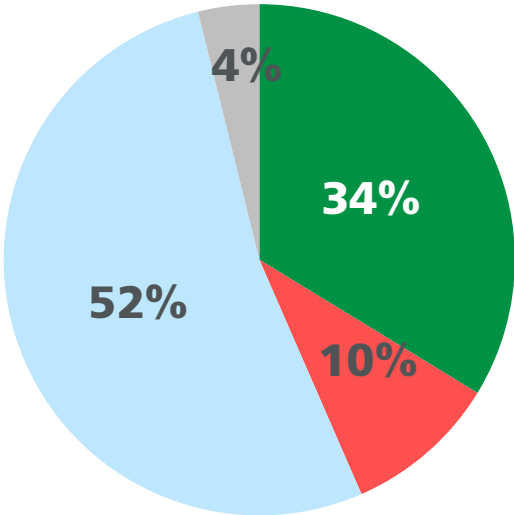


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**Bus Rider Input: About 1/3 of riders report riding the bus more often compared to 6 months ago**

*Compared to six months ago, do you ride the 38 local and 38 Rapid buses...*



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■ More often   ■ Less Often   ■ Just as Often   ■ Not Sure



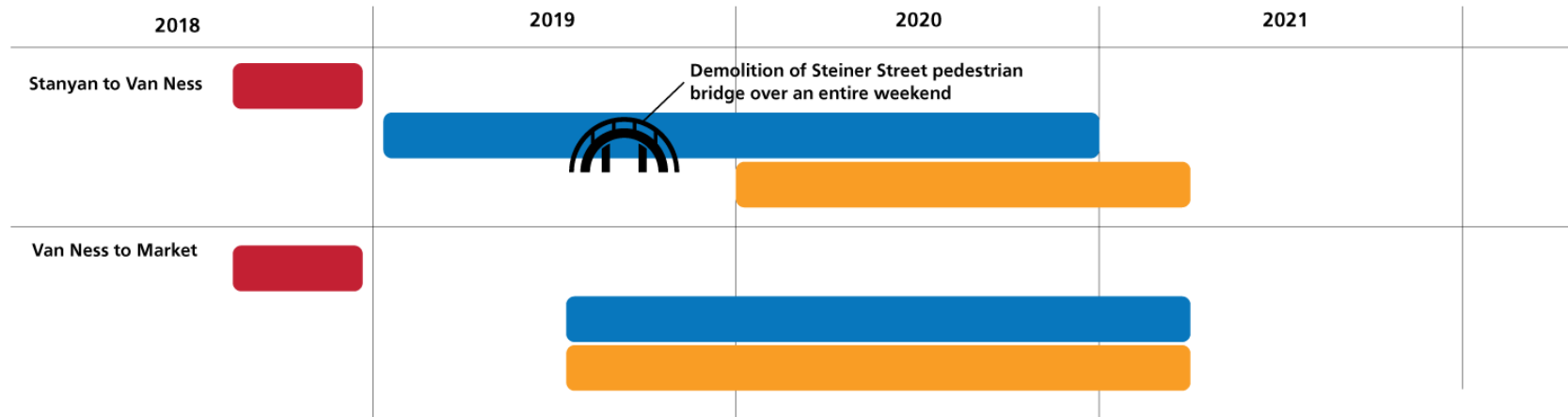
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## **Auto travel time: Transit travel time benefits outweigh small increase in auto travel time in inbound direction**

- Used Inrix Roadway Analytics, which collects and aggregates traffic data from sources such as GPS, smartphones, and other sensors
- Compared auto travel times between Arguello and Gough for the month of September 2018 (before) and the month of January 2019 (after)
- Key findings:
  - Small increase in auto travel time in inbound direction, up to ~1 minute (~15% increase)
  - Decrease in auto travel time in outbound direction, not sure why
  - Speeds on parallel streets stayed similar to streets outside the project area, indicating diversions were likely small
  - Transit travel time savings was greater than auto travel time increase

# 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



Upgraded traffic signals



Pedestrian bulbs

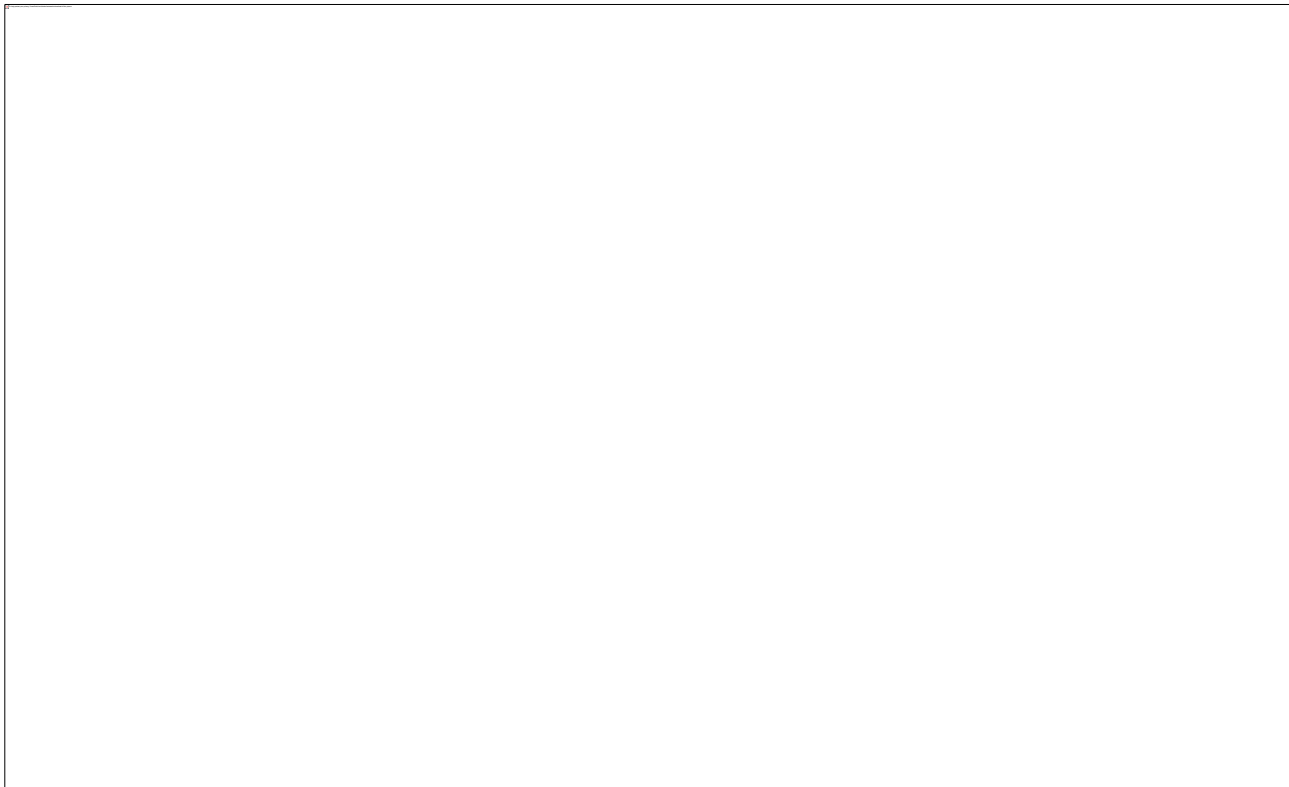


Roadway repaving (Masonic to Van Ness)

# 9. Geary Rapid – Implementation update

## SFPUC Water/Sewer Masonic to Van Ness

- Recent work between Presidio and Scott streets



# 9. Geary Rapid – Implementation update

## **“Geary East” contract: Van Ness to Market Street**

- Contract managed by SF Public Works, awarded to Mitchell Engineering
- Notice to Proceed anticipated in July 2019

## **Steiner Bridge Demolition**

- Expect SF Public Works to advertise this month

## **“West Surface” contract: Stanyan to Van Ness**

- Nearing 100% design, anticipating SF Public Works to advertise in August 2019

# 9. Geary Rapid – Implementation update

## Masonic and Fillmore-Webster inbound transit shelters

- Both shelters have been installed



# 10. Geary Rapid – Outreach update

**Fillmore Merchants business support meetings to provide info about:**

- Weekly construction forecasts, project hotline and email
- As-needed wayfinding signage and business banners
- Marketing options
- Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD) services – door-to-door outreach



Upcoming: Japantown, Tenderloin, Union Square

# 11. Adjourn

- Thank you!
- Next meeting:
  - September 17, 6:00 p.m.
  - 1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Union Square Conference Room