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**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY**

DIVISION: Transit Services

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

Approving parking and traffic modifications to implement new bus terminals and bus stops for the 1 California, 28R 19th Ave Rapid, 1BX California Express transit lines in support of Muni Forward Service Improvements on April 23, 2016.

SUMMARY:

- On March 28, 2014, the SFMTA Board of Directors approved the Transit Effectiveness Project (TEP) Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and various Service Improvements to improve transit performance along various Municipal Railway routes.
- These proposed changes, including traffic and parking modifications at various locations, will promote the City's Transit-First Policy by improving transit performance for the 1 California, 28R 19th Ave Rapid, 1BX California Express.
- The proposed Service Improvement includes new terminal locations for the 1 California, 28R 19th Ave Rapid, 1BX California Express; and new bus stops for the 28R 19th Ave Rapid.
- Community feedback received during door-to-door outreach and a Public Hearing on indicates merchants and residents support the proposed improvements.

ENCLOSURES:

1. SFMTAB Resolution
2. SFMTA Resolution No. 14-041 <http://www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/agendaitems/3-28-14%20Item%206%20TEP%20CEQA%20approval%20resolution.pdf>
3. TEP FEIR <http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=2970>

APPROVALS:

DATE

DIRECTOR _____ 4/11/16

SECRETARY R. Boomer _____ 4/11/16

ASSIGNED SFMTAB CALENDAR DATE: April 19, 2016

PURPOSE

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GOAL

This action supports the following SFMTA Strategic Plan Goal and Objectives:

Goal 1: Create a safer transportation experience for everyone

Objective 1.3: Improve the safety of the transportation system.

Goal 2: Make transit, walking, bicycling, taxi, ridesharing and carsharing the preferred means of travel

Objective 2.1: Improve customer service.

Objective 2.2: Improve transit performance.

Objective 2.3: Increase use of all non-private auto modes.

DESCRIPTION

To reduce travel times and enhance reliability across the Muni system, Muni Forward proposes a wide variety of changes and improvements to transit service, including introducing new routes, realigning existing routes, and increasing frequencies. On March 28, 2014, the SFMTA Board of Directors asserted its strong support for Muni Forward by approving the program's catalog of transit service change recommendations. Developed from the findings of years' worth of data collection and analysis and solidified with the feedback received from community members, merchants, neighborhood groups, citizens' advisory committees, and other stakeholders during more than 100 public meetings to discuss them, the service changes approved by the SFMTA Board represent a realignment of the system to reduce crowding and improve access. Additionally, the SFMTA Board also adopted the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the TEP, as required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which includes the array of transit improvements that are included the Muni Forward program.

Included in the service changes approved by the SFMTA Board in March, 2014 was a realignment of the various routes. The implementation of the approved route alignments requires the establishment of new terminal locations and bus stops.

Specifically, the SFMTA proposes the following:

- A. ESTABLISH – BUS ZONE (1 California) - California Street, south side, from 6th Ave to 100 feet easterly
- B. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING EXCEPT MUNI, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 6:30 AM TO 10:00 AM - Geary Boulevard, north side, from 5th Avenue to 121 feet easterly (part-time Muni layover location at metered parking spaces 4018 and 4024)
- C. TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 6:30 AM TO 10:00 AM - 6th Avenue, east side, from Geary Boulevard to 54 feet northerly (removes two parking spaces part-time)

D. ESTABLISH – BUS ZONE - Arch Street, west side, from Alemany Boulevard to 100 feet northerly Alemany Boulevard, north side, from Arch Street to 100 feet easterly

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Multiple terminal locations were considered and tested, including a terminal located in between Lakeshore Plaza driveways. This location was not pursued because of potential visibility issues resulting from vehicles exiting the driveway directly east of that location.

FUNDING IMPACT

The cost is negligible and is included in the FY16 operating budget.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

In 2015 and 2016, door-to-door outreach was conducted to residences and merchants in the vicinity of the proposed changes. These items were presented at public hearing on March 4, 2016 and March 19, 2016. No members of the public spoke about this proposal at the public hearings.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The TEP Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was certified by the San Francisco Planning Commission in Motion No. 19105 on March 27, 2014. Subsequently, on March 28, 2014 in Resolution No. 14-041, the SFMTA Board of Directors approved the Transit Effectiveness Project, including various Service Improvements to improve transit performance along various Municipal Railway routes. As part of the Resolution No. 14-041, the SFMTA Board of Directors adopted findings under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the Administrative Code (CEQA Findings) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP). Approval of TEP Service Improvements relies on said the TEP FEIR. The San Francisco Planning Commission certified the FEIR for the Transit Effectiveness Project on March 27, 2014. This proposal is within the scope of the FEIR. The SFMTA approved all of the TEP proposals and, in doing so, adopted environmental findings and a mitigation monitoring and reporting program (MMRP) under the California Environmental Quality Act on March 28, 2014.

The City Attorney's Office has reviewed this calendar item.

RECOMMENDATION

Approving parking and traffic modifications to implement new bus terminals and bus stops for the 1 California, 28R 19th Ave Rapid, 1BX California Express transit lines in support of Muni Forward Service Improvements on April 23, 2016.

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. _____

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency has proposed the traffic and parking modifications to implement new bus terminals and bus stops for the 1 California, 28R 19th Ave Rapid, 1BX California Express transit lines included in the Muni Forward Service Improvements as follows:

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WHEREAS, This project was analyzed in the Transit Effectiveness Project Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) certified by the San Francisco Planning Commission in Motion No. 19105 on March 27, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, Approval for the proposed bus terminal, and right turn lane exemption in the Parkmerced area relies on said FEIR, and information pertaining to the FEIR and its certification are set forth in a SFMTA companion Resolution No 14-041, which is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, As part of the companion Resolution No. 14-041, the SFMTA Board of Directors adopted approval findings under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the Administrative Code (CEQA Findings) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), which Resolution, CEQA Findings, and MMRP are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board has reviewed the FEIR and hereby finds that since certification of the FEIR, no changes have occurred in the proposed project or in the circumstances under which the project would be implemented that would cause new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts identified and analyzed in the FEIR, and that no new information has emerged that would materially change the analysis of conclusions set forth in the FEIR. The actions approved herein would not necessitate implementation or additional or considerably different mitigation measures that those identified in the FEIR; and,

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed modifications and has been given the opportunity to comment on those modifications through the public hearing process; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves parking and traffic modifications to implement new bus terminals and bus stops for the 1 California, 28R 19th Ave Rapid, 1BX California Express transit lines in support of Muni Forward Service Improvements on April 23, 2016 as set forth in items A and D above.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of April 19, 2016.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency