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SFMTA Bicycle Program Report to the BAC

September 2008

A. PLANNING

1. BICYCLE PLAN –

A.1.a. Plan – Comments from the City Attorney's Office and BAC are still being incorporated. Official public comment is proposed to be closed at the 9/25/08 BAC meeting.

A.1.b. EIR – The second Draft of Consolidated Transportation Impact Study (TIS) was reviewed by SFMTA and sent to MEA. Currently on-track to complete Draft EIR (DEIR) by 11.27.08 (Thanksgiving)

A.1.c. Implementation – Public comments, additional outreach with neighborhood and merchant groups, and the draft results of the EIR TIS are being used to develop preferred options for some projects. Staff anticipates additional public meetings in winter 2008.

Tentative Key Date Summary:

A.1.a. Plan

Citywide Open House Meeting – March 26, 2008

Neighborhood/Area Public Meetings- May-June 2008

Executive Summary, including all goals, objectives, and actions – draft presented to BAC via Task Force 4/25/08, final version presented to BAC 7/24/08

Chapters 1-8 – Draft to be presented to BAC via Task Force 8/28/08

Final Draft Presentation of Plan at BAC- 09/25/08

1. BICYCLE PLAN (cont'd)

A.1.b. EIR

Initial Study - Final Draft – 3/15/2008

Transportation Impact Study - Final Draft – August 2008

Public Draft EIR – November 27, 2008*
EIR Comments and Responses – TBD*
EIR Certification –TBD*
BOS Appeal Period Ends – TBD*
Final EIR – Spring/Summer 2009*

* As Communicated at the July 21 BOS Land Use Committee Hearing

A.1.b. Implementation

Additional Community Meetings- Winter 2008

Implementation after FEIR and Superior Court’s approval ~ Fall 2009

B. FACILITIES

1. FELL/MASONIC INTERSECTION - Signal modification at Fell and Masonic intersection was activated September 16, 2008. An on-site press conference to commemorate this event was held on Tuesday, September 23. Information regarding this signal can be found on our website www.sfmta.com/bikes

2. MASONIC AVENUE – Staff submitted and allocation request to the SFCTA for traffic calming funds that could be used for the comprehensive “FixMasonic” planning project.

3. BICYCLE LOCKERS – Bicycle locker renters at the Transbay Terminal were informed that they must remove their bicycle and belongings from the locker before the scheduled demolition of the Transbay Terminal beginning in November.

C. FUNDING

1. UPCOMING PROP K Allocations – Bike Ed and BTWD Allocation Requests Forms were submitted to the SFCTA. Staff is working internally to expedite competitive process, and with SFCTA to deal with funds and 5YPP issues. Staff responded to questions on both ARFs from the SFCTA.

D. SAFETY OUTREACH

1. FALL BIKE LIGHT CAMPAIGN - Staff continues researching space for additional billboard placement and collecting quotes and looking for match-funding to purchase more bike lights for distribution in mid-November.

2. BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES – Staff will continue to provide data and information as needed for a research project on the top 6 US Bicycle Friendly

Communities for the League of American Bicyclists. San Francisco was reconfirmed as Gold Level Bicycle Friendly City.

E. OTHER

1. REPORT CARD – Staff received the final draft survey report 9/19 and is currently reviewing. This project is on-track for a Fall release of this report.

2. COLORED BIKE LANE EXPERIMENT– Staff submitted an allocation request for this experiment.

3. 2008 PRO WALK/PRO BIKE CONFERENCE – Three Bicycle Program staff members attended this conference in Seattle.

4. BICYCLE PROGRAM STAFF ADDITION – A new Engineering Assistant has been added to the Bicycle Program, increasing the staff to ten members and one part-time intern. This staff person will assist in the drafting of striping drawings and performing field data collection.