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October 2010 - SFMTA Livable Streets Quarterly Report to the Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC)

Compiled by the SFMTA Livable Streets Staff

A. PLANNING

1. BETTER STREETS PLAN: The Better Streets Plan is in the final process of approvals. The next public hearing of the plan is October, 28th at the Planning Commission. Final adoption is not scheduled until the Winter/Spring 2010/11

B. FACILITIES

1. PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS: Staff has completed an allocation request for pedestrian signal accessible pedestrian signals (APS) and pedestrian countdown signals (PCS) in the City. The planning portion will provide a ranked list of both 4-6 PCS locations and 3-4 APS locations to the Transportation Agency.

2. PEDESTRIAN DETECTION: Staff took steps to initiate testing of a new stereoscopic passive pedestrian detection technology, produced by Migma Systems, who has FHWA funding to do studies of this new technology nationally. San Francisco has few locations with non-intersection pushbutton-operated beacons that do not operate on solar power. No funding for staff time has been identified for this project.

C. Funding

1. OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT: Livable Streets Staff is looking to the PSAC for help with public involvement. This item is on today's agenda. This grant has a short timeframe and is aimed at developing a list or prioritized pedestrian projects.

2. NEW PROP K PED STANDARD GRANT AGREEMENTS (SGA): Staff submitted paperwork to open index codes for the new Prop K pedestrian projects including the continued conversion of standard crosswalks to continental, continued crosswalk

maintenance, the continued funding of the pedestrian counting project, and the continued repainting of red curbs near crosswalks.

D. Miscellaneous

1. STAFF MET WITH NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF WALK SF: Elizabeth Stampe will be present at today's meeting.

2. STAFF SPOKE AT A PEDESTRIAN COUNTING WORKING IN BERKELEY ON OCT. 4. A presentation was given regarding our automated counters and a pedestrian volume model that the City is developing. This model will help develop a pedestrian exposure model.

3. WALK YOUR BIKES ON SIDEWALK CAMPAIGN: SFMTA received 2,000 copies of the revised "Walk Your Bike on the Sidewalk" poster from the printer. The poster is printed in English, Chinese and Spanish.