

Meeting Notes

Community Working Group Meeting #2 Park Presidio Boulevard Area September 26, 2007

Attendees: Carol Brost, Pauline Soffa, Michelle Sahl, Brenda Altman, Greg Di Paolo, Adam Gubser (MTA), Dan Provence (MTA)

Absent: Judy Larch and Andy Baron

Review of Speed Data Collected

- Speeding defined: 15% or more of drivers going more than 5 MPH over the speed limit
- Data passed out to working group members (see webpage)
- 14th Ave. is most challenged. It also has high incident of illegal left turn from 14th Street to Funston during restricted times.
- Highest speeds recorded on Funston between Balboa and Anza

Review of Traffic Calming Devices

- Detailed description of traffic calming devices with pictures was sent to the working group members in advance of the meeting for review (see webpage)
- Concern: if funding is not a hurdle, please consider installing similar devices throughout the area in order to maintain unified neighborhood identification. The measures should include green space to tie into the existing established green belt.
- Speed Humps were generally disliked by the CWG. A concern is that their design is unappealing and could diminish the aesthetics of the street space.
- Traffic Circles: there was a discussion of the types of traffic circles in San Francisco and their associated implementation experiences. Examples include, Page Street, Dewy Circle, Urbano Drive etc.
- It was explained that if used traffic circles could work in with the existing street geometry. They would like to also see further examples either by email or on-line.
- Median Islands, examples given were 23rd Ave and Jordan at Geary.
- A concern that planted median islands could delay project implementation due to multi-agency approvals. It was explained that they would not unduly delay the project.
- Median Island could be installed as a phase one feature with speed humps as a secondary phase.
- While there is ample parking adjacent to the green belt, the CWG felt that parking loss should be kept to a minimum. They would assist in negotiating neighborhood support

for projects that may include minimal parking loss. They would like to also see further examples either by email or on-line.

Application of Traffic Calming Devices

- Desire for gateway median islands and/or bulb-outs on 14th and Funston
 - This could slow traffic as they turn on to the frontage roads.
 - This could reduce the number of vehicles that use 14th and Funston in order to execute a desired left turn from Park Presidio.
 - Proposed for all locations, with priority to fastest locations
- Idea of traffic circles discussed for Lake
 - More information about effectiveness is requested.
- Mid-Block Median Islands for speed reduction as a phase one measure with speed humps as a secondary phase if speed reduction is not achieved.

Next Steps

- Compile information about traffic circles so the community can better understand them
- Use community working group input to create a draft traffic calming plan for the area
- Present this plan to the larger community for feedback in late October or November