

SFMTA Municipal Transportation Agency

Lombard Street Safety Project SFMTA Board Meeting

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Lombard Street: Safety in Action



Lombard Street is a high-injury corridor: 157 collisions between 2008 and 2013

2 fatalities 18 severe collisions

27 pedestrian collisions per mile (citywide rate is 4)

36% of Muni collisions involve boarding operations (e.g. stopped/standing, pulling to/from curb)

91 vehicle collisions per mile (citywide rate is 12)





- 3 community meetings (July, September, November)
- 7 stakeholder meetings
- 2 public hearings
- 2 walking tours





Safety Treatments: High-visibility Crosswalks and Advanced Limit Lines



Proposed Conditions



- Improves visibility
- Eliminates conflicts
- 37% crash reduction with high-visibility crosswalks
- 67% reduction of conflicts with advanced limit lines



Safety Treatments: Daylighting and Leading Pedestrian Interval

Existing Conditions



Proposed Conditions



Leading pedestrian intervals (LPI, or "pedestrian head start") release people walking at a signalized intersection 3-5 seconds before any conflicting autos receive the green.

- Eliminates conflicts
- Improves visibility
- Gives people walking a head start
- 30% crash reduction with daylighting
- 33% crash reduction with LPI



Safety Treatments: Pedestrian Bulbs

Existing Conditions

Proposed Conditions





- Improves visibility
- Reduces crossing distance
- Slows turning vehicles by 14%



Safety Treatments: Farside Transit Bulbs

Existing Conditions



Proposed Conditions



- Eliminates conflicts between drivers and buses
- Eliminates threat of right turn hook
- Improves visibility
- Reduces crossing distance
- Slows turning vehicles by 14%
- More street parking can be retained
- Improves transit reliability and efficiency (3 min travel time savings)



Transit Bulb Review

Benefits	Concerns	
General: reduce collision conflicts with vehicles	General: buses block traffic lane	
General: reduce sidewalk crowding	Relocate Farside: increase noise in front of residential land uses due to buses and transit customers	
Relocate Farside: reduce collision conflicts with pedestrians	Relocate Farside: Customers gather in front of people's homes	
Relocate Farside: Improve transit efficiency	Relocate Farside: unable to park in driveway curb cut	
Relocate Farside: Allow left and right turns	Relocate Farside: driveway blocked when bus loads/unloads	
Relocate Farside: reduce parking loss needed for transit	General: parking loss attributed to transit improvement (+/-)	
	General: block visibility of business entrance/sign (+/-)	



Intersection Proposal Summary



- Daylighting
- Leading pedestrian intervals
- Advanced limit lines
- Continental crosswalks

- Accessible pedestrian signals
- 9 pedestrian bulbs
- 3 pedestrian refuge/islands
- 9 transit bulbs



Project requires review for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Lead Agency for CEQA: San Francisco Planning Department

Review project details to determine if the project, as proposed, is within the scope of the analysis completed for the Transportation Effectiveness Project Environmental Impact Report.

Determination: Proposed project is within the scope of the TEP FEIR and no new significant environmental impacts were identified



Summer 2016	Summer 2016/	Summer 2017-	Summer 2018-
	Spring 2017	Fall 2018	Winter 2018/2019
Install near-term treatments	Reviews and permitting with Caltrans and Bid & Award	City construction	Caltrans paving



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