Stakeholder Workshop - Notes



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Overview

At the second workshop, stakeholders were provided with a recap of the first workshop, a summary of changes based on their comments at the first workshop, and continued to evaluate how well the conceptual plan aligned with the challenge statement. Stakeholders came to a consensus on moving forward with the proposals at most intersections, with the exception of five areas that required more discussion at a third workshop.

Note that not all suggestions below could be incorporated into the final project plan.

Challenge Statement

How do we increase safety for pedestrians and other fragile modes of transportation, while ensuring access for the commercial sector and improving the quality of Muni service for local trips, commuters, and special needs?

Mission & Geneva Intersection

- Overall
 - Personal safety is a serious issue plan should take this into account
 - People expect that there will be congestion at this intersection desire to see other design options even if there are congestion impacts
- Bus stops
 - Opposition to moving westbound stop in front of gas station because of pedestrian crossing movement for transfers
 - o Desire to move eastbound stop back in front of Popeyes
 - o Better lighting, shelter attracts crime
- Signal
 - If southbound left turn is banned, people will turn at Amazon where bike lane is, go to Naples, then get back onto Geneva
 - o SFMTA will look at traffic model, see if other options are feasible
- Other suggestions
 - o Widen crosswalks to match pedestrian path of travel
 - \circ Scramble
 - o Right-turns should have flashing yellow light
 - o Raised crosswalks
 - Remove newspaper racks

Geneva & London Intersection

Need enforcement

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- People park longer than they should
- o Bus zone is full of people parked there and loading
- Parking
 - Not enough loading zones
 - o Removing parking will impact businesses
 - o Difficult on Sundays, lots of double parking
 - \circ $\;$ Look at nearby areas where diagonal parking can be added

Bike improvements

- Amazon-Seneca bike connection on Mission
 - Concerns with bike/ped conflicts bicyclists may expect peds to yield
 - Concerns about parking impacts to adjacent businesses need to accommodate customers and delivery pickups
- Geneva continuous bike lanes (remove left turn pockets at Naples)
 - o No impacts to parking, but bike lanes may lead to demand for safety upgrades later
 - Left turn pocket is needed to see around the bus when the 54 is there (this may change depending on the potential 54 reroute)
- General agreement that bikes are 'fragile' mode, project should include some kind of bike improvement

Mission Street

- General
 - Slow down traffic along Mission, create hubs/nodes
 - No new parking meters
 - Don't help businesses who have night customers after 6pm
- Intersections with general consensus on proposed design:
 - o Italy
 - Family connections white zone
 - o France
 - o Onondaga
 - Shelter maintenance is bad there today
 - Norton/Brazil
 - Harington
 - Consider Jerry Garcia crosswalk
 - Santa Rosa
 - Excelsior

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- Look at separating pedestrians from turning vehicles
- o Cotter
 - Consider crosswalk across Mission with flashing lights for library
- Avalon/Theresa
- \circ Silver
 - Reach out to Jewish Home
- Castle Manor/Maynard
 - Consider flashing beacon
- o Ney
 - Pending outreach to Ney Street Neighbors

Geneva Avenue

- Intersections with general consensus on proposed design:
 - o Paris
 - o Madrid
 - o Athens

Locations to Discuss at Next Workshop

- 1. Mission & Geneva
- 2. Naples & Geneva/Amazon-Seneca (bike improvements)
- 3. Persia Triangle
- 4. New pedestrian crossing on Mission between Leo and Russia
- 5. Moscow & Geneva

Other comments/recommendations/feedback

- No enforcement by SFMTA they do not show up to give tickets
- Consider angled parking on side streets
- Suggestion to conduct a site visit to the Mission/Geneva intersection
- Add in yellow right turn arrows at intersections to encourage drivers to yield to pedestrians
- Bike lanes are affected by the turn at Amazon
- There are more pedestrian collisions than are reported to the police
- Removal of parking along the corridor is worrisome to small businesses
- Include data in the next round of packet information

Next steps

• SFMTA will provide multiple alternatives for the Mission/Geneva intersection

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- SFMTA will reach out to representatives from the San Francisco Campus for Jewish Living, Ney Street Neighbors and Manila Market.
- SFMTA will host another workshop
 - o 3-hour meeting
 - o Late January 2019
 - o Goal is to get final agreement on the five locations
- SFMTA to host an open house in March 2019 to inform the community about the decisions made through the series of workshops
- Current plan is to bring project to SFMTA Board in June 2019