

#### Temporary Rail Transfer and Bus Route Improvements

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#### **COVID-19 Muni Core Service Plan**



# August 22 service changes requiring parking and traffic changes

Rail resumed with new service plan (now temporarily suspended)



#### Several bus lines restored including modified 37 Corbett and 48 Quintara





## Especially with COVID-19, we can't return to the way rail was before ...







## Why remove lines from the subway?

- Running more trains per hour in subway than we can process
- Queues of trains waiting at portals
- Slow travel time in the subway

Pre-COVID-19 throughput of subway systems

Transit System	Trains/Hour	
Muni (scheduled)	42	
Muni (actual)	34-40	
BART (current)	22	
BART (projected with new train control)	30	
NYC subway (old train control)	10	
NYC subway (new train control)	38	
Washington D.C.	26	
Philadelphia	15	
Boston	15	







#### Rail Reopening What we learned

- Transfers worked, but were complex for customers and staff
  - Cantonese speaking ambassadors were key at West Portal
- Public was excited to see trains running again, made things feel "normal" for a time
- New wayfinding had gaps, but Ambassadors and support staff provided assistance
- Stations were exceptionally clean
- Staff from all over agency worked together to tackle challenges







## West Portal Station parking and traffic changes: implemented August 2020



Not pictured: 2 parking spaces removed in NW corner of Vicente at West Portal for 48 terminal + potential future removal of 2 parking spaces in NW corner of Ulloa at Wawona for back-up L Construction Shuttle terminal/stop

#### J Church parking and traffic changes

J Church extended to Duboce Avenue to provide connection to N Judah

- New temporary accessible platform on Church at Duboce
- New temporary outbound stop with accessible platform on Church south of Market improves connection to subway
- Temporary traffic restrictions maintained between 15<sup>th</sup> and Market to continue providing safe transfer environment





#### **Rail Transfer Projects stakeholder outreach**

Group	J Church	West Portal
SFMTA Citizens' Advisory Council	Х	Х
Senior Disability Action	Х	Х
Muni Accessibility Advisory Committee	Х	Х
San Francisco Transit Riders	Х	Х
West Portal Merchants		Х
West Portal Merchants/Greater West		Х
Portal Neighborhood Association		
West Portal Virtual Meeting/Public		Х
<b>Hearing</b> (Note there were two meetings because a technology		
issue on 7/18 prevented Public Comment from happening)		
Mission Dolores Neighborhood	Х	
Association		
Duboce Triangle Neighborhood	Х	
Assocation		
<b>Castro Community Benefits District</b>	Х	
<b>Castro Merchants Association</b>	X	
Church Street Public Hearing	Х	
SF Bike Coalition		Х



#### Key feedback: rail transfer projects

- Avoiding 2 transfers for outer L Taraval riders
- Managing traffic
- Managing transfer activity
- Transit operation
- Accessibility
- Supporting neighborhood business



### **37 Corbett (modified)**





### 48 Quintara-24 St (modified)



Route Modification in Noe Valley



### **Today's legislation**

Approving street changes for:

- 1. West Portal LK Transfer Project
- 2. J Church Transfer Improvements Project
- 3. 37 Corbett and 48 Quintara-24<sup>th</sup> bus route reinstatement



## Thank you

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