M Geary Boulevard Improvement Project



Community Enhancement Virtual Meeting September 11, 2024

Welcome! Zoom etiquette

- Please stay on mute and with video off during staff presentation.
- Chats go only to the Hosts
- Questions/comments can be shared
 - In app by **Raising Hand** and/or via **Chat**
 - On phone by Dialing *9 to Raise Hand. Dial *6 to mute/unmute
- Questions/comments will be responded to at the designated point in the agenda after staff presentation is complete





- 1. Project team introductions (5 minutes)
- 2. Supervisor Chan opening remarks (5 mins)
- 3. Presentation (30 minutes)
- 4. Questions, discussion (as long as there are questions, or until 7:30pm)



Geary Boulevard Improvement Project overview

Package of transit, safety, and roadway upgrades on Geary Boulevard in the Richmond District



Project rendering – Geary at 20th Avenue looking east





Project schedule





Project business support: Muni bus ads

Shopping focus



Project business support: Muni bus ads

Eating focus



Project business support: Muni bus ads

Services focus



Bus ads "in the wild"





View the Central Richmond business directory: SF.gov/ShopDineRichmond





Geary Boulevard Sewer and Water Improvements Phase 2

Preliminary Work: Coming late 2024 Major Construction: January 2025 – Fall 2027

Opportunities to learn more about the project:

sfpuc.gov/Geary

 Sign up for project updates, learn about upcoming webinars, see construction schedules and more

Community webinar

• Early October

Visit our booth at community events

- Richmond District Night Market September 21
- Autumn Moon Festival September 28

Contact us

GearyUpgrades@sfwater.org



What is a community enhancement?

Example from Geary Rapid Project: Buchanan/Geary median decorative railings











Deciding on a community enhancement for the project

- First round of outreach conducted in April and May 2024
- Over 1,800
 community members
 completed our survey
 online or in person



Selected improvements: New street trees and decorative concrete sidewalk



Example of street trees

Example of decorative sidewalk with glass aggregate

What we are seeking input on

- Tree placement
- Tree species
- Sidewalk design layout
- Nature-focused sidewalk design theme

How to provide input

- Online survey. Visit <u>SFMTA.com/EnhanceGeary</u>
- Call us at 415.646.2300 (during business hours, M-F 9am-5pm)



Tree placement options



All locations must meet accessibility and utility clearance requirements, and would try to minimize any visual impedance of storefront signage. Outreach will be done to adjacent properties.



Tree species options - medians

Coast Live Oak



Canary Island Pine



Monterey Cyprus









Tree species options - sidewalks

Hollyleaf Cherry



California Buckeye





California Bay Laurel

Primrose



Tree species – additional information

Species	Deciduous (D)/ Evergreen (E)	Approx. Height	California Native
Median Options			
Coast Live Oak	E	40'	
Canary Island Pine	E	50′	
Monterey Cypress	E	50′	\checkmark
Sidewalk Options			
Hollyleaf Cherry	E	20′	\checkmark
California Buckeye	D	20′	\checkmark
California Bay Laurel	E	35′	\checkmark
Primrose Tree	E	25′	



Decorative sidewalk – layout options



Blue areas indicate possible locations for decorative sidewalk treatment





Decorate sidewalk design – nature theme options

Possible Themes

- Sand dunes and ocean waves
- Golden Gate Park and greenery
- Golden Gate Bridge and fog
- Lands End and Seal Rock
- Native flora and fauna

One Theme vs. Two

- Outbound/inbound separate themes (e.g. outbound=ocean and inbound=nature)
- All bus stops have the same theme



Next steps

- Survey open through September
- Team will review all feedback and use to finalize tree species/placement and sidewalk designs
- Implementation with rest of project improvements by end of 2027



Thank you! Questions and discussion

- If you have a question or comment, please use the "raise hand" feature (in App) or Dialing *9 (on phone) and wait to be called on.
- **First:** questions/comments about Community Enhancement
- Then, as time allows: questions/comments about other elements of Geary Boulevard Improvement Project
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