

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 241119-130

WHEREAS, The Hayes Valley Merchants Council (HVMC) and Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association (HVNA) have operated a recurring three day per week closure of Hayes Street between Gough and Octavia streets from August 2020 to October 2023 under the pandemic era and permanent Roadway Shared Spaces programs; and,

WHEREAS, In response to challenges observed by staff resulting from the three day per week closure, staff recommended at the October 17, 2023 SFMTA Board of Directors meeting that the permit duration be reduced to one day per week, to include only Saturdays from 1 pm to 10 pm; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors, on November 7, 2023, voted to approve an amended staff recommendation to include both a Friday closure from 4 pm to 10 pm and a Saturday closure from 1 pm to 10 pm; and,

WHEREAS, HVMC and HVNA have operated a recurring two day per week closure of Hayes Street between Gough and Octavia streets from October 2023 to October 2024 under the Roadway Shared Spaces program; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency has received an application for a Roadway Shared Spaces street closure from the HVNA to close Hayes Street between Gough and Octavia streets Fridays from 4 pm to 10 pm, Saturdays from 10 am to 10 pm, and Sundays from 10 am to 8 pm from Friday, November 22, 2024, through Saturday, November 22, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, Staff recommend the SFMTA Board of Directors approve Item A as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH – SHARED SPACES ROAD CLOSURE – Hayes Street between Gough and Octavia streets, Friday, November 22, 2024, through Saturday, November 22, 2025, 4 pm to 10 pm each Friday, 10 am to 10 pm each Saturday; and,

WHEREAS, The subject portion of the above listed streets are no longer needed for vehicular traffic during the proposed closure hours and the street closures are necessary for the safety and protection of the public who will use those portions of the streets during the closures; and,

WHEREAS, A core focus of the Shared Spaces program is supporting San Francisco's economic recovery and Hayes merchants are mixed in how this block closure supports that goal,

the SFMTA requests market (retail vendor) events be limited each year and coordinated with merchants and the Hayes Valley Merchants Council; and,

WHEREAS, On September 17, 2010, the San Francisco Planning Department published the Better Streets Plan Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (Better Streets Plan FMND, Case No. 2007.1238E), and under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the Administrative Code—the San Francisco Planning Commission adopted CEQA Findings, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) on October 28, 2010 under Motion 18211; and,

WHEREAS, On April 19, 2021, the San Francisco Planning Department determined that the Shared Spaces Program (Case No. 2021-003010ENV), inclusive of Item A, is within the scope of the Better Streets Plan FMND and that it would not require the preparation of a subsequent negative declaration under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors has reviewed the Better Streets Plan Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (FMND) and Addendum and finds that since adoption of the FMND, no changes have occurred in the proposed project or in the circumstances under which the project would be implemented that would cause new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of impacts identified and analyzed in the FMND, and that no new information has emerged that would materially change the analysis or conclusions set forth in the FMND; The actions approved herein would not necessitate implementation or additional or considerably different mitigation measures that those identified in the FMND; and,

WHEREAS, Copies of the CEQA determinations are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department by Case Number at <https://sfplanninggis.org/pim/> or 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400 in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed modifications and has been given the opportunity to comment on those modifications through the public hearing process; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors adopts these CEQA findings as its own; a copy of the Planning Commission Resolution, the CEQA findings, and the CEQA determinations are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at <https://sfplanning.org/> and 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400 in San Francisco, and is incorporated herein by reference; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves Item A above, and finds that the subject portion of the above listed street is no longer needed for vehicular traffic during the proposed closure hours and the street closure is necessary for the safety and protection of the public who will use that portion of the street during the closure.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of November 19, 2024.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency