SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 191119-142

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency has proposed traffic and parking modifications along Page, Haight, and Webster streets as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH RIGHT OR LEFT TURNS ONLY, EXCEPT BICYCLES Page Street, eastbound, at Webster Street
- B. ESTABLISH RIGHT TURN ONLY, EXCEPT BICYCLES Page Street, westbound, at Octavia Boulevard
- C. ESTABLISH NO LEFT TURN Webster Street, southbound, at Haight Street
- D. ESTABLISH ONE-WAY STREET, EXCEPT BICYCLES Page Street, westbound, from Octavia Boulevard to Laguna Street
- E. RESCIND CLASS II BIKEWAY (BIKE LANE) Page Street, eastbound, from Buchanan Street to Octavia Boulevard
- F. ESTABLISH CLASS II BIKEWAY (BIKE LANE) Page Street, westbound, from Octavia Boulevard to Webster Street
- G. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANY TIME Page Street, south side, between Laguna Street and Octavia Boulevard
- H. ESTABLISH CLASS IV BIKEWAY (PROTECTED BIKEWAY) Page Street, eastbound, from Laguna Street to Octavia Boulevard
- I. ESTABLISH CLASS III BIKEWAY (SHARED LANE) Page Street, eastbound, from Buchanan Street to Laguna Street
- J. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING, MONDAY TO FRIDAY, 7 AM 10 AM AND 3 PM - 6 PM - Haight Street, south side, from 154 feet west of Buchanan Street to Webster Street
- K. RESCIND 2-HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 9 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA S PERMITS - Haight Street, south side, from 154 feet west of Buchanan Street to Webster Street
- L. ESTABLISH 2-HOUR PARKING, 10 AM TO 3 PM AND 6 PM TO 9 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA S PERMITS Haight Street, south side, from 154 feet west of Buchanan Street to Webster Street; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed parking and traffic modifications will start on approximately February 1, 2020 and end on May 1, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency is committed to implementing bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements on Page Street; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency is committed to making San Francisco a Transit First city that prioritizes non-private automobile transportation; and,

WHEREAS, Page Street experiences very high bicycle volumes, often exceeding the number of vehicles on the street in the morning commute; and,

WHEREAS, Page Street continues to see elevated numbers of injury traffic collisions, including a high concentration of collisions involving people bicycling and walking; and,

WHEREAS, The Page Street Bikeway Improvements Pilot Project aims to improve traffic safety for people bicycling and walking on Page Street, including students of John Muir Elementary School; and,

WHEREAS, Haight Street is an important transit corridor with over 20,000 daily riders in addition to important commercial and residential uses in the Lower Haight and Hayes Valley neighborhoods; and,

WHEREAS, Prohibiting entry onto Page Street at select locations between Webster Street and Octavia Boulevard would provide for the health and safety of citizens due to the high number of vulnerable roadway users, including people bicycling to and from downtown as well as students attending John Muir Elementary School, and the corridor's history of collisions involving these users; and,

WHEREAS, The Planning Department has determined that prohibiting entry onto Page Street at select locations between Webster Street and Octavia Boulevard would help to implement Objective 15 and Objective 18 of the City's General Plan's Transportation Element pursuant to California Vehicle Code section 21101(f) in order to allow the right-of-way to be allocated for other users of the street, thereby improving safety, prioritizing sustainable transportation modes, enhancing neighborhood livability, and supporting adjacent land uses; and,

WHEREAS, Section 891 of the Streets and Highways Code provides that agencies responsible for the development or operation of bikeways or roadways where bicycle travel is permitted may utilize minimum safety design criteria other than those established by Section 890.6 if the following conditions are met: the alternative criteria are reviewed and approved by a qualified engineer, the alternative criteria is adopted by resolution at a public meeting after public comment and proper notice, and the alternative criteria adheres to the guidelines established by a national association of public agency transportation officials; and,

WHEREAS, The protected bikeway proposed as part of the project meets these three requirements; and,

WHEREAS, The alternative criteria for the project are to discourage motor vehicles from encroaching or double parking in the bicycle facility, provide a more inviting facility and greater sense of comfort for bicyclists, and to provide a greater perception of safety for bicyclists; and,

WHEREAS, The project's alternative criteria adhere to guidelines set by the National Association of City Transportation Officials; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed Page Street Bikeway Improvements Pilot Project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and CEQA provides a Class 6 categorical exemption for information collection including basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities; and,

WHEREAS, On October 31, 2019, the Planning Department determined that the proposed Page Street Bikeway Improvements Pilot Project is categorically exempt from CEQA,

pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15306; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and is 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; and,

WHEREAS, Final SFMTA decisions, whether made by the City Traffic Engineer or the SFMTA Board, can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Ordinance 127-18; however, only Items I through L listed above are subject to the Board of Supervisors review because all other parking modifications are directly related to the installation of Class II and Class IV bicycle facilities; and,

WHEREAS, At its November 19, 2019 meeting, the SFMTA Board of Directors amended this resolution to limit the duration of the pilot project to 12 months, from February 1, 2020 to January 31, 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors concurs with the Planning Department's determination that prohibiting entry onto Page Street at select locations between Webster Street and Octavia Boulevard would help to implement Objective 15 and Objective 18 of the City's General Plan's Transportation Element pursuant to California Vehicle Code section 21101(f) in order to allow the right-of-way to be allocated for other users of the street, thereby improving safety, prioritizing sustainable transportation modes, enhancing neighborhood livability, and supporting adjacent land uses; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves a 12-month Page Street Bikeway Improvement pilot project, starting approximately February 1, 2020 and ending on January 31, 2021, which includes implementing turn restrictions on and adjacent to Page Street at Webster and Octavia streets, converting Page Street between Octavia Boulevard and Laguna Street to one-way westbound except for bicycles, establishing Class II, Class III and Class IV bicycle facilities on Page Street, adding a peak period right-turn only except Muni lane on Haight Street for one block; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors approves related parking and traffic modifications to improve safety and livability as set forth in Items A through L above.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting on November 19, 2019.

R.Boomer

Secretary to the Board of Directors San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency