

## **Park Presidio and Lombard** Temporary Emergency HOV Lanes

SFMTA Board of Directors

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## **Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes**





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## **Proposed HOV Lanes Locations**



## **Traffic Is Coming Back**

Avg MPH, PM peak period



Source: SFCTA COVID-Era Congestion Tracker



## **Transit Travel Time Savings During COVID**



Post-COVID, PM speeds on the 28 SB on Park Presidio increased from 12.4 to 19.3 mph



## **Project Design**

- Each street is three lanes each way
- Lane closest to curb would be converted to HOV/right turn
- No changes to other two lanes
- No parking removal

## **Analysis and Evaluation**

- COVID-era analysis found that 1/3 of traffic (34%) was already HOV-2, so little initial effect on traffic
- However, transit customers and carpoolers protected from future growth in drive-alone trips
- Closely monitor traffic volumes along the project corridor and adjust as-needed
- Close coordination w/Caltrans on design and approval





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### EXISTING



## PROPOSED

(view to west)





# Presidio Park



(view to south)









# Bypass Park Presidio

**EXISTING** 



\* Dimensions determined through Pictometry

(view to south)







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#### EXISTING



\* Lanes widen to 11' further south

### PROPOSED

## (view to south)

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# **Outreach/Engagement**

- Website with narrated presentation
- Briefings offered to community stakeholders
- 4,000 e-mails, social media postings, posters
- Survey seeking input on evaluation



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we of the project, and give your input on which metrics we a use to evaluate this proposed project by filling out this

#### Project Introduction with other key local ions across the city that serve Muni router, the SEMTA is

ents on portions of Muni's 28 19th Avenue, including stall temporary emergency transit improv ong Lombard Street, Richardson Avenue, Park Presidio Boulevard, Park Presidio Bypass, and Cros ways, we have an opportunity for the lanes to also fund high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, which would also allow private vehicles with two or more nts to use them along with transit at all times of the day. As traffic congestion returns and the HOV lanes would allow Muni and regional transit vehicles to move more q to without getting stuck in traffic. This means that Muni can provide more frequent servi the 28 19th Avenue and greater capacity with the same number of vehicles

of the people riding transit before the health crisis begin driving alone, traff n will be so severe that it could paralyze the city's economic recovery. Without action, tr San Franciscans will bear the costs of traffic congestion with longer travel times leading to ed risk of exposure to COVID-19 on slower, more crowded buses.

Providing service improvements to customers on Muni routes that serve neighborhoods with high percentages of people of color and low-income households is a top priority.

#### Bus Routes and Rail Line 28 19th Avenue (Shortened

#### Park Presidio Lombard Temporary HOV Lane

rt San Francisco's COVID-19 response and ec nd reliability of Muni service by reducing running time, the SFMTA proposes to install HOV lanes that with two or more occupants along sections of State Route 1 and U.S. Highway 101. Or er Drive. Park Presidio Bypass, and Park Presidio Boulevard from Lincoln Way to Lake Street, th sed project would install one HOV lane in each direction, utilizion the existing curb lane with no proposed changes to traffic and no changes to parking. Similar eet and Richardson Avenue from Van Ness Avenue to Lyon Street. Travel time savings were see iong the entirety of Muni's 28 19th Avenue route within San Francisco compared to pre-COVID-19 luring the early days of the city's Shelter in Place order in March 2020. Crossover E sidio Bypass and Park Presidio Boulevard from Lincoln Way to Lake Street were identified for n of HOV lanes based on an assessment of technical feasibility and timing with other pla projects. If the initial HOV lanes prove successful, add and 19th Avenue may be considered for future expansion of HOV lanes on the 28 19th Avenue route

elsewhere in the city, these HOV lanes would allow vehicles with ty ncourage carpooling. This also recognizes the important role these streets play in the al roadway network, and ensures that they still maintain enough capacity to keep traffic movi

laborating with Caltrans to review the feasibility, design and dev revements. The SEMTA is also coordination closely with the San Francisco County tion Authority and has consulted with the Metropolitan Tra te Bridge, Highway and Transportation



The temporary project will be considered by the SFMTA Board of Directors in spring 2021. Pendin approval, installation would follow soon after

ignage, making it easily reversible if necessary. The temporary emergency HOV lanes will automatical

he proposed temporary emergency HOV lanes would be striped with white paint, HOV stenciling and

make the temporary emergency HOV lanes permanent.





## **Evaluation**

- Community input will shape the evaluation framework, tools and monitoring, with a focus on equity, health, economic recovery and transportation benefits
- Public engagement and evaluation will guide whether and what longer-term improvements are pursued



# **Today's Legislation**

- Establish High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes (allowing right turns) on:
  - Lombard/Richardson
  - Veterans Blvd/Park Presidio/ Park Presidio Bypass/Crossover Drive



# **Next Steps**

- Final Caltrans approvals
- April/May: Restriping of Lombard and Richardson, as part of already-planned Caltrans repaving project
- TBD depending on shops availability: Restriping Veterans Blvd, Park Presidio, Park Presidio
  Bypass and Crossover Drive

