K Ingleside Rapid Project



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Ocean Avenue Mobility Action Plan

"When I convened the Ocean Avenue Mobility Action Plan with the SFCTA, we engaged merchant, school and neighborhood communities, starting in 2021. Through that robust outreach, the K Ingleside Rapid Project emerged as a critical project.

The K Ingleside Rapid Project will improve the train's speed, reliability and capacity – and make Ocean Avenue safer for everyone. I've asked the SFMTA to work on it, and I'm excited for it to deliver transit that better connects us to Ocean Avenue and across the city."

– District 7 Supervisor Myrna Melgar

- SFCTA-convened task force developed recommended transit, walking, bicycling and safety transportation improvements for Ocean Avenue and surrounding neighborhood
- SFMTA staff provided technical input on proposal development and outreach support by attending task force meetings
- Task Force endorsed Ocean Avenue Muni Forward improvements ("K Ingleside Rapid Project") – now conducting public outreach on this project



Project Goals

- Increase train capacity to support neighborhood growth
- Reduce travel time and increase reliability for riders
- Improve safety and comfort of boarding areas
- Improve traffic safety on the corridor for everyone





Proposed Improvements



Accessible Stop

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Proposed improvements

Existing Conditions



Traffic congestion delays transit

Low capacity and transit delays from single-car trains



Trains stop frequently at red lights



Safety concerns for people walking

Closely spaced transit stops



Install transit lanes

Extend and upgrade platforms

Retime and upgrade traffic signals

Install pedestrian bulbs (corner sidewalk extensions)

Remove some closely spaced stops



- Improves transit travel time and reliability
- · Helps slow traffic on wide streets while keeping Muni moving
- · General traffic can still enter transit lanes to make left turns

Tradeoffs

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 May increase mixed traffic travel times somewhat



- Benefits
- Adds capacity and comfort for riders Easier and safer boarding for seniors and people with disabilities
- Reduced travel time since the second car won't need to be cleared at West Portal
- Tradeoffs
- where platforms must be extended



Benefits

- · Enables "transit signal priority" at intersections to hold green lights for trains
- · Reduces conflicts between trains and people walking and driving

Tradeoffs

· Potentially longer wait for drivers and people walking at cross streets



Benefits

 Increases the visibility of people waiting to cross the street and shortens crossing distances

- Slows down turning vehicles
- Adds accessible curb ramps
- · Provides opportunity to upgrade crosswalks

Tradeoffs

 Requires space equivalent to about 1-2 parking spaces at each corner



- Provides faster, more predictable train travel time
- Creates curb space for other street uses

Tradeoffs

- · Longer walking distance for some customers
- Benefits

- Requires parking removal at some stops

Rapid K Project: Outreach

- Spring 2023: Pop-up events at stops and library, door-to-door merchant outreach
 - Transitional outreach between OAMAP and in-depth outreach of full project proposal
 - Loading survey for businesses to inform project loading plan
 - Chinese & Spanish interpretation
- Summer 2023: Virtual open house at Ingleside Branch Library, pop-up events, community meetings
 - Multi-lingual community survey of riders and residents





Next Steps/Timeline

PROJECT TIMELINE (subject to change)



- Fall 2023: Finalize outreach and proposal
- Winter 2024: Hold public hearing and seek MTAB approval
- Spring 2024: Implement quick-build elements
- 2024-2026: Detailed design of permanent improvements
- 2026-2027: Begin construction of permanent improvements



Thank You

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