# SFMTA - TASC SUMMARY SHEET

PreStaff_Date: 4/1/2025	Public Hearing Co	onsent No objections:								
Requested_by: SFPW-BSM	<b>Public Hearing Re</b>	gular Item Held:								
Handled: Edward Tang, 646-2064	Informational / Otl	her Other:								
Section Head : BAN // PH - Consent										
Location: Connecticut Street between Cesar Chavez and 26th Street										
Subject: Parallel Parking										
PROPOSAL / REQUEST: RESCIND – PERPENDICULAR PARKING ESTABLISH – PARALLEL PARKING Connecticut Street, west side, from 129 feet to 165 feet south of 26th Street (Supervisor District 10)										
Proposal to convert perpendicular parking to parallel parking due to sidewalk construction at 1920 Cesar Chavez.										
This item was previously heard at the May 2, 2025 Engineering Public Hearing and has been revised to shorten the length of the perpendicular to parallel parking conversion due to opposition at that hearing. SFFD concurred with the shorter length, and this proposal is being brought back to the June 6, 2025 Engineering Public Hearing.										
Edward Tang, edward.tang@sfmta.com										
<b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION / COMMENTS</b> As part of the 1920 Cesar Chavez Street project, the asphalt pedestrian path on Connecticut Street between Cesar Chavez and 26th Street was improved to a concrete sidewalk with widths ranging from 10 to 20 feet. Prior to sidewalk construction, vehicles were informally parking at 90 degrees on top of the asphalt. The proposal includes converting perpendicular parking to parallel in order to provide enough clear roadway width for emergency response vehicles.										
19 Polk Muni route runs on Connecticut Street.										
HEARING NOTIFICATION AND PRO		NVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE BY:								

# Tang, Edward

From:	Woo, Bryant
Sent:	Thursday, May 8, 2025 5:19 PM
То:	Lam, Alvin; Olea, Ricardo; Tang, Edward
Cc:	Tsui, Eddie; Wong, Norman
Subject:	RE: Results of the 5/2 Public Hearing

Road narrows midblock, hence the transition from perpendicular to parallel somewhere in that transition. The original proposal was make the transition at a driveway, but that would've resulted in ever greater parking loss.

I've advised my team to include a 3' RZ as a buffer from parallel to perpendicular.

Bryant

From: Lam, Alvin <Alvin.Lam@sfmta.com>
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To: Olea, Ricardo <Ricardo.Olea@sfmta.com>; Tang, Edward <Edward.Tang@sfmta.com>
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Subject: RE: Results of the 5/2 Public Hearing

Yes and we've seen it particularly on Harrison btwn 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, but that was also related to repaving / restoration.

Alvin

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Subject: RE: Results of the 5/2 Public Hearing

As we've been discussed on the side with Alvin, we can have enforcement problems with locations that have a wide mix of parallel and perpendicular parking next to each other. How does this work specifically? It is hard to park parallel next to a perpendicularly parked car. Is there a buffer in the middle? Do we need to mark stalls?

I'm not understanding what problem we are solving for but given we are making significant modifications based on non trivial opposition maybe it should go back to hearing with a note "Item will be brought back to a future PH with a modification in the proposal."



From: Tang, Edward <<u>Edward.Tang@sfmta.com</u>>
Sent: Thursday, May 8, 2025 9:26 AM
To: Olea, Ricardo <<u>Ricardo.Olea@sfmta.com</u>>
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Subject: RE: Results of the 5/2 Public Hearing

Hi Ricardo,

After further internal discussion and coordination with SFFD, our recommendation for item #8 is to reduce the proposed perpendicular to parallel parking conversion length by 30 feet. This proposal would retain additional parking capacity (net loss of approx. 2 spaces instead of 4) for the street and is acceptable to SFFD per the attached email.

If we need to submit a corrected packet or other documentation, please let me know.

### Old Proposal:

RESCIND – PERPENDICULAR PARKING ESTABLISH – PARALLEL PARKING Connecticut Street, west side, from 129 feet to 195 feet south of 26th Street

### New Proposal:

RESCIND – PERPENDICULAR PARKING ESTABLISH – PARALLEL PARKING Connecticut Street, west side, from 129 feet to 165 feet south of 26th Street

Thanks,

**Edward Tang** Streets Division – Transportation Engineering



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From: Tsui, Eddie <<u>Eddie.Tsui@sfmta.com</u>>
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Subject: Results of the 5/2 Public Hearing

Please find attached the draft directive showing the tentative results of our 5/2 public hearing. If interested, public comment emails can be found <u>here</u> and the Teams recording <u>here</u>.

Item #8, converting perpendicular parking to parallel parking on Connecticut north of Cesar Chavez, was the most controversial in writing. We received 7 emails in opposition citing loss of parking and Barry Taranto spoke during the hearing with similar concerns. No email or testimony in support. However, since this item was proposed to satisfy SFFD requirements, I still put "Approved by CTE to forward to MTAB for final approval" as the tentative decision, but I defer to Edward and team to provide Ricardo with the final recommendation.

If anyone would like to make any changes, please let me know by noon Thursday so that we can post the results on our website by Friday's deadline.

Thanks,

Eddie

# Tang, Edward

From:O'Keeffe, Tracy (FIR) <tracy.okeeffe@sfgov.org>Sent:Wednesday, May 7, 2025 11:40 AMTo:Tang, Edward; Flores, Ramon (FIR)Subject:Re: 1920 Cesar Chavez (Connecticut Parking)

Edward,

Captain Flores and I have completed our site visit at Connecticut Street and Cesar Chavez.

We have NO OBJECTIONS to the 3 north most parking spots remaining parallel.

We would like to reserve the right to revisit this design in the future should the overhead wires be converted to underground.

Thank you.

Captain Tracy O'Keeffe Bureau of Fire Prevention SFFD Headquarters 698 Second St. San Francisco, CA 94107 (415) 558-3379 tracy.o'keeffe@sfgov.org

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From: Tang, Edward <Edward.Tang@sfmta.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 2:33 PM
To: Flores, Ramon (FIR) <ramon.flores@sfgov.org>; O'Keeffe, Tracy (FIR) <tracy.okeeffe@sfgov.org>
Subject: 1920 Cesar Chavez (Connecticut Parking)

Hi Captain Flores, Captain O'Keeffe -

Thank you for meeting at office hours today. Can you please refer to the attached TASC packet and screenshot below during your drive-by to Connecticut Street this week? We are asking if we can leave the three 90-degree parking spaces in between the 51' and 58' red line measurements and converting everything north of that to parallel parking due to concerns from the community about parking loss.



Thanks,

**Edward Tang** Streets Division – Transportation Engineering



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# 1920 Cesar Chavez Project

The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) proposes to convert perpendicular parking to parallel parking on the west side of Connecticut Street (129 to 195 feet south of 26th Street) in the vicinity of 1920 Cesar Chavez Street (Attachments 1 and 2). The change in parking would provide the minimum roadway width necessary for San Francisco Fire Department emergency response vehicles on Connecticut Street. The project also includes legislation to reflect widening of the adjacent sidewalk on Connecticut Street, from 10 feet to 20 feet (Attachments 2 and 3).

Conversion of perpendicular parking to parallel parking would be conducted by SFMTA Field Operations (Sign Shop) by installing "PARK AT 90 DEGREES" signs along the curb where the sidewalk has not been widened. Sidewalk repair and widening has already been installed as part of a Notice to Repair (NTR) issued by San Francisco Public Works to the adjacent business owner. However, the change to the official sidewalk width must be legislated to reflect the new width. Installation of parking signs would include excavation up to 18 inches in depth.

Approval Action: SFMTA Board Approval

Categorically Exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c). No exceptions per CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2.

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Jenny Delumo Jenny Delumo, Environmental Review Team San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

Date

# Attachment 1



Proposed changes for parking conversion from perpendicular to parallel on Connecticut Street



Muni Network Map



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Connecticut Street post sidewalk construction



Good afternoon,

Thank you for bringing this to my attention. No, the parking in the red bubble would need to be converted.

Thank you,

#### **Captain Ramon Flores**

San Francisco Fire Department Bureau of Fire Prevention & Investigation 698 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Room 109 San Francisco, CA 94107 415-558-3375 (direct) 415-558-3300 (main)

From: Do, Shannon (DPW) <shannon.do@sfdpw.org>
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 11:01 AM
To: Flores, Ramon (FIR) <ramon.flores@sfgov.org>
Cc: Tang, Eleanor (DPW) <eleanor.tang@sfdpw.org>; Chong, Victoria (MTA) <Victoria.Chong@sfmta.com>
Subject: 1920 Cesar Chavez St | SF FIRE Referral

Hello Ramon,

Please find attached for your review, sidewalk plans for 1920 Cesar Chavez St. The scope of work is to reconstruct the sidewalk due to an NTR for damaged metal curb and sidewalk.

During BSM's review, a referral was sent to SFMTA who then requested confirmation from SF Fire to review the minimum roadway width. Please see Victoria's comment below regarding the concern of the roadway width at the pinch point. Please let us know your thoughts.

Respectfully,

Shannon Do, E.I.T. Junior Engineer Bureau of Street Use & Mapping | San Francisco Public Works | City and County of San Francisco 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 300 | SF, CA 94103 | Out of Office 7/15/2023 – 8/10/2023

 From: Chong, Victoria <<u>Victoria.Chong@sfmta.com</u>>

 Sent: Thursday, August 3, 2023 4:44 PM

 To: Tang, Eleanor (DPW) <<u>eleanor.tang@sfdpw.org</u>>

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 <<u>Norman.Wong@sfmta.com</u>>

 Subject: RE: "Side" Meeting to Discuss Major Encroachment or other projects

Hi Eleanor, Hi Shannon –

Thanks for your patience. Please see below for the SFMTA's comments regarding 1920 Cesar Chavez.

• Connecticut Street: Please confirm that SF Fire has reviewed these plans and approve of the minimum roadway width in the red area below, where the sidewalk widens. If cars continue to park 90-degrees in the red area, this would result in vehicles protruding more into the roadway than existing conditions. If they need more clear width, we will need to legislate the parking to be converted from 90 degrees to parallel. Note: the 90-degree parking, south of this section, will work fine since the roadway is wider from the 10.45' dimension to Cesar Chavez.



Please let us know if you have any questions. Many thanks for your help.

-Victoria Victoria Chong (she/her) Transportation Planner Development & Transportation Integration | Streets Division Office: 415.646.2706



From: Tang, Eleanor (DPW) <<u>eleanor.tang@sfdpw.org</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, August 1, 2023 11:52 AM
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Norman,

Thank you for the update.

Eleanor



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