

5th Street Improvement Project

SFMTA Board of Directors Meeting September 17, 2019

5th Street Goals and Timeline

Project Goals

- Improve safety for all roadway users
- Bridge a major north-south gap in the city's bicycle network
- Address the future transportation demands of the SOMA neighborhood
- Make 5th Street a more inviting street for all users

Timeline

Fall 2017- Spring 2019 Extensive Public Outreach

Fall 2018- Summer 2019 Design

Fall 2019- Winter 2020 Construction







Why now?

Safety is a critical issue on 5th Street, especially for the most vulnerable users of the road. The SFMTA is committed to pedestrian and bicycle improvements.

Central SoMa growth and **new development** will bring new roadway users to 5th Street.

Muni routes **have moved to 4th Street** in correlation with the opening of the Central Subway.





Vision Zero- 5th Street Safety

From 2011 to 2016, there was a total of **351 reported collisions** on 5th Street, including **320 injury collisions**.

This translates to on average one person per week injured while traveling on 5th Street.





5th Street: Development

A major goal of Central SOMA Plan is to support and accommodate transitoriented growth with Complete Streets.

Several major mixed-use developments are planned in the 5th Street project area including:

- 5M Project
- 5th and Howard Development
- Flower Mart
- Tishman Development
- Tennis Club





5th Street: Transit

27 Bryant will stay on 5th Street. The line runs from northbound Folsom St. to Market St. and southbound Market St. to Harrison St.

8, 30, 45 Lines have moved to other streets.

47-Van Ness will run southbound between Bryant and Townsend after Townsend Street changes go into effect in September 2019.



5th Street Outreach Process

From October 2017 to April 2019, the 5th Street Improvement project team conducted comprehensive community outreach to gather input including six major outreach events.







Community Groups

5M Project Development	Partnership	Center	St. Vincent De Paul
Team	District 6	Pinterest	Tenderloin Community
Academy of Arts- 5th and Brannan Campus	Eventbrite	Renaissance Entrepreneur Center	Benefit District
•			Tishman - 5th and Brannan
Alexis Apartments	Fifth and Mission	Resident/City Mews	TODCO
ARUP	Filipino Education Center/	Senior and Disability Action	Trammel Crow Residential-
Bessie Carmichael Middle Bay Area Renters Federation _{School}		-	342-360 5th Street
Bay Club-SF Tennis	Flower Mart	SF Chamber of Commerce	Union Square BID
Bayanihan Community Center		SF Chronicle	United Playaz
	Gene Friend Rec Center	SF Travel	-
Building Owners and Managers Association of San Francisco (BOMA)	HOAs	SFBC	University Pacific School of Dentistry
	Hotel Council of SF Hotel Zetta		
		SFCTA	WalkSF
Central Market CBD	Independent Living Resource Center of San	Network SOMA Pilipinas	Westfield Center
Central Subway CAG			Yerba Buena Alliance
-	Francisco		Yerba Buena Central
Chinatown Community Development Center (TRIPS)Intercontinental Hotel		South of Market Business Association	Business District
Clementina Towers	Moscone Center	SPUR	
Community Housing	Pilipino Senior Resource	5. 61(



What We Heard

The SFMTA conducted a survey in January and February of 2018 and received 328 completed surveys. Overwhelmingly, we heard improving bicycle and pedestrian safety was critical to improving 5th Street.





What We Heard

We asked people to rank improvement priorities. The highest priority among respondents was **protected bicycle lanes**.

The next most popular priorities were:

- Pedestrian safety improvements
- Street trees and greenery
- Better lighting for pedestrians





5th Street Proposed Design

- Roadway conversion from 4 lanes to 3 lanes, generally with 2 southbound lanes.
- 2 lanes in both directions will be maintained near freeway ramps
- Turning lanes at high volume turn locations
- Protected bike lanes for entire corridor
- Relocate all Muni lines with exception of the 27
- Sidewalk widening and landscape improvements at development sites
- Pedestrian improvements at intersections
- Raised crosswalks at Minna Street
- Transit boarding islands



5th Street Proposed Design

Existing Cross Section



Proposed Typical Cross Section





Project Benefits & Impacts

Benefits :

- Protected bike lanes
- Increased pedestrian safety
- Traffic Calming
- Transit boarding islands
- Sidewalk/urban realm improvements at development sites

Impacts:

- Parking loss (but loading is prioritized)
- Impacts to traffic flow during peak hours (minimized by turn lanes and signal timing changes)



Next Steps

- Pre-Construction Outreach: Fall 2019
- Roadway re-striping: Fall 2019
- Concrete work: Winter 2020
- Project Evaluation: Fall 2021
- Long term project including upgrading intersections and concrete buffers: Starting in Fall 2021

Thank you!

