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# SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY

**DIVISION:** Sustainable Streets

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

Retroactively approving parking and traffic modifications to implement parking restrictions, except for City-owned San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) vehicles displaying permits issued by the SFMTA, and relocating general and yellow metered parking, along Eddy Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets and along Jones Street between Eddy and Turk Streets; and amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 801 to implement parking restrictions, except for Cityowned San Francisco Police Department vehicles displaying permits issued by the SFMTA only, along Eddy Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets, and along Jones Street between Eddy and Turk Streets.

#### **SUMMARY:**

- These parking modifications created additional SFPD vehicles-only parking spaces on Eddy and Jones Streets in order to support expedited response from the SFPD Tenderloin Station.
- These modifications also removed two general metered parking spaces, removed one yellow metered parking space, and relocated two yellow metered parking spaces.
- The lead team conducted outreach to the SFPD Tenderloin Station and held a Virtual Engineering Public Hearing on Friday September 18, 2020.
- The SFMTA has determined that the proposed parking and traffic modifications are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- The proposed action is the Approval Action per S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.
- SFMTA staff have determined that items A-D listed below with a "#" are final SFMTA decisions, as defined by Ordinance 127-18, that can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. Information about the review process can be found at http://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/SFMTA\_Action\_Review\_Info\_Sheet.pdf

# **ENCLOSURES:**

- 1. SFMTAB Resolution
- 2. Transportation Code Division II Amendment

APPROVALS:		DATE
DIRECTOR	Jordan Thhi	October 28, 2020
SECRETARY	R. Boomer	October 28, 2020

**ASSIGNED SFMTAB CALENDAR DATE:** November 3, 2020

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#### **PURPOSE**

Retroactively approving parking and traffic modifications, to implement parking restrictions except for City-owned San Francisco Police Department vehicles displaying permits issued by the SFMTA, and relocating general and yellow metered parking, along Eddy Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets and along Jones Street between Eddy and Turk Streets; and amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 801 to implement parking restrictions, except for City-owned San Francisco Police Department vehicles displaying permits issued by the SFMTA only, along Eddy Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets, and along Jones Street between Eddy and Turk Streets.

## STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND TRANSIT FIRST POLICY PRINCIPLES

The item will support the following goals and objectives of the SFMTA Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Create a safer transportation experience for everyone.

Objective 1.2: Improve the safety of the transit system.

Goal 2: Make transit and other sustainable modes of transportation the most attractive and preferred means of travel.

Objective 2.3: Manage congestion and parking demand to support the Transit First Policy

This item will support the following Transit First Policy Principles:

- 1. To ensure quality of life and economic health in San Francisco, the primary objective of the transportation system must be the safe and efficient movement of people and goods.
- 2. Public transit, including taxis and vanpools, is an economically and environmentally sound alternative to transportation by individual automobiles. Within San Francisco, travel by public transit, by bicycle and on foot must be an attractive alternative to travel by private automobile.
- 3. Decisions regarding the use of limited public street and sidewalk space shall encourage the use of public rights of way by pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transit, and shall strive to reduce traffic and improve public health and safety.
- 7. Parking policies for areas well served by public transit shall be designed to encourage travel by public transit and alternative transportation.

## **DESCRIPTION**

The SFPD Tenderloin Station has significantly increased staffing over the last ten years, which has resulted in an insufficient supply of SFPD vehicles-only parking spaces compared to the number of SFPD vehicles assigned to that station. In order to maintain response times and to continue daily SFPD operations safely, SFPD vehicles have parked in additional metered spaces near the station, parked in an angled fashion, and, at times, temporarily parked in nearby Muni bus zones.

The SFPD Tenderloin Station contacted the SFMTA Sustainable Streets Division for assistance in increasing the number of designated SFPD vehicles-only parking spaces for the station and for other improvements that can further support SFPD response times. Separately, Muni operators

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requested that SFMTA Sustainable Streets mitigate issues related to SFPD vehicles parking in bus zones, since such parking prevented SF Muni buses from accessing the Muni stop. According to SFPD Captain Fabbri, SFPD officers were having difficulty exiting the garage on Eddy Street when responding to emergencies due to traffic blockages. Given the gravity of the situation, SFMTA staff implemented the requested modifications prior to seeking SFMTA Board approval.

At this time, SFMTA staff is seeking retroactive approval of parking changes on both Eddy and Jones Streets that facilitated: (1) parking for SFMTA vehicles on-street (rather than in-garage) to improve emergency response times, (2) parking for additional SFPD vehicles to serve SOMA since the relocation of Southern Station to Mission Bay, and (3) a clear area for ambulances and other emergency vehicles to directly access the station's westernmost entrance/exit to avoid double parking along the Muni #31 route. Implementation of the temporary changes also ensured that SF Muni bus zones remain clear, which allows patrons to board and alight onto the sidewalk, allows SF Muni buses to more safely pull into the bus zones, and maintains the attractiveness of Muni as the preferred means of travel.

The SFMTA proposes that the SFMTA Board retroactively approve the following parking and traffic modifications as follows:

- A. RESCIND GENERAL METERED PARKING Jones, west side, from 107 feet to 129 feet south of Eddy # and Eddy, south side, from 212 feet to 234 feet and 278 feet to 322 west of Jones #
- B. RESCIND YELLOW METERED LOADING ZONE, 7AM-6PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY - Eddy, south side, from 170 feet to 212 feet and 234 feet to 258 feet west of Jones #
- C. ESTABLISH YELLOW METERED LOADING ZONE, 7AM-6PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY Eddy, south side, from 278 feet to 322 west of Jones #
- D. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME EXCEPT CITY-OWNED MARKED SFPD VEHICLES Jones, west side, from 107 feet to 129 feet south of Eddy # and Eddy, south side, from 170 feet to 258 feet west of Jones #

Certain 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. Information about the review process can be found at <a href="http://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/SFMTA">http://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/SFMTA</a> Action Review Info Sheet.pdf. SFMTA staff have determined that items A-D, listed with the "#" symbol, are final SFMTA decisions.

## STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Outreach to the SFPD Tenderloin Station was conducted on Thursday, March 12, 2020. SFMTA staff discussed and agreed on the proposed modifications with the Station Captain.

On September 18, 2020, a Virtual Engineering Public Hearing was held to consider the proposed changes. A notice indicating the public hearing date, time, location, and proposed modifications was posted in the area affected by these changes at least one week in advance of the hearing date. No opposition has been received through email or at the hearing.

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## **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

**Expansion of Additional Police Parking:** Additional general and yellow metered parking spots along Eddy and Jones Streets were considered for conversion to SFPD vehicles-only parking. However, SFPD Tenderloin Station agreed that additional parking spaces were necessary at this time.

**No-Build Alternative**: Not implementing these changes would result in insufficient SFPD vehiclesonly parking spaces near the SFPD Tenderloin Station.

# **FUNDING IMPACT**

The net loss of two general metered parking spaces and one yellow metered parking space is expected to result in minimal impact to overall meter revenues.

The temporary changes were implemented using SFMTA operating funds.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposed traffic and parking modifications are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301 provides an exemption from environmental review for operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities.

The SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, has determined that the proposed parking and traffic modifications in Case No. 2020-008302ENV are categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301.

The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31.

Copies of the CEQA determinations may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 49 South Van Ness in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference.

## OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED

The City Attorney's Office has reviewed this calendar item.

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors retroactively approve Items A though D above and amend the Transportation Code, Division II, Section 801 to implement parking restrictions on Eddy Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets and along Jones Street between Eddy and Turk Streets.

# SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No.	

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has received a request from the San Francisco Police Department Tenderloin Station to establish additional parking restricted to City-owned San Francisco Police Department vehicles displaying a permit issued by the SFMTA.; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Police Department Tenderloin Station requires additional designated San Francisco Police Department parking spaces due to increased staffing; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency proposes various parking and traffic modifications as follows:

- A. RESCIND GENERAL METERED PARKING Jones, west side, from 107 feet to 129 feet south of Eddy and Eddy, south side, from 212 feet to 234 feet and 278 feet to 322 west of Jones
- B. RESCIND YELLOW METERED LOADING ZONE, 7AM-6PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY - Eddy, south side, from 170 feet to 212 feet and 234 feet to 258 feet west of Jones
- C. ESTABLISH YELLOW METERED LOADING ZONE, 7AM-6PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY Eddy, south side, from 278 feet to 322 west of Jones
- D. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME EXCEPT CITY-OWNED MARKED SFPD VEHICLES Jones, west side, from 107 feet to 129 feet south of Eddy # and Eddy, south side, from 170 feet to 258 feet west of Jones; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, Sustainable Streets Division staff performed outreach with San Francisco Police Department Tenderloin Station and agreed on the proposed modifications; and,

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed modifications and has been given the opportunity to comment on those modifications through the public hearing process; and,

WHEREAS, There is minimal funding impact to the City; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed traffic and parking modifications are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301 provides an exemption from environmental review for operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, has determined that the proposed parking and traffic modifications in Case No. 2020-008302ENV are categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31; and,

WHEREAS, Copies of the CEQA determinations are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 49 South Van Ness in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, Certain 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, and SFMTA staff have determined that items A-D are such final SFMTA decisions; and, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors retroactively approves parking and traffic modifications, as set forth in Items A through D above, to implement parking restrictions, except for City-owned San Francisco Police Department vehicles displaying permits issued by the SFMTA, and relocating general and yellow metered parking, along Eddy Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets and along Jones Street between Eddy and Turk Streets; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors amends the Transportation Code, Division II, Section 801 to implement parking restrictions, except for City-owned San Francisco Police Department vehicles displaying permits issued by the SFMTA only, along Eddy Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets, and along Jones Street between Eddy and Turk Streets.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

# **RESOLUTION**

[Transportation Code – SFPD Tenderloin Station]

Resolution amending the Transportation Code regarding parking restrictions on Eddy and Jones Streets.

NOTE: Additions are <u>single-underline Times New Roman</u>; deletions are <u>strike-through Times New Roman</u>.

The Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors of the City and County of San Francisco enacts the following regulations:

Section 1. Article 800 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by revising Section 801, to read as follows:

#### SEC. 801. PARKING RESTRICTIONS BY LOCATION

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## (c) Restricted Locations:

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(14) Eddy Street and Jones Street.

## (A) Location:

(i) Eddy Street, south side, from Jones Street to 185258 feet westerly

(<del>185</del>258-foot zone);

(ii) Eddy Street, north side, from 37 feet to 139 feet west of Jones Street (102-

foot zone);

(iii) Eddy Street, north side, from 165 feet to 253 feet west of Jones

Street (88-foot zone);

(iv) Eddy Street, north side, from 28 feet to 136 feet east of Jones

Street (108-foot zone);

(v) Jones Street, west side, from 24 feet to 107129 feet south of Eddy

Street (83105-foot zone).;

(vi) Jones Street, west side, from 5 feet to 84 feet north of Eddy Street

(79-foot zone);

(vii) Jones Street, east side, from 31 feet to 115 feet north of Eddy

Street (84-foot zone); and

(viii) Jones Street, east side, from 21 feet to 79 feet south of Eddy

Street (58-foot zone).

(B) **Time**: All times.

(C) **Exempt Vehicles**: City-owned San Francisco Police Department vehicles display—ing a permit issued by the SFMTA.

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Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 31 days after

enactment. Enactment occurs when the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

Board of Directors approves this ordinance.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the San Francisco

Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors intends to amend only those words,

phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, letters, punctuation marks,

charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Transportation Code that are explicitly

shown in this ordinance as additions or deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears

under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:

JOHN I. KENNEDY Deputy City Attorney

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal

Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of November 3, 2020.

Secretary to the Board of Directors

San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency