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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*

## San Franciscans Invited to Learn More about Plans to Improve Roads, Muni & Street Safety

Investment in underfunded infrastructure, new vehicles and street improvements will enhance existing system and address anticipated growth, future transportation demands

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), which oversees all transportation in the city, and San Francisco Public Works (Public Works) today announced a series of community meetings and a new website to keep San Franciscans informed about the city's program to improve roads and public transit and make the streets safer for everyone in neighborhoods citywide.

In May and June, Public Works and the SFMTA will co-host community meetings in each Supervisorial district to discuss the transportation plan. The meetings will be an openhouse format, which includes a presentation and provides time for community members to give feedback and ask questions.

"For too long we have systematically underinvested in our city's transportation infrastructure, and we have an opportunity to invest in our reliable, safe and affordable world-class transportation system for generations to come," said Mayor Edwin M. Lee. "As we strengthen our transportation infrastructure, we also are putting our residents back to work, improving the quality of life for San Franciscans, and building a transportation system to meet the growing needs of our city."

The transportation plan is rooted in the recommendations of the SF 2030 Transportation Task Force, which Mayor Lee convened last year to investigate what San Francisco must do to fix its transportation infrastructure and prepare it for the future. The Task Force found that to meet current need and future demand the city needs to invest \$10 billion in transportation infrastructure through 2030. With \$3.7 billion already identified, that leaves a \$6.3 billion gap.

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"We know that it can be challenging to get around San Francisco. With these funds, we'll invest in improvements that make it faster, safer and easier to get around town – to home, to work, to school and everywhere else you travel," said SFMTA Director of Transportation Edward D. Reiskin.

"We've made great strides improving road conditions since San Franciscans passed the 2011 Road Repaving and Street Safety Bond, and we have an opportunity to continue that progress," said Public Works Director Mohammed Nuru.

The website also launched today includes information about the SF 2030 Transportation Task Force Report, and why it is important to maintaining and enhancing San Francisco's transportation infrastructure now and in the future. San Franciscans are encouraged to attend an upcoming community meeting. A full meeting schedule is listed below, and more information is available at <a href="https://www.sftransportation2030.com">www.sftransportation2030.com</a>.

### Transportation 2030 Community Meetings

Monday, May 12, 5:30-7 p.m. District 5 Open House with Supervisor London Breed African-American Art and Culture Center 762 Fulton Street

Monday, May 19, 6-7:30 p.m. District 11 Open House with Supervisor John Avalos IT Bookman Community Center 446 Randolph Street

Tuesday, May 20, 6-7:30 p.m. District 6 Open House with Supervisor Jane Kim South of Market Recreation Center 270 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Wednesday, May 21, 6-7:30 p.m. District 1 Open House with Supervisor Eric Mar Richmond Recreation Center 251 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Wednesday, May 28, 6:30-8 p.m. District 2 Open House with Supervisor Mark Farrell Calvary Presbyterian Church 2515 Fillmore Street

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Monday, June 2, 6-7:30 p.m. District 10 Open House with Supervisor Malia Cohen Southeast Community Facility, Alex J. Pitcher, Jr. Community Room 1800 Oakdale Avenue

Wednesday, June 4, 5:30-7 p.m. District 8 Open House with Supervisor Scott Wiener LGBT Center 1800 Market Street

Thursday, June 5, 6-7:30 p.m. Districts 4 and 7 Open House with Supervisors Katy Tang and Norman Yee St. Stephen Church Event Center 475 Eucalyptus Drive

Tuesday, June 10, 6:30-8 p.m. District 3 Open House with Supervisor David Chiu Betty Ann Ong Chinese Recreation Center 1199 Mason Street

Thursday, June 12, 6-7:30 p.m. District 9 Open House with Supervisor David Campos The Women's Building 3543 18<sup>th</sup> Street #8

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Established by voter proposition in 1999, the SFMTA, a department of the City and County of San Francisco, oversees the Municipal Railway (Muni), parking and traffic, bicycling, walking and taxis. With five modes of transit, Muni has approximately 700,000 passenger boardings each day. Over 1 million people get around this city each day and rely on the SFMTA to ensure safe and reliable travel by transit, walking, bicycling, taxi and driving.

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