

Page Street Bikeway Improvements

Pilot Project Proposal

Summer/Fall 2019

Background

Page Street is an important corridor for the Hayes Valley / Lower Haight neighborhoods because of its connectivity to John Muir Elementary School, parks and other destinations. It is also a popular east-west bicycle route, where there are often 1.5x more people on bikes than in cars headed downtown in the morning commute. While the SFMTA has made recent changes to improve safety and additional sidewalk changes are planned for 2020, more is needed to address directly the impacts of chronic vehicle congestion.







Vehicles waiting to access Octavia Boulevard regularly back up to John Muir Elementary School, forcing people walking to contend with blocked crosswalks and people bicycling to negotiate around stopped vehicles and mid-block U-turns.

Proposed Pilot Project

Based on engagement and outreach with the community, SFMTA has expanded and finalized a proposal for an **18-month pilot** project that includes circulation changes and bikeway upgrades using temporary materials. Project elements include:

- 1 Reducing car traffic near John Muir Elementary School by prohibiting vehicles from entering eastbound Page Street at Webster Street
- Creating an uphill bike lane and a protected downhill bike lane on Page Street between Laguna and Octavia streets by converting that block to one-way westbound only for vehicles
- **3** Further reducing car traffic and conflicts by restricting left-turns and westbound through-traffic on Page Street at Octavia Street
- 4 Supporting transit on Haight Street by enhancing bus stop access and discouraging traffic from diverting to Haight Street during the day





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What makes this a 'pilot project'?

If approved by the SFMTA Board of Directors, the pilot bikeway and circulation changes would be implemented using temporary materials only (signs, paint and plastic posts) and would remain in place for up to 18 months to allow for data collection, outreach and evaluation. The SFMTA Board of Directors would have to re-approve the project based on the outcome of the pilot to make these or other changes permanent, or else the temporary treatments would be reversed.

What does the SFMTA want to learn from the pilot and how will we measure it?



Safety and comfort on Page Street for people walking and biking, including John Muir Elementary School students, as measured by staff observations and a public perception survey. * *Sign up for project updates to stay in the loop when the survey is open!*



Transit performance on Haight Street, including travel time and Muni lane violations



Neighborhood traffic circulation, documented with 'before' and 'after' traffic counts on adjacent streets and freeway access routes

Pilot Project Timeline

