Vision Zero Quick-Build Project Updates

February 2020



Spotlight: Public Hearings

Public engagement is a key component of the quick-build process. Public hearings and open houses have proven to be popular and effective in collecting input from members of the community along project corridors.

What's New

To streamline the approvals process for individual quick-build projects, SFMTA staff are hosting public hearings in an open house format at locations proximate to the project corridor in lieu of a public meeting at City Hall. Hosting public hearings and open houses near project corridors improves accessibility and encourages more participation.

To make the streamlined public hearing even more accessible and productive, the SFMTA has also begun providing multilingual public hearing officers and print information about the public hearing process.

How We're Doing

Community members who attend on-site public hearings are encouraged to provide their feedback while learning about the project directly from team members, ensuring that the public comment process is not completely siloed and encouraging active discussion.

Since June 2019, the SFMTA has held open house events for four quickbuild projects. The 7th Street Safety Project (Phase 2), 7th Street Safety Project (Phase 3), California Street Safety Project, Howard Street Quick-Build Project, and Valencia Bike Improvements (19th Street to Cesar Chavez) project each received between 30 and 360 comment cards.

Recent Meetings

Valencia Street

Over 400 people attended the Valencia Bikeway Improvements Project Open House and Public Hearing in February to learn about and discuss the proposals for Valencia Street from 19th Street to Cesar Chavez. Community members submitted over 300 public comments and over 100 emails to provide their feedback. The final project proposals will be heard by the SFMTA Board of Directors for potential approval in Spring 2020.











Upcoming Events

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Tuesday, March 10, 2020 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM Caltrain Station at 4th and Townsend

Townsend Street

Construction is almost complete on Townsend Street between 3rd Street and 8th Street. New safety improvements include a protected bike lane, bus boarding islands, and more. At the intersection of 4th Street and Townsend Street, new bicycle signals have been activated to improve the flow of people traveling through the intersection. All are invited to an opening ceremony to celebrate the completion of the project.

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Thursday, March 12, 2020 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM St. James Preschool (4620 California Street)

California Street

Supervisor Fewer and SFMTA staff will share updates and next steps for the California Street Safety Project, which will be completed in spring 2020. Proposed improvements along California Street include daylighting, lane reduction, and signal timing adjustments to improve safety for people of all ages. Based on community feedback, the project team collected additional data to inform evaluation and analysis. Results will be shared at the upcoming community meeting.



Tuesday, March 19, 2020 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Bayview District

Evans Avenue / Hunters Point Boulevard / Innes Avenue

The Bayview Hunters Point Transportation quick-build project team is hosting a walkshop for stakeholders to help shape near-term transportation improvements. The walkshop will include a site walk and collaborative discussions regarding traffic safety along the project corridor to collect feedback on how well the proposed improvements address traffic safety concerns, as well as discuss opportunities for community-building through project implementation.