

## **Section 2: WORKING ON STREETS WITH SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS**

Depending on the work site, there are certain restrictions that will apply. This section identifies streets where work is limited by time of day or day of the week. In some instances contractors may be restricted to working during evenings and weekends.

### **2.1 Streets of Major Traffic Importance (Appendix C and D, Table 1 and Map 1)**

Table 1 in Appendix C lists the City streets on which traffic lanes must be kept clear during certain times of the day, and the restricted hours for each block. No work is allowed during the hours specified in this table.

### **2.2 Restrictions in Certain Areas**

Streets with heavy traffic in the downtown area, streets with transit lines, streets that lead to Oracle Park, and streets containing bicycle routes all have special restrictions. Contractor is responsible for complying with these restrictions.

#### **2.2.1 Area of Important Streets – Downtown (Appendix D, Map 1A)**

No construction activity is allowed within the bounded area from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday. This does not include alleys, where work is allowed.

#### **2.2.2 Restrictions for Moscone Convention Center Events (Appendix D, Map 2)**

The streets around Moscone Convention Center are subject to restricted construction hours during major events at the Center. No construction activity is allowed one hour before to one hour after these events.

#### **2.2.3 Ball Park Restrictions (Appendix D, Map 3)**

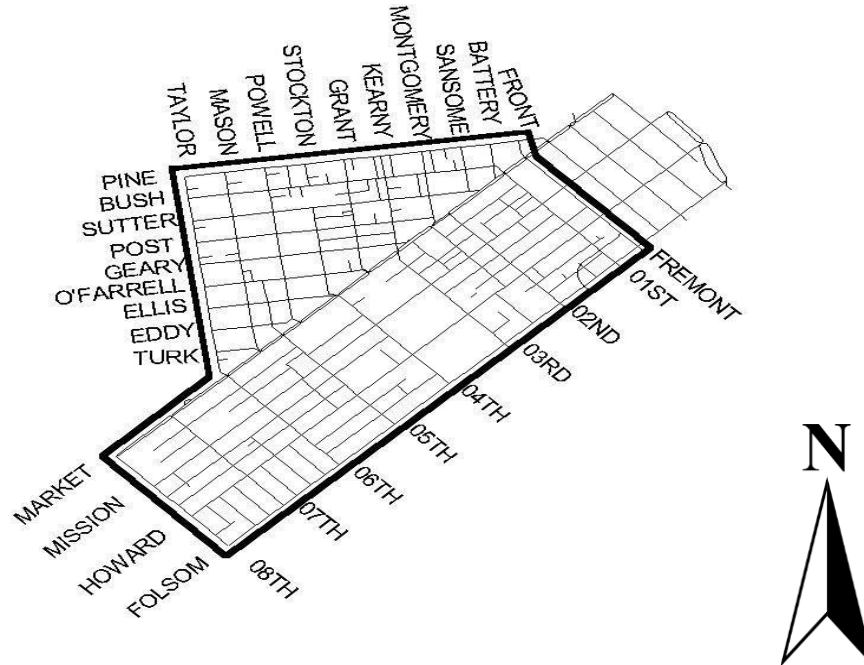
The streets around Oracle Park and Chase Center are subject to restricted construction hours during major events at the ball parks. No construction activity is allowed from two (2) hours before to two (2) hours after these events.

#### **2.2.4 Holiday Moratorium**

No construction work is allowed in the public right of way from the day after Thanksgiving to January 1, inclusive, during the hours of 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Holiday Moratorium protected streets. On protected streets all openings in the street and in the sidewalk must be closed by backfilling and paving or by plating over, providing safe and adequate passage for bicycles, vehicles and pedestrians. Work may be allowed between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. as long as the proper night noise permit is obtained.

**A. Protected Streets** - The following streets are considered Holiday Moratorium protected:

- i. **Any Street Within the Area Shown in Figure 1:** This area is bounded by Pine Street, Taylor Street, Market Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Folsom Street, Fremont Street, and Front Street, inclusive, and includes all streets. Alleys are not included in the Holiday Moratorium restriction unless they meet the criteria of a Business Block in the City (see paragraph ii below). Alleys are defined as streets under 25' wide from curb to curb.



**Figure 1:** Holiday Restrictions Boundary

- ii. **Any Business Block in the City:** A Business Block is any City block (including alleys) where at least 50 percent of the frontage is devoted to business. Frontage is defined as the measurement of the length of a building facing the subject street and only includes buildings with entry on the subject street. Establishments in this category are retail stores, grocery stores, bars, restaurants, non-residence type hotels and other retail businesses as determined by the SFMTA. Gas stations, parking lots and garages, government and private offices, repair shops, wholesale businesses that are not open to the public and businesses which are exclusively manufacturing, construction, professional or financial services, while all important, are not considered holiday retail businesses for the purposes of the Holiday Moratorium.

**Business Block Evaluation:** If work is planned during the Holiday Moratorium on a block that appears to be 50 percent or more protected commercial frontage, contractors should complete the Holiday Moratorium form available at the following link:

[https://www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/reports-and-documents/2022/10/holiday\\_moratorium\\_new1.pdf](https://www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/reports-and-documents/2022/10/holiday_moratorium_new1.pdf)

and email a copy to SFMTA permit staff at [TrafficPermits@sfmta.com](mailto:TrafficPermits@sfmta.com)

## **B. Conditional Approval and Waivers**

- i. **Conditional Holiday Moratorium Approval.** Applicants may apply for “Conditional Approval” to work on any street that has up to 75% business and is outside the map area in Figure 1 above (or on alleys within the map area). When applying for “Conditional Approval”, the applicant does not have to complete a full “Holiday Moratorium Business Block Survey.” If granted, the applicant may work as long as no valid objection is received at SFMTA. Following any valid objection, Conditional Approval may be revoked and work ceased until the applicant receives a standard Holiday Moratorium waiver.
- ii. **Standard Holiday Moratorium Waiver.** Applicants may request a standard Holiday Moratorium waiver from affected businesses if the block is protected. Applicants who request a waiver must be prepared to detail the hours of operation of businesses and obtain written approval from property and business owners. Please contact the SFMTA prior to contacting the public about a Holiday Moratorium waiver.

To request a standard Holiday Moratorium waiver, the contractor shall prepare a map of each block and a table listing businesses and their approvals and submit them along with copies of written approvals from the businesses and completed “Holiday Moratorium Business Block Survey” form for SFMTA to review. The contractor should use the City assessor map and the Holiday Moratorium worksheet for this documentation available at the following links:

Assessor Map:

<https://sfplanninggis.org/pim/?pub=true>

Holiday Moratorium worksheet:

[https://www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/reports-and-documents/2020/09/2020\\_holiday\\_moratorium\\_worksheet-sipv2.xlsx](https://www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/reports-and-documents/2020/09/2020_holiday_moratorium_worksheet-sipv2.xlsx)

SFTMA staff will review the Holiday Moratorium documents, make a decision and return a completed copy of the form to the contractor. If the block(s) are not Holiday Moratorium protected **or** SFMTA has received all written approvals, then SFMTA will approve the waiver on the form and work may continue. The contractor shall keep a copy of the form on site to show City staff (inspectors, engineers or enforcement personnel). The contractor must include approved Holiday Moratorium forms along with any traffic permits applied for

during the Holiday Moratorium period. Holiday Moratorium documents are valid for the year in which they are submitted.

**2.2.5 Major Muni Routes (Unclog the Streets)**

In order to facilitate traffic flow for Muni vehicles and for the general public, all construction activities affecting moving lanes (including tow-away zones) on any Major Muni Route (see table below) shall stop from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. Furthermore, all construction activities along any Major Muni Route that is on a business block (see Section 2.2.4.A) or along any Major Muni Route that is in the Area of Important Streets (see Appendix D, Map 1A), shall stop from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. This does not include alleys, where work is allowed.

The Contractor must become familiar with the routes of the coach lines operating within the work area. For further information on Muni routes or schedules, visit the SFMTA’s website at [www.sfmta.com](http://www.sfmta.com) or call SFMTA at 311.

**Table 2: Major Muni Routes**

<b>Muni Line</b>	<b>Name</b>
1	California
2	Clement
5	Fulton
9	San Bruno
10	Townsend
11X	Bayshore Express
12	Folsom/Pacific
14	Mission
19	Polk
21	Hayes
22	Fillmore
24	Divisadero
28	19 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
29	Sunset
30	Stockton
31	Balboa
38	Geary
41	Union
43	Masonic
44	O’Shaughnessy
45	Union-Stockton
47	Van Ness
48	Quintara
49	Van Ness-Mission

C	California Cable Car
PH	Powell-Hyde Cable Car
PM	Powell-Mason Cable Car
71	Haight-Noriega
F	Market
J	Church
K	Ingleside
L	Taraval
M	Ocean View
N	Judah
T	Third