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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory for Thursday, May 25 through Wednesday, May 31, 2023

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this week, from **Thursday, May 25 through Wednesday, May 31, 2023**.

For real-time updates, follow us on <a href="https://twitter.com/sfmta muni">https://twitter.com/sfmta muni</a> or visit <a href="https://twitter.com/sfmta muni">SFMTA.com/EmailText</a> to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts. For details of Muni re-routes, visit <a href="https://sfmta.com/Updates">SFMTA.com/Updates</a>. This website will be updated when it is closer to the event date.

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# **Masks Recommended**

Following the latest guidance from the <u>California Department of Public Health</u> (CDPH), San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), masks are strongly recommended but no longer required in any SFMTA facilities, transit hubs or on vehicles including Muni buses, streetcars, light rail vehicles or cable cars or in taxis or on paratransit.

# **Muni Service on Memorial Day Holiday**

On Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day Holiday), Muni will operate on a Sunday service schedule. For real-time updates, follow us on <a href="https://twitter.com/sfmta\_muni">https://twitter.com/sfmta\_muni</a>.

## Parking Enforcement on Memorial Day Holiday

Monday, May 29: Parking meters (all meters including color capped), white zones, nightly street sweeping (street cleaning) and safety violations (no stopping, no parking, red and blue zones) will be enforced.

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# Parking Enforcement on Memorial Day Holiday continued

Other SFMTA parking programs will not be enforced:

- Residential Parking Permits (RPP) Zones
- General Parking Time Limits
- Weekday Daytime Street Sweeping (Street Cleaning)
- Commuter Shuttle Towaway Zones
- Unmetered Yellow and Green Zones

Vehicles creating a hazard and/or an unsafe condition (i.e. double parking, blocking a bike lane, blocking driveways, blocking crosswalks, fire hydrants, etc.) are subject to receiving citations and can possibly be towed.

Note: Parking meters in the city are enforced Monday through Saturday with exception of the following areas where parking meters are enforced seven days per week throughout the year except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day:

- Parking meters in the Fisherman's Wharf area
- On and near The Embarcadero roadway
- In the Special Event Area around AT&T Park
- Five metered off-street parking facilities listed below:
  - o 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Clement Street
  - o 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Clement Street
  - o Geary Boulevard at 21st Avenue
  - o 18th Avenue at Geary Boulevard
  - o Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

## San Francisco State University Commencement at Ballpark

**Friday, May 26:** San Francisco State University's 2023 Commencement will be held at the ballpark on Friday. Gates will open at 3:30 p.m. The ceremony will begin at around 6:30 p.m. and conclude with fireworks at around 9:30 p.m.

Motorists are advised to avoid the increased congestion in downtown San Francisco and to avoid using the Bay Bridge two hours before and after the ceremony. Use of public transit, taxi, bicycles or walking is recommended.

Heavy traffic is expected in and around the ballpark. Those who choose to drive should allow extra travel time.



# San Francisco State University Commencement at Ballpark continued

A street closure of Terry Francois between 3<sup>rd</sup> and South streets will be required from 3 to 10 p.m.

Muni will operate extra S Shuttle trains along the M Ocean View Line between San Francisco State University and Oracle Park.

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, including connections from Bay Area transit system to Muni, visit www.sfmta.com/oracle-park.

# **Carnaval Festival and Parade**

**Saturday, May 27 and Sunday, May 28:** A free two–day festival will take place in the Mission District along Harrison Street between 16<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> streets. Event hours will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. For more event details, visit <a href="https://carnavalsanfrancisco.org">https://carnavalsanfrancisco.org</a>.

The following street closures will be in place from 4 p.m., Friday, May 26 to 2 a.m., Monday, May 29:

- Harrison Street between 16<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> streets
- Alabama Street (west side only) between 16<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> streets
- 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> streets between Folsom and Alabama streets
- 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> streets between Treat and Alabama streets
- Mariposa Street between Harrison and Alabama streets
- Treat Avenue between 16<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> streets
- Mistral Street between Treat Avenue and Harrison Street

The following intersections will be closed: 17<sup>th</sup>, Mariposa, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, Mistral, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> streets at Harrison Street; 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and Mistral streets at Treat Avenue.

**On Sunday, May 28**, the <u>Carnaval Grand Parade</u> will begin at 9:30 a.m. The staging area for the parade will be on Bryant Street between 17<sup>th</sup> and Cesar Chavez streets and on 24<sup>th</sup> Street between Harrison and York streets. Assembly for the parade will begin at 5 a.m. and the parade will finish approximately at 4 p.m.

The parade will proceed west on 24<sup>th</sup> Street from Harrison Street, north on Mission Street and east on 15<sup>th</sup> Street to the dispersal area along Harrison and Alameda streets between 16<sup>th</sup> and Division streets. 16<sup>th</sup> Street will remain open to traffic, however, motorists may experience significant delay and should allow extra travel time.



# Carnaval Festival and Parade continued

Cross traffic along Bryant Street, where parade staging will take place, will be allowed until 9 a.m.

The City will open streets to traffic as the end of the parade passes each intersection of the route.

No public parking will be available for this event. Event and parade participants are encouraged to take public transportation. There will be temporary bus stops for Mission Street Muni buses along Valencia Street at 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> streets.

The following Muni routes will be affected: 12 Folsom/Pacific; 14 Mission; 14R Mission Rapid; 22 Fillmore; 27 Bryant; 33 Ashbury/18<sup>th</sup>; 48 Quintara-24<sup>th</sup> Street; 49 Van Ness/Mission; 55 Dogpatch and 67 Bernal Heights.

# **San Francisco Giants Baseball Game**

Monday, May 29 to Wednesday, May 31: The San Francisco Giants will play three home games at the ballpark. Listed below are start times for these games and SF Giants to play:

• Three games against the Pittsburg Pirates: 1) 2:05 p.m., Monday, May 29; 2) 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, May 30; and 3) 12:45 p.m., Wednesday, May 31.

For more event details, visit <a href="www.mlb.com/giants">www.mlb.com/giants</a>.

# **Street Closures**

To accommodate events that will take place at the ballpark, the following street closures will be enforced:

- Two and a half hours before the opening pitch, the SFMTA will close eastbound King Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets to vehicle traffic. King Street will reopen after first pitch until the seventh inning.
- From the seventh inning until post-game traffic dies down, the SFMTA will again close eastbound King Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> streets to vehicle traffic in order to reduce congestion on city streets.
- Additionally, the northbound portion of the 4th Street Bridge (Peter R. Maloney Bridge) will be closed to all traffic except Muni, taxis and bicycles during the post-game period.



## San Francisco Giants Baseball Game continued

## Taxi Stands

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, west side, between Brannan and King Streets
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, east side, between Townsend and King Streets
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, east side, north of King Street

# Special Event Parking Rates

During baseball games and other major events with more than 10,000 expected attendees at the ballpark, parking meters close to the ballpark will charge a special event rate of \$9 per hour. These rates help reduce congestion and keep parking spots available in the neighborhoods near the ballpark, discouraging circling for free or cheap parking. Start times for special event rates vary based on the start time of the event. More information on special event parking regulations can be found on <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/special-event-parking">www.sfmta.com/special-event-parking</a>.

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, visit <a href="www.sfmta.com/oracle-park">www.sfmta.com/oracle-park</a>.

# San Francisco Unified School District High School Commencements at Kezar Stadium

**Tuesday, May 30 through Thursday, June 1:** San Francisco Unified School District will host high school graduation commencements at Kezar Stadium.

Motorists traveling to and from the ceremonies should expect heavy traffic around the event area, try to limit any driving on Frederick Street between Stanyan Street and Lincoln Way.

## **CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES**

# **UPDATE: 16th Street Improvement Project**

As part of the Muni Forward Program and to improve reliability, speed and increase overall system effectiveness for the key 22 Fillmore route, the 16<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project is part of a larger network of proposed or planned improvements to the Muni system.

## There is no active construction scheduled for this weekend.

For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit\_www.sfmta.com/16thStreet.



#### CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES continued

# **UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B**

The L Taraval Improvement project continues construction along Segment B replacing and repairing the infrastructure along the L Taraval line between Sunset Boulevard and 15th Avenue, and on Ulloa Street near West Portal.

The project is a comprehensive infrastructure rehabilitation of sewer and water lines and streetscape project. The project will address safety concerns for customers boarding Muni, address the much-needed rehabilitation of aging sewer and water lines while bringing streetscape improvements to the Taraval corridor for added vibrancy.

Work continues on water lines, as well as on the overhead contact system (OCS) that powers the trains. OCS work has transitioned to underground conduit work to support power to the trains and the new and existing streetlights. Curb ramp work has started with demolition and grading areas in preparation for construction of the new boarding ramps and to upgrade existing boarding ramps. Track work is expected to begin over the next few weeks.

The rail tracks west of the intersection of Ulloa and Madrone streets have been taken offline to facilitate the reconstruction of the water and sewer mains as well as replace the tracks and overhead lines. The upgraded sewer and water lines, permanent boarding islands and increased accessibility will make riding safer and more reliable.

The L Bus now runs between West Portal and the SF Zoo. Customer can transfer to a train at West Portal Station to travel downtown.

# The inbound stop at Taraval Street and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been relocated across the intersection until fall 2024.

The relocation will be until the end of construction after the new tracks are laid and the L Taraval rail service is reactivated.

Construction is scheduled to take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Extreme weather conditions may impact the construction schedule.



# CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES continued

<u>UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B continued</u>

In observance of Memorial Day holiday, there will be no construction work on Monday, May 29.

For additional project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project</u>. For project updates of work from Monday, May 22 through Saturday, June 3, visit <u>Project Update</u>.

# **ONGOING**

# **ONGOING: Muni's Service Network**

For details on Muni's current routes and service, visit individual route webpages or the <u>Muni Routes and Stops</u> webpage.

Until further notice, Muni buses will continue to serve the L Taraval Metro line between San Francisco Zoo and West Portal Station. Transfer to Muni Metro for service downtown. Additionally, Special L Taraval bus shuttle service is now running between San Francisco Zoo and Embarcadero, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., every 50 minutes.

## **ONGOING: Northeast Van Ness Station Entrance Closure**

Since Saturday, April 1, due to installation of the roll-up gate, the entrance located at the northeast corner of Market Street and Van Ness Avenue (next to the construction site) is closed for approximately three months.

To access Van Ness Station, customers can use the other three entrances on Market Street and Van Ness Avenue located at the:

- Southeast corner
- Southwest corner
- Northwest corner

For more information, visit <a href="mailto:SFMTA.com/VNentranceClosure.">SFMTA.com/VNentranceClosure.</a>



# ONGOING: 19th Avenue (CA Route 1) Combined City Project

San Francisco Public Works is leading a multi-agency project to replace aging infrastructure and improve safety along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Holloway Avenue and Lincoln Way.

Construction work for the first and second segment of this project along 19th Avenue between Lincoln Way and Taraval streets was completed. Construction work for bulbouts in the third and fourth segment along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Taraval Street and Holloway Avenue is ongoing. As part of the 19th Avenue Combined City Project, the SFMTA will implement transit priority and safety improvements for people walking along 19th Avenue. The improvements will make it safer to walk, remove stops to make transit service more reliable, and enhance customers' experiences—on and off the bus.

To improve safety along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, the SFMTA will: **1)** install pedestrian bulbs at 19 intersections and transit bulbs at 13 intersections; **2)** modify traffic and pedestrian signals to give people who walk more time to cross the street; and **3)** extend the bus zone at one intersection. Installing transit bulbs allow Muni vehicles to stop for passengers without having to pull out of traffic, and pedestrian bulbs increase the visibility at intersections of people who walk.

As part of the project, seven Muni stops were removed on 19th Avenue between Irving Street and Ocean Avenue last October. **The following Muni routes have been affected with the stop removal:** 

- 28 19th Avenue
- 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl

To find additional information about the transit reliability and pedestrian safety components, visit <u>sfmta.com/28Rapid</u>. For overall project information, visit <u>sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue</u>.

# **ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program**

The SFMTA's program, <u>Essential Trip Card</u> (ETC) Program, assists people with disabilities and older adults to make essential trips using taxis. The program provides two to three round trips at an 80% discount per month, i.e. rider pays \$6 to receive a value of \$30 or pays \$12 to receive a \$60 value. If essential needs require it, riders may receive additional value up to \$120 of taxi service per month.



# ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program continued

To qualify for the program: customer must be either age 65 or older or an adult with disabilities. Eligible adults may apply for the ETC program by calling the Paratransit Mobility Management office at 415-351-7053. Staff are available weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/etc">https://www.sfmta.com/etc</a> for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory">https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory</a>.

SFMTA's Shop-a-Round program which offers registered seniors and people with disabilities personalized assistance and rides to and from grocery stores and farmers markets is available as well. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round">https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round</a>.

# **ONGOING: Shared Spaces Program**

The city's multi-agency <u>Shared Spaces</u> program opened some parts of streets in San Francisco to create public space for outdoor dining, retail, cultural activities and physical distancing. The program allows the use of sidewalks, parking space, full or partial streets, or other nearby public spaces like parks and plazas for a wide range of activities responding to the COVID pandemic, as allowed by San Francisco's Public Health Order.

For details about the new legislated program requirements, permit fees and training opportunities, visit <a href="mailto:Shared Space/San Francisco(sf.gov">Shared Space/San Francisco(sf.gov</a>).

For details, locations and updates on street closures related to Shared Spaces, visit <a href="mailto:SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces">SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces</a>.

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To help with your travel plans to special events in the City of San Francisco, this release will be updated on a weekly basis. Whether you are a visitor or a local resident in the City, we hope you have an enjoyable weekend!

For more information on Muni service, please call the San Francisco Customer Service Center at 311 or visit <a href="www.sfmta.com">www.sfmta.com</a>. For additional information on Muni's Accessible Services Program, please call (415) 701-4485 or TTY (415) 701-4730.

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