

# Shared Spaces Hayes Shared Street

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## Where are Shared Spaces?







#### **Slow Street**







#### Shared Street vs Slow Street

- Regularly recurring, scheduled block(s) closure
- 2. On **commercial corridors** to support activation and economic activity
- 3. Closed to all motorized traffic
- Requires **sponsor** and SFMTA permit
  Primary purpose:
  - destination

- Traffic-calmed street, prioritizes active transportation and slow speeds
- 2. Intended for **residential streets** to support more walking and biking
- 3. Open to all modes of travel
- 4. Requires SFMTA Board Approval
- Primary purpose: mobility

#### **Location Criteria**



Additional analysis may be required to confirm feasibility for locations that don't meet conditions



#### **Hayes Valley Shared St Timeline**





#### **Hayes Valley Shared St Location**



#### **Hayes Street Successes**

- Created outdoor space when it wasn't safe to be indoors.
- Neighbors love the additional community gathering space!
- Some businesses report additional foot traffic.





Business sets up tables in the curb lane



# Hayes Street Challenges (1 / 2)





- Lack of activation
- Inconsistently meeting permit conditions (eg, barricade placement and monitoring intersections)
- Traffic congestion on nearby blocks
- Confusion and disorder for deliveries and customers



## Hayes Street Challenges (cont.)

- Double parking at intersection barricades blocks SFFD emergency access.
- Muni passengers and operators impacted by reroute.





## Permit Stakeholder Engagement

- Staff met with stakeholders representing main HV merchant and neighborhood groups.
- Staff took feedback to develop recommendations that address pandemic challenges and create success.





### **Post-Pandemic Staff Recommendation**

1. Modified Hours -(Every Saturday 1pm-10pm) 2. Regular Activation - @Shared Spaces Arts & Culture grant program! 3. Modified barricades to reduce double parking 4. Barricade Monitors 5. Additional wayfinding 6. Additional passenger loading at Gough and Octavia 7. Directions and Parking Map





#### **New Barricade Setup**



Cones outside crosswalk (Gough) and arcshape (Octavia) reduce illegal double parking and loading

## **Shared Street Wayfinding**

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- No Parking signs on intersection barricades
- Passenger loading zones on Octavia and Gough
- No Right Ahead sign to direct southbound Gough traffic
- Business loading signage on Gough to increase visibility

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#### **More Input: Surveys**

After staff shared the post-pandemic proposal,

- HVNA released a membership survey
  - Overwhelming support from neighbors to keep closure
- Office of Small Business completed door-to-door surveys to merchants directly on the 300, 400, 500 blocks
  - 16% merchants want street closed all weekend
  - 11% merchants want no closure at all
  - 66% preferred or satisfied with a one-day closure (eg Saturdays)



#### How do you feel about a 1-day (Sat) Closure for 400 Block of Hayes St?





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## **Next Steps**

- Create success:
  - Demonstrate compliance with permit terms
  - Find opportunities and partnerships for activation
  - Ensure business loading and other needs are met
  - Ensure 21-Hayes not impacted
  - Collect data
  - Improved activation and compliance will increase merchant support
- Expand upon success:
  - We can expand geography and/or hours/days based on merchant discussions and preferences if permit conditions are met



## **Questions?**

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