

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 211207-140

WHEREAS, Speed is the leading factor in severe and fatal crashes in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, Slowing vehicular speeds is the most effective tool to prevent fatal and severe crashes on our streets; and,

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill 43 (Friedman) was signed into law by the Governor and goes into effect on January 1, 2022 and provides cities with additional flexibility to reduce speed limits and,

WHEREAS, the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to modify speed limits on City streets using California Vehicle Code (CVC) 22358.7 subject to approval by the SFMTA Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, SFMTA staff have identified seven corridors that meet the criteria for speed limit reductions under CVC 22358.7 as business activity district corridors; and,

WHEREAS, the City Traffic Engineer recommends the following speed limit modifications:

A. REDUCE – FROM 25 MPH TO 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT - 24th Street, between Diamond and Chattanooga Streets and between Valencia and San Bruno Avenue; Fillmore Street, between Chestnut and Union Streets and between Jackson and McAllister Streets; Haight Street, between Stanyan Street and Central Avenue and between Webster and Steiner Streets; Polk Street, between Filbert and Sutter Streets; Ocean Avenue, between Geneva Avenue and Victoria Street and between Junipero Serra Boulevard and 19th Avenue; San Bruno Avenue, between Silver and Paul Avenues; and Valencia Street, between Cesar Chavez and Market Streets.

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed modifications and has been given the opportunity to comment on these modifications through the public hearing process; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed changes support Vision Zero's commitment to slow speeds to reduce crashes; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed speed limit modifications are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); CEQA provides a categorical exemption from environmental review for operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alterations of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities as defined in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, On October 22, 2021, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that the proposed speed limit reductions are categorically exempt (Case Number 2021-011067ENV) from CEQA, pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department by Case Number at <https://sfplanninggis.org/pim/> or 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400 in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference; and, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves modifying speed limits as set forth in Item A above; and further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors amends the Transportation Code, Division II, Section 702 to reduce the speed limit from 25 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour on portions of seven streets in the City.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of December 7, 2021.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

[Transportation Code – Reducing Speed Limits on Various Streets]

Resolution amending the Transportation Code to reduce speed limits on various City streets from 25 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour.

NOTE: Additions are single-underline Times New Roman;
deletions are ~~strike through Times New Roman~~.

The Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors of the City and County of San Francisco enacts the following regulations:

Section 1. Article 700 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by amending Section 702, to read as follows:

SEC. 702. DESIGNATED SPEED LIMITS.

(a) 20 Miles Per Hour. A prima facie speed limit of 20 miles per hour is established in the following locations:

(1) 24th Street, between Diamond and Chattanooga Streets and between Valencia Street and San Bruno Avenue.

~~(2)~~ Eddy Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Mason Street.

~~(3)~~ Ellis Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Mason Street.

(4) Fillmore Street, between Chestnut and Union Streets and between Jackson and McAllister Streets.

~~(5)~~ Geary Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Mason Street.

~~(6)~~ Golden Gate Avenue, between Van Ness Avenue and Market Street.

~~(7)~~ Grove Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Hyde Street.

(8) Haight Street, between Stanyan Street and Central Avenue and between Webster and Steiner Streets.

~~(9)~~ Hyde Street, between Sutter Street and Market Street.

- (~~7~~10) Jones Street, between Sutter Street and Market Street.
- (~~8~~11) Larkin Street, between Sutter Street and Market Street.
- (~~9~~12) Leavenworth Street, between Sutter Street and Market Street.
- (~~10~~13) Market Street between Franklin Street and Steuart Street.
- (~~11~~14) Mason Street, between Sutter Street and Market Street.
- (~~12~~15) McAllister Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Market Street.
- (16) Ocean Avenue, between Geneva Avenue and Victoria Street and between Junipero Serra

Boulevard and 19th Avenue.

- (~~13~~17) O'Farrell Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Mason Street.
- (18) Polk Street, between Filbert and Sutter Streets.
- (~~14~~19) Polk Street, between Sutter Street and Grove Street.
- (~~15~~20) Post Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Mason Street.
- (21) San Bruno Avenue, between Silver and Paul Avenues.
- (~~16~~22) Sutter Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Mason Street.
- (~~17~~23) Taylor Street, between Sutter Street and Market Street.
- (~~18~~24) Turk Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Mason Street.
- (25) Valencia Street, between Cesar Chavez and Market Streets.

* * * *

Section 2. Effective and Operative Dates. This ordinance shall become effective 31 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves this ordinance. The operative date for this ordinance shall be January 1, 2022. If the effective date of this ordinance is after January 1, 2022, the ordinance shall, upon its effective date, be retroactive to January 1, 2022.

Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, letters, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent

parts of the Transportation Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions or deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: John Kennedy
JOHN I. KENNEDY
Deputy City Attorney

n:\legana\as2021\2200156\01561712.docx

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of December 7, 2021.


Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency