

Slow Streets Phase 4

SFMTA Board of Directors

April 6, 2021

Slow Streets: A COVID Response





Original Slow Streets Treatment





New Slow Streets Treatment





Slow Streets Phase 1, 2, 3



Slow Streets Phase 4 Approach



Phase 4 Public Engagement

November 10 – December 14, 2020

- Neighborhood-specific surveys and webpages
- Meetings: four SFMTA virtual events and 3 neighborhood events
- Postcards mailed to residents along potential Slow Streets corridors
- Flyers posted along proposed corridors
- Coordination with District Supervisors and other community group representatives
- Ongoing coordination with neighborhood/merchant groups, Bicycle Advisory Committee, and Bayview Citizen Advisory Committee





Outreach Outcomes

- 1,278 responses to neighborhood surveys
- 33 attendees at virtual office hours
- 50% of pre-screened corridors recommended moving forward in the process
- For every neighborhood survey, 80%+ of respondents were residents of the neighborhood

Neighborhood	% Support for Slow Streets
Bayview	87%
Inner Sunset*	43% (47%)
Oceanview/Parkside	28%
Outer Mission	84%
SoMa	96%
Visitacion Valley	52%
Western Addition	88%

*follow-up survey conducted to propose an additional corridor



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- **Proposal**: <u>Temporary</u> access restrictions on corridors to allow roadways to be safely used as a shared space for foot and bicycle traffic with adequate space for travelers to maintain 6-foot separation
- Sunset Date: Slow Streets expire 120 days after emergency order is lifted unless there is permanent SFMTA Board approval
- **Timeline:** Implement as materials become available beginning April





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Program Benefits

- **Public Health:** Ensuring space for social distancing is imperative to preventing the spread of COVID-19
- Economic Recovery: Bike and pedestrian networks provide more choices when transit capacity is reduced
- Quality of Life: Repurposing roadway space for low-stress bike routes and public spaces that create ways for neighbors to build connections





Path to Permanence Process



All corridors will be evaluated using community surveys and data analysis, and only those with strong community support and minimal operational impacts will be converted to permanent Slow Streets



Next Steps

Today:

SFMTA Board approval of Phase 4

Spring 2021:

- Begin to install Phase 4 corridors with delineators
- Replace existing Slow Streets barricades with delineators

Summer 2021:

 Return to SFMTA Board with first batch of permanent approvals & the future network of Slow Streets corridors for permanence

