



# January 2013 SFMTA Livable Streets Report to the San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)

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### Compiled by the SFMTA Livable Streets Subdivision Staff

## A. BICYCLE PLAN

- 1. BIKE LANE PROJECTS: Since the full lifting of the injunction in August 2010, thirty-one (31) bike lane projects have been completed, adding nearly 20 miles (19.75) of bike lanes to the bicycle route network. In total, to date 75% of the bike projects identified in the 2009 San Francisco Bike Plan have been implemented, adding over twenty-four miles (24.45) of bike lanes to the network. In addition, four bike lane projects developed after the 2009 Bike Plan have been completed adding an additional 1.85 miles, for a grand total addition of 49 projects and 26.30 miles of bike lanes to the network. The next bike lane projects scheduled for implementation (in no particular order) are:
  - Project 2-14 McCoppin Street westbound bicycle lane, Gough Street to Valencia Street
  - Project 8-4 John Muir Drive bicycle lanes, Lake Merced Boulevard to Skyline Boulevard
  - No update
- 2. SHARROWS: To date, approximately 4,150 sharrows have been installed on approximately 140 different street segments totaling about 51 miles of roadway. This represents about 68% of the 75 miles identified in the 2009 Bike Plan. Staff is currently seeking funding for implementation of the remaining 1,350 sharrows. (No update)

# **B. FACILITIES & PROJECTS**

- 1. SIDEWALK BICYCLE RACKS: As of 01/22/2013: The SFMTA is in the process of purchasing 225 bicycle racks.
  - 108 sidewalk racks work ordered to be installed
  - 41 sidewalk racks surveyed and stenciled
  - 91 locations under review
- 2. ON-STREET BICYCLE PARKING: Applications are due 2/15.





Four bike corrals were installed since the previous report:

- Atlas Café, 3049 20th Street (Alabama Street side)
- Dear Mom, 2700 16th Street
- startupHQ, 185 Clara
- Truck, 1900 Folsom (15th Street side)

One bike corral adjacent to a Parklet was installed since the previous report:

• EHS Pilates, 1452 Valencia

One bike corral is pending installation:

• Whole Foods, 450 Rhode Island

One bike corral installation is on hold pending the restriping of a recently repaved roadway segment:

• Yoga Tree, 780 Stanyan

Three bike corrals are currently being reviewed for a potential public hearing:

- Central Kitchen, 3000 20th St
- Pi Bar, 1432 Valencia
- SF Zen Center, 300 Page
- 3. OFF-STREET BICYCLE LOCKERS: The Livable Streets Subdivision will transfer administrative duties to the Off-Street Parking Subdivision by February 2013 who will oversee the management of existing and potential renters while on-site garage operators will provide face-to-face customer service.

16TH & HOFF: The six bicycle lockers at the 16th & Hoff Garage will be removed and replaced temporarily with free-standing bike racks until the time which the SFMTA procures and installs electronic on-demand bicycle lockers. Four of the six lockers at this garage were not available to be rented due to mechanical issues. Free-standing bike racks will serve more people simultaneously and over time.

4. LONG-TERM BICYCLE PARKING: The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is evaluating the feasibility of long-term bicycle parking facilities in San Francisco. Staff completed a review of best practices and existing conditions in San Francisco and is finalizing a demand



analysis and policy review. All of this information will lead to recommendations and an overall strategy in spring 2013.

- 5. BROADWAY TUNNEL BICYCLE PROJECT: Working with Eco-counter and the Department of Technology, staff continues to adjust the bike sensors to reduce the number of vehicle detections (on-going). Staff is looking into flashing the bicycle symbol for 3 minutes instead of displaying the bicycle symbol for 3 minutes.
- 6. JFK DRIVE CYCLE TRACK: Final observations were taken this month (January 2013). Analysis is underway and staff are working on the final report and recommendations with an expected February release.
- 7. FELL/OAK BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECT: Striping is under construction. Concrete work to follow summer/fall 2013. (No update)
- 8. HOLLOWAY AVE TRAFFIC CALMING AND BIKE LANES: The legislation process for the section of Holloway between Beverly and Ashton is beginning. This item should be heard at a public hearing in approximately one month.
- **9. BICYCLE SHARING**: Contract negotiations with the top-ranked proposer, Alta Bicycle Share, continue. Fieldwork and site-specific outreach for over 60 potential sites are largely complete and Livable Streets staff are ready to begin legislation, public hearing and permitting as soon as a vendor is brought on board. (No update)
- **10.8<sup>th</sup> STREET**: Staff continues to evaluate operations of the new configuration. (No update)
- 11.OUTER SUNSET SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL: Caltrans is reviewing the construction obligation funding package with revisions to the submittals. Staff met with SFPUC's Cistern Project Management Team and Supervisor Chu's aide about the construction scheduling of the 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Ortega cistern. Project information can be found at: <a href="http://www.sfmta.com/cms/osafe/APGianniniMiddleSchool-and\_SunsetElementarySchool.htm">http://www.sfmta.com/cms/osafe/APGianniniMiddleSchool-and\_SunsetElementarySchool.htm.</a>
- **12.WIGGLE BIKE ROUTE IMPROVEMENTS:** Installation of green-backed ("super") sharrows and continental crosswalk markings along the route from Scott/Street at Fell Street to Duboce Avenue at Church Street and green pavement treatment between the modified transit island on the north side of



Duboce Avenue west of Church Street have been completed. Staff has coordinated with developer of adjacent property on design of northwest corner of the Market/Duboce/Buchanan intersection to accommodate "crossbike" markings and bike box. Striping and traffic operation improvements at this intersection are planned for FY 2013/14.

**13. POLK COMPLETE STREET PROJECT:** We held an open house workshop aimed at the business owners and merchants along Polk. We walked door to door and passed out flyers to encourage more attendance at the meeting. Staff presented several options for four different segments within the project area and is evaluating feedback. Based on feedback at the meetings and through the online survey, staff will complete a recommended conceptual design to be presented in March 2013.

#### 14.WATERFRONT PROJECTS:

*Trial Embarcadero Cycle Track for America's Cup* Staff has begun preliminary discussions about how to proceed with next summer's implementation.

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This project will be combined and piloted along with the rest of the Embarcadero. Discussions between merchants and city staff are in their initial stages.

(No update)

- **15.JOHN MUIR DRIVE:** The project is complete. Buffered bikeways and back-in angled parking on the western portion were installed in December.
- **16.17<sup>TH</sup>/CHURCH STREETS BIKE IMPROVEMENTS:** In mid-November, staff installed new pavement markings at this intersection to encourage bicyclists to cross the F Line tracks at sharper (i.e. safer) angles. The parking was also moved back to create more room for maneuvering.
- 17.SECOND STREET: DPW and SFMTA staff members are collaborating on a conceptual design to accommodate community desires for separated bikeways and widened sidewalks. Potential design features include left-turn restrictions, merge zones and separated bike phases. A fourth community meeting is planned for Spring 2013. Project website: http://www.sfdpw.org/index.aspx?page=1489



## C. FUNDING

- BICYCLE SAFETY AND OUTREACH ALLOCATION REQUEST: The SFMTA received FY 12-13 Prop K funding in the amount of \$136,000 to fund implementation of two years' (2013 & 2014) of bicycle safety and outreach programs. This request includes funding for labor and materials to produce, procure and distribute the following:
  - a. Bicycle safety equipment and related SFMTA labor costs (\$67,400):
    - i. Bicycle Lights (1,800 sets) & Retro-reflective spoke cards (5,000): \$32,800
    - ii. Youth Bicycle Helmets (2,850): \$19,800
    - iii. Bicycle Bells (600): \$14,800
  - b. Outreach materials, including revision of the San Francisco Bicycle Guide and Bike Network Map, and related SFMTA labor costs (\$68,600):
    - i. Bike Network Maps (500 existing maps & 7,500 new) : \$33,900
    - ii. Bike Guide (3,000 English, 1,000 Spanish, 1,000 Chinese): \$24,700
    - iii. Bike Seat Covers (1,000): \$10,000
    - iv. No update

## D. BIKE ED AND SAFETY

1. DON'T GET CAUGHT IN THE DARK CAMPAIGN: SFMTA and SFBC staff and volunteers participated in four Light Up the Night bicycle outreach events in 2012. As an expansion to the main pop-up tent events, staff reached out to local community organizations in underserved communities to request their help in distributing bicycle lights at local events. The SFBC is continuing this local community bicycle light outreach through the month of January.

#### 2. BICYCLE SAFETY EDUCATION CONTRACT:

Contractor is providing free bicycle safety education classes to the public in English, Spanish and Chinese languages. SFMTA continues working with contractor and Muni Training staff to produce the bicycle safety for Muni operators training video to be shown to Muni operators at new-hire trainings. (No update)



#### E. Miscellaneous

#### 1. SPOT IMPROVEMENTS:

a. Shorter term:		
	BAC Request	SFMTA Response
h)	Additional signage requested on the Kezar path between Lincoln Way and Third Avenue.	In addition to auto oriented signage and paint that has been installed, staff has submitted a work order for additional wayfinding improvements both at this intersection and on Sixth Ave near Hugo St. (No update)
i)	St. Francis Circle – Evaluate wayfinding signage and markings through intersection	Staff is considering improved wayfinding and signs for this intersection. (No update)
j)	Duboce and Market Street – eastbound cyclists end up in crosswalk	Staff was unable to identify funding for this project during the current fiscal year and will request funding in a future year.
m)	Review markings at Bosworth and Lyell	This item has been logged in. The Operations group feels that a crosswalk at this location would not be appropriate. Staff has no immediate plans to modify the bike lane striping but would consider changes once striping begins to fade.
n)	Hairball – Change cycle length or actuation at internal signal	Staff working with signal shop to upgrade the equipment and reduce the delay to pedestrian and cyclists at the intersection by simplifying the actuation. (No update)



b.	Longer Term:	
	BAC Request	SFMTA Response
b)	Stockton Contra-Flow Lane Study – Presently cyclists trying to reach the Stockton Tunnel from the south and west have no efficient way to legally ride to the Tunnel. A one block northbound contra-flow lane on Stockton Street from Post to Sutter streets would allow cyclists to travel one block north from Post Street toward the tunnel.	Preliminary review indicates that creation of a northbound contra-flow lane may require removal of heavily-used loading zones along Stockton Street, and reconfiguration of the pedestrian island at the intersection of Stockton and Sutter streets. While cyclists may currently use this route, the SFMTA has no short-term plan to make other modifications here. (No change)
c)	Improved signage for Cesar Chavez Street pathway under the US 101 Freeway interchange – Cyclists riding northbound on Bayshore Boulevard and eastbound on Cesar Chavez Street are often confused about entering and tracking the pathway under the US 101 Freeway interchange.	Green pavement marking have improved wayfinding westbound n Cesar Chavez.
d)	Polk Street Contraflow Lane	The SFMTA has met with the City ADA's coordinator to review the drop-off bay operations at Fox Plaza. The City's ADA coordinator has developed a design to accommodate an accessible parking space. Staff has shown the Fox Plaza the accessible parking space design, but they cannot complete their review until new ownership comes in March 2013 and provide their comments. Meanwhile, staff has started working with DPW on the civil engineering site survey of Polk Street. (no update)
f)	Extend the Post Street bike lane from Steiner Street to Webster Street.	Staff has recommended that this item be brought before the Mayor's Bike Working Group or directly to supervisor's for prioritization.



	BAC Request	SFMTA Response
k)	16 <sup>th</sup> and Harrison – Request bike	SFMTA staff has added the list to
	box	the universe of possible treatments.
		No specific funding has been
		identified to construct isolated bike
		boxes.