

## July 2010- SFMTA Livable Streets Quarterly Report to the Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC)

### Compiled by the SFMTA Livable Streets Staff

#### A. PLANNING

**1. BETTER STREETS PLAN:** The Better Streets Plan release is scheduled for July 15<sup>th</sup>. The release will be coordinated with the Valencia St. ribbon cutting.

**2. PEDESTRIAN COUNTING PROJECT:** Livable Streets Staff continues to rotate the pedestrian counters. The SFMTA will be rotating the counters every two weeks. Staff has asked the SFCTA for a change in scope to address the increased labor costs of this project. The automatic counter at Mission & Silver was stolen, leaving us with 5 remaining counters. These are sufficient to continue with our data collection.

**3. CROSSWALK GUIDELINES FINAL DRAFT:** The latest version has been forwarded to the City Traffic Engineer for his approval. Livable Streets Staff aspires to complete these guidelines before the end of summer.

**4. ACCESSIBLE PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL (APS) GUIDELINES:** The APS Policy was approved at the 4/20 SFMTAB. It can be found online at [www.sfmta.com/aps](http://www.sfmta.com/aps).

#### B. FACILITIES

**1. CONTINENTAL CROSSWALK CONVERSION (PROPK AMENDMENT):**

The SFMTA completed crosswalk conversions of standard crosswalks to continental crosswalks at 36 locations: 13 on Lincoln, 11 on Fulton, and the rest on Alemany, Geary, Mission, and Silver, for a total of 46 crosswalks in 09/10. Approximately 1/3 of the identified locations (approximately 180 locations) will be converted within the next year. The Continental Crosswalk Conversion Project includes advance yield lines “shark teeth” and “yield here to pedestrians” signs.

**2. RED ZONES:** Staff submitted a work order for 29 red zones at various locations citywide. Staff has now submitted work orders for 33 of the 50 red zones SFMTA is committed on doing through the FY09/10 Prop K ARF. Red Zones increase visibility near crosswalks, by removing parking that could potentially obstruct pedestrians entering the crosswalk.

**3. SCHOOL CROSSWALK MAINTENANCE:** Staff submitted a work order for the remaining 18 locations (out of a total of 30) funded by the FY09/10 Prop K allocation for restriping school crosswalks. The limitation was the cash flow established within the Prop K allocation.

**4. REOPENING CLOSED CROSSWALK AT GEARY AND STEINER:** Livable Streets Staff sent the latest design concept for reopening the west crosswalk to DPW for an estimate. The current City plan is to identify the funding required to reopen the crosswalk.

**5. 5<sup>th</sup> STREET AND MARKET:** Livable Streets Staff worked on a SMFTAB packet to accept a “Gift” of funds from a developer regarding potential pedestrian and bike treatments for 5<sup>th</sup> Street between Market and Mission Streets. Approval for the development project was received on July 8<sup>th</sup> at the Planning Commission.

### **C. Funding**

**1. SFCTA PROP K:** Livable Streets Staff is working on obtaining the approvals for four Pedestrian Safety and Circulation projects (Ped Counting Project, Red Visibility Curbs, Continental Crosswalk Conversion, and School Crosswalk Maintenance). These received an approval by the SFCTA’s CAC on 6/24. Staff is preparing new allocation requests for Traffic Calming Evaluation and Planning as well as 9 bike lane construction projects, and a pedestrian signal allocation.

### **D. Miscellaneous**

**1. SFMTA PEDESTRIAN PROGRAM REORGANIZED INTO LIVABLE STREETS SUBDIVISION:** The staff of the SFMTA Pedestrian, Bicycle and Traffic Calming Programs were reorganized into functional instead of modal teams. The staff attending the PSAC will remain the same.