

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 210921-109

WHEREAS, The T Third Street is among the busiest rail lines on the Muni Metro system; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes Program, the 4th Street Bridge was one of the few places along the T Third Street line where trains did not have their own right-of-way and were required to share lanes with traffic, which caused frequent delays for transit riders; and

WHEREAS, On January 5, 2021 the SFMTA Board of Directors approved temporary traffic modifications, and on January 6, 2021 the City Traffic Engineer approved temporary transit-only lanes, which collectively comprise the 4th Street Bridge Temporary Emergency Transit Lanes project; and

WHEREAS, Evaluation of the temporary changes has found that they were successful in achieving their goals, including protecting transit from traffic, with minimal impacts to traffic on 4th Street or nearby streets; and

WHEREAS, The proposed transit lanes and traffic modifications may be removed by the SFMTA Board of Directors at the recommendation of the SFMTA Director of Transportation based on consultation with the San Francisco Fire Chief regarding impacts to emergency vehicle response times as determined through joint data analysis conducted with the San Francisco Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Community engagement found support for making the changes permanent among people who cross the 4th Street Bridge using transit; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency has proposed traffic modifications as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH – MUNI ONLY LANE – 4th Street, northbound, from Berry Street to 148 feet southerly
- B. ESTABLISH – TRANSIT AND TAXI ONLY LANE – 4th Street, southbound, from Berry Street to Channel Street
- C. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN – 4th Street, northbound, at Berry Street; and

WHEREAS, Approval of permanent full-time transit-only areas on 4th Street between Berry and Channel Streets requires an amendment of the Transportation Code; and

WHEREAS, The Transit Effectiveness Project Final Environmental Impact Report (TEP FEIR) was certified by the San Francisco Planning Commission in Motion No. 19105 on March 27, 2014; subsequently, on March 28, 2014 in Resolution No. 14-041, the SFMTA Board of Directors approved all of the TEP proposals including Service-Related Capital Improvements

and Travel Time Reduction Proposals (TTRP) to improve transit performance along various Municipal Railway routes; as part of Resolution No. 14-041, the SFMTA Board of Directors adopted findings under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the Administrative Code (CEQA Findings) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP); the projects listed above were cleared at a program or project level; any modifications to the programs or projects as described in the FEIR would require further CEQA review; and

WHEREAS, On July 13, 2021, the San Francisco Planning Department Environmental Planning Division determined that the project was within the scope of the TEP FEIR; no new significant effects were identified, there was no substantial increase in significant effects already identified, and no new mitigations were required for the project; 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 at 49 South Van Ness Avenue in San Francisco, and is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, The public has been notified about the proposed improvements and has been given the opportunity to comment on those improvements through the public hearing process; and, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors adopts the Transit Effectiveness Project Final Environmental Impact Report CEQA findings as its own, and to the extent the above actions are associated with any mitigation measures, the SFMTA Board of Directors adopts those measures as conditions of this approval; a copy of the Planning Commission Resolution, the CEQA findings, and the CEQA determination are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at <https://sfplanning.org/> and 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400 in San Francisco, and is incorporated herein by reference; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves the traffic modifications as set forth in Items A through C above which may be removed by the SFMTA Board at the recommendation of the Director of Transportation based on consultation with the San Francisco Fire Chief regarding impacts to emergency vehicle response times as determined through joint data analysis conducted with the San Francisco Fire Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors amends Transportation Code Division II, Section 601, to designate full-time transit-only areas on 4th Street between Berry and Channel Streets which may be removed by the SFMTA Board at the recommendation of the Director of Transportation based on consultation with the San Francisco Fire Chief regarding impacts to emergency vehicle response times as determined through joint data analysis conducted with the San Francisco Fire Department.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of September 21, 2021.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

RESOLUTION NO. 210921-109

[Transportation Code – Transit Only Lanes – 4th Street]

Resolution amending Division II of the Transportation Code to designate full-time transit-only areas on 4th Street, northbound, between Berry Street and 148 feet southerly, and 4th Street, southbound, between Berry Street and Channel Street.

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 600 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by amending Section 601, to read as follows:

SEC. 601. DESIGNATED TRANSIT-ONLY AREAS.

(a) The locations listed in this Section 601 are designated as Transit-only Areas. Any vehicle operating within a Transit-only Area during times that the Transit-only Area is enforced is in violation of Transportation Code, Division I, Section 7.2.72 (Driving in Transit-only Area).

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(35) 4th Street, northbound, from Berry Street to 148 feet southerly. Except as to Municipal Railway vehicles and authorized emergency vehicles, no vehicle may operate within the Transit-only Areas on 4th Street, northbound, from Berry Street to 148 feet southerly.

~~(35)~~ **Other Transit-Only Areas.** Except for buses, taxicabs, vehicles preparing to make a turn, vehicles entering into or exiting from a stopped position at the curb, and vehicles entering into or exiting from a driveway, no vehicle may operate in the following Transit-only Areas during the times indicated:

Hours of Operation	Street	From	To
All Times	1st St.	Market St.	Howard St.

Hours of Operation	Street	From	To
	3rd St.	Townsend St.	Market St.
	4th St.	Market St.	Folsom St.
	<u>4th St. (Southbound)</u>	<u>Berry St.</u>	<u>Channel St.</u>
	16th St. (Westbound)	Third St.	Church St.
	16th St. (Eastbound)	Bryant St.	Potrero Ave.
	16th St. (Eastbound)	Vermont St.	Third St.
	Bush St. (Eastbound)	151 feet east of Sansome St.	Battery St.
	Church St.	16th St.	Duboce Ave.
	Clay St.	Sansome St.	Davis St.
	Fremont St.	Mission St.	Market St.
	Fremont St. (Northbound)	Harrison St.	Folsom St.
	Geary St.	Market St.	Gough St.
	Geary Blvd. (Westbound)	Gough St.	Baker St.
	Geary Blvd. (Eastbound)	Fillmore St.	Gough St.
	Geary Blvd. (Eastbound)	Baker St.	Steiner St.
	Geary Blvd. (Eastbound)	Masonic Ave.	Presidio Ave.
	Geary Blvd. (Eastbound)	15th Ave.	14th Ave.
	Geary Blvd. (Eastbound)	26th Ave.	24th Ave.
	Geary Blvd. (Eastbound)	33rd Ave.	32nd Ave.
	Geary Blvd.	14th Ave.	Collins St.
	Geary Blvd.	32nd Ave.	28th Ave.
	Geneva Ave. (Outbound)	Delano Ave.	280 Freeway Overpass
	Judah St.	20th Ave.	La Playa St.
	Mission St. (Northbound)	Randall St.	Cesar Chavez St.
	Mission St. (Eastbound)	1st St.	Beale St.
	Mission St. (Westbound)	Main St.	1st St.
	Mission St.	1st St.	11th St.
	Mission St. (Westbound)	11th St.	South Van Ness Ave.
	Mission St. (Southbound)	Duboce Ave.	Randall St.
	O'Farrell St.	Stockton St.	Grant St.
	O'Farrell St.	Franklin St.	Powell St.
	Otis St. (Outbound)	South Van Ness Ave.	Duboce Ave.
	Post St.	Gough St.	Grant St.

Hours of Operation	Street	From	To
	Potrero Ave. (Southbound)	25th St.	18th St.
	Sacramento St. (Westbound)	Drumm St.	Front St.
	Starr King Way	Gough St.	Franklin St.
	Stockton St.	Bush St.	Market St.
	Sutter St.	Gough St.	Kearny St.
	Taraval St. (Eastbound)	46th Ave.	17th Ave.
	Taraval St. (Westbound)	15th Ave.	46th Ave.
	Townsend St. (Eastbound)	Lusk St.	3rd St.
6:00 AM – 10:00 AM, Monday – Friday	Bush St. (Eastbound)	Montgomery St.	Sansome St.
	Bush St. (Eastbound)	Sansome St.	151 Feet Easterly
7:00 AM – 9:00 AM, Monday – Friday	Clay St. (Eastbound)	Powell St.	Sansome St.
	Sacramento St. (Westbound)	Kearny St.	Grant Ave.
	Sacramento St.	Front St.	Kearny St.
7:00 AM – 7:00 PM, Monday – Friday	Bush St. (Eastbound)	Montgomery St.	Sansome St.
3:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Monday – Friday	Sacramento St. (Westbound)	Kearny St.	Larkin St.
3:00 PM-6:00 PM, Monday-Friday	Sutter St.	Sansome St.	Kearny St.
	Clay St. (Eastbound)	Grant Ave.	Sansome St.
3:00 PM-7:00 PM, Monday-Friday	Bush St. (Eastbound)	Sansome St.	151 feet Easterly

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 31 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves this ordinance.

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:
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Secretary to the Board of Directors
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