Golden Gate Park

Stakeholder Working Group and Action Framework



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 Advance conversation and build consensus among major stakeholders about shared values and needs.

 Identify ways to improve travel to, from, and within Golden Gate Park.

Background



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April 2020

Mayor Breed designates JFK Drive car-free on weekdays

Fall 2020

District 1 Commissioner Fewer requests a working group to assess park access needs

Now

Findings of the working group

Next Steps

Rec/Park and SFMTA process builds on working group findings to evaluate alternatives for JFK Drive and improve park access





SFMTA transit lines serving Golden Gate Park





Accessible Parking





Collisions in Golden Gate Park, East of Transverse Drive (Excluding Highway 1)

Between 2014 and 2019 there were 30 collisions along JFK drive, East of Transverse.

Total Collisions: Total Victims: Pedestrian Collisions: Bicycle Collisions: CYCLIST 0 killed, 104 injured 40 (43.9%) 20 (21.9%) 91 ñ. 8 9 . . . 1 020 27 collisions occurred at the intersection of MLK and Highway 1 (not shown). Safety challenges at this intersection may warrant a separate analysis. 0. Source: Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System (SWITRS), 2019 data is provisional CROSSWALK HIGH INJURY NETWORK TRAFFIC SIGNAL 😳 STOP SIGN

DRIVER / PASSENGER

PEDESTRIAN

Working group Process 1:1 interviews and Meeting #1 ESTABLISH VALUES

Meeting #2
BUILD AN INVENTORY OF NEEDS

Meeting #3 PRESENT AND DISCUSS AN ACTION FRAMEWORK TO ADDRESS NEEDS

Meeting #4 REVISE ACTION FRAMEWORK AND COLLECT ADDITIONAL FEEDBACK

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FINAL PRODUCTS

Identified values, needs, and the Action Framework. The Recreation and Park Department and the SFMTA will build on these findings as they conduct additional public outreach, implement access improvements, and evaluate alternatives for John F. Kennedy Drive.

Findings – Needs



- Access for key groups, including youth, seniors, people with disabilities, communities of color, and park volunteers
- Clear wayfinding signage for pedestrians, bicycles, and vehicles
- Improved signage for the park shuttle
- Safe access from adjacent neighborhoods

- Safe and efficient transit
- Access for children
- Improved parking management
- Enable regional tourism
- Provide clear communications
- Clarify decision making process

Findings – Action Framework



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Highlights

- 42 Identified actions
- Short Term and Long Term Actions
- Primarily identifies actions that are the responsibility of Rec/Park and the SFMTA, however coordination with other partners such as the de Young and Cal Academy will be necessary

Action Categories

- Communication and Timeline/Process
- Westside Operation Analysis
- Access for People with Mobility Challenges
- Loading and Circulation
- Wayfinding/Signage/Safe and Comfortable Navigation
- In-Park Mobility Services
- Street Parking
- Parking Garage
- Transit and Regional Access
- Surrounding Streets



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Short-Term Actions

RPD – Install new ADA "blue zone" parking on park streets, especially close to the Dahlia Garden and Conservatory of Flowers

RPD – Repurpose part or all of the tour bus parking lot behind the bandshell on the Music Concourse

Long-Term Actions

RPD – Pursue equitable ADA parking solutions in the garage

RPD – Assess pavement conditions and pursue path and pavement improvements in-park where necessary

Example Additional Actions Identified: Short Term



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RPD – Create passenger loading loop in the Music Concourse. Evaluate the effectiveness of the loop as institutions re-open

RPD/SFMTA – Update and install new signage as circulation, parking, and loading access changes

RPD / SFMTA – develop short-term access plans for the Conservatory of Flowers, both for delivery access and ADA access/parking

Example Additional Actions Identified: Long Term



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SFMTA/SFCTA – Prioritize developing equitable, accessible, and timecompetitive non-auto transportation options for residents in the southeast and Chinatown

RPD/SFMTA – Explore redesign of Golden Gate Park Shuttle Service

RPD/SFMTA – Explore system of "parking nodes" within the park paired with mobility services

RPD/SFMTA – Explore improvements to park transit stops such as lighting and shelters.

RPD / SFMTA - Conduct a lighting assessment in Golden Gate Park to identify and address needed lighting improvements

Next Steps





Improvements January to October 2021

- 5 new ADA spaces on MLK Dr. adjacent the Music Concourse (Jan 2021)
- 4 temporary ADA spaces in the Bandshell parking lot converted to permanent (Jan 2021)
- Re-open Nancy Pelosi Dr. to vehicle traffic between Bowling Green and JFK; create 3 new ADA spaces (Mar 2021)
- Reopen Arguello Blvd and Conservatory Dr. West to vehicle traffic for direct access to the Conservatory of Flowers (Sept 2021)
- Repave the Bandshell parking lot for 8-14 new ADA spaces and construct accessible path-of-travel (**Oct 2021**)
- Various small improvements for bicycle access within the park (Dec 2021)
- Additional on-street ADA parking opportunities (ongoing)

Thank you. Any Questions?

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