San Francisco’s Quick-Build Initiative for Vision Zero Project Delivery

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Vision Zero Quick-Build Program

• Quick-build safety projects are a critical part of realizing the physical changes to street design required to reach San Francisco’s Vision Zero commitment.

• Quick-build projects have a streamlined approval process and use reversible, adjustable and lower-cost materials that can be installed quickly.
San Francisco’s Transit First Policy

- Voter approved in 1973
- Decisions regarding the use of limited public street and sidewalk space shall encourage the use of public rights of way by pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transit, and shall strive to reduce traffic and improve public health and safety.
Vision Zero Action Strategy

Increase the total miles of high-impact sustainable travel lanes - transit-only lanes, protected bicycle facilities, and wider sidewalks...

Reduce delivery timelines through quick-build projects - work done entirely by city crews...

visionzerosf.org/about/action-strategy/
“the SFMTA will develop a policy that requires SFMTA staff to move forward with quick, near-term safety enhancements on high injury corridors, including paint, safety posts, and temporary sidewalk extensions”

March 6, 2019

“We need to make bicycling a safer, more viable choice for our residents, and this starts with expanding our network of protected bike lanes and keeping our current bike lanes clear. That’s why I am directing the SFMTA to double our production of protected bike lanes over the next two years and increase enforcement of violations related to blocking bike lanes.”

May 9, 2019 (Bike to Work Day)
What makes it quick-build?

Traffic safety improvements that are

• Easy to implement
• Lower cost
• Adjustable/reversible
• Design, construct, and evaluate more nimbly and iteratively
Quick-Build Improvements

Typical quick-build improvements include:

- Paint, signs, and delineators
- Parking and loading changes
- Signal timing changes
- Transit stop changes
City staff delivers!
Streamlining the process
Projects to Date
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Evaluation

2019 Highlights

• Vehicle speeds decreased by 24% (6 mph) along 6th Street
• Bicycle use increased by 52% along 7th Street
• Double parking on Taylor Street was reduced by 100%

sfmta.com/safe-streets-evaluation-program
Moving Forward

• Project evaluation
• Project outreach
• Temperature check
• Queue up project & funding
Thank you!

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