

Community Advisory Committee of
Market and Octavia Area Plan
City and County of San Francisco

Meeting Minutes

Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, 5TH Floor

Monday, April 15, 2013

7:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Committee Members Present: Jason Henderson, Robin Levitt, Ted Olsson,
Dennis Richards, Krute Singa, Nick Wolff

Committee Members Absent: Michael Simmons, Lou Vasquez, Kenneth Wingard

City Staff in Attendance: Kearstin Dischinger (Planning); Ariel McGinnis (MTA);
Jonathan Rewers (MTA)

1. Call to order and roll call
2. Announcements, upcoming meetings, project updates, and general housekeeping
[discussion item]

Market Street masonry Historic District was approved by the Board.
Duboce Park Historic District will be at the BOS on Monday at Land Use.

3. Approval of minutes for February 5 and March 18 regular meetings [action item]

No action taken.

4. Allocation of funds from the sale of the former freeway parcels - Update from Planning staff and initial discussion of CAC funding priorities [discussion item]

See detailed notes, attached.

SFMTA and Planning presented a draft proposal.

CAC members requested additional information on three items.

CAC members appreciate additional funding to “finish” the Boulevard.

5. Development Pipeline Report and Legislation/policy Pipeline Report [discussion item]
6. Committee members comments & Issues the Committee may consider in future meetings [discussion item]
7. Public Comment
8. Adjournment

Allocation of funds from the sale of the former freeway parcels
Market Octavia CAC Discussion
April 15, 2013

Present – Jason Henderson, Dennis Richards, Robin Levitt, Nick Wolf, Krute Singa
[CAC comments in Blue](#)

Potential Projects – the CAC discussed these items and intends to pass a resolution in at the May 2013 CAC with recommendations on these projects. In some instances the CAC requested additional information which will be presented at the May CAC meeting.

1. Potential Short Term Projects seeking BOS approval before June 2013

- Market and Octavia: right turn prohibition enforcement camera \$300K
 - CAC requested SFMTA provide information on the effectiveness of cameras for April CAC
 - Some members did not feel that the camera added value to bicycle safety
- Oak and Octavia \$400K
 - soft hit posts
 - median work on Octavia
 - design for interventions – possible lane, parking, lighting and camera reconfigurations
 - The CAC supports this work and applauds efforts to develop long term solutions
 - The CAC requested response to the following ideas for April CAC:
 - Can the Soft hit post be installed from Octavia to Buchanan
 - What will the soft hit post look like – ie. Will there be a double white line
- Ped safety interventions, various \$250K (SFMTA will provide details)
 - The CAC expressed support for these interventions, especially the crosswalk and red zones at intersections
- Gough Street Ped signals at Fulton/Gough/Page \$730K
 - The CAC expressed support for this project, there was some discussion about the costs
- ReOpening Fell and Gough ped cross walk \$400K (SFMTA will provide cost estimate)
 - The CAC expressed support for this project
 - [SFMTA](#) committed to providing a refined cost estimate and a design for the April CAC meeting
- Bike Share program pilot extension \$600K
 - The CAC discussed this item at length. The following sentiments were expressed:
 - There is a need to provide adequate bicycle infrastructure before increasing the number of bicycles on the street, especially newer/less experienced cyclists.
 - There was a long discussion about the potential benefits of this program in relation to reducing auto congestion and auto conflicts.
 - Bike sharing could reduce demands on Muni and therefore help with related overcrowding issues.
 - It is unclear who will utilize the bike share program.
 - [SFMTA](#) committed to providing more information about the program at the May CAC meeting including – providing an overview of users and trip types of like programs in other cities.
- Short term bicycle safety intervention at Page and Octavia Street

- The CAC requested that the [SFMTA](#) develop and fund a short term bicycle safety intervention at Page and Octavia, including potentially adding a right turn lane for west bound autos and creating a designated bicycle path at the intersection of Page and Market
- [The SFMTA](#) will provide feedback on potential short term bicycle safety projects at the May CAC meeting.
- **Short Term Projects Total: \$2.68Million**

2. This summer, as part of the annual IPIC process, we will discuss potential projects for remaining \$6.32 Million, including:

- Market and Octavia bike and ped safety interventions TBD
 - Discussed some potential design interventions – there was some support for applying boulevard treatments to the end of the freeway to cue to drivers they are entering the City streets
 - SFMTA and Planning will provide a design proposal this summer
- Page Street @ Octavia short and long term interventions
 - CAC requested that the short term project be moved to short term list
- Oak and Octavia safety improvements TBD
 - CAC discussed many ideas, including potentially two-waying several blocks of Oak Street
 - SFMTA/Planning will provide a design proposal this summer
- Fell and Octavia ped safety
- 5 Fulton TEP improvements \$850K
 - Could improve muni service to the westside and reduce auto traffic on the boulevard
- new light rail vehicle \$3.9 Million
- restore Ped crossing at Franklin and Oak/Fell
 - general support for opening these crosswalks
- improvements to Market Street – various
- Grove Street bicycle amenities – improve Bart to west side connection

Ongoing or completed projects in the area

3. Projects with other funding Sources

- Page Street Bicycle Boulevard - FY 15 – Planning; FY 17 – Construction - \$1M Impact Fees
- Market & Octavia Plan
- Haight Street Transit and Pedestrian Improvements
- Gough and Franklin Pedestrian Improvements
- Living Alleyway Improvements – FY15-18 - \$1.6M
- Market & Octavia Intersection painting/ restriping
- Oak b/w Octavia and Laguna – bulb out and Streetscape improvements
- Hickory Alley – Alley improvements

4. Transportation Projects Completed since the Boulevard Opened

- Reopen crosswalk at Hayes and Gough
- Hayes two way Phase I
- Multiple South of Market traffic calming projects: McCoppin Street, Elgin Park, and other alleys

- Market and Octavia: bike lane median protection, signage, etc.
- Valencia and Market – protected bicycle turn
- Market Street – various bicycle improvements
- Otis Street bicycle lane

The disposition of former Central Freeway parcels is projected to generate \$57.5 Million in total revenue. The City, in partnership with the SFCTA and community members, programmed this revenue in accord with Proposition I (1999) to fund: the construction of Octavia Boulevard, bringing portions of City streets now designated as Highway 101 up to a state of good repair, and a package of ancillary projects to activate former Central Freeway parcels, protect nearby neighborhoods, and improve the function of Octavia Boulevard. The City anticipates that the sale of the former Central Freeway parcels will result in an additional \$21 Million in revenue, of which \$12 million is unprogrammed. City agencies in coordination with the Market and Octavia CAC (MO CAC) and community members will develop a capital plan for these additional funds for BOS approval.

Capital Plan Objectives

- The majority of funds, approximately \$9 Million, will fund transportation projects that are:
 - Consistent with the objective outlined in Prop I which directed that funds should go towards transportation improvements to corridors on or ancillary to Octavia Boulevard, including Oak/Fell Streets, South of Market, the Mission corridor, and the Franklin/Gough corridor
 - Prioritize projects that support affordable housing near Octavia Boulevard
 - Identified and vetted projects from the following:
 - Central Freeway Replacement Project Ancillary Projects Study (unfunded projects)
 - Market and Octavia Area Plan Community Improvements Document
 - Central Freeway Circulation Study
 - Transit Effectiveness Project (TEP)
 - Bicycle and Pedestrian Strategy
 - SFMTA's Capital Plans
- Approximately \$3 Million will be reserved for affordable housing in accordance with BOS Resolution 1512, which dedicated the purchase price of Parcel F to the Mayor's Office of Housing. MOH will program these funds through a separate process.

Process

City agencies: SFMTA, SFCTA, Planning, and DPW

- Coordinate through the Interagency Plan Implementation Committee (IPIC)
 - Develop a short list of potential transportation projects that meet the timeline and objectives as defined by the Community, BOS, and Prop I
- Develop a capital plan in coordination with the MO CAC and broader community
- Staff will present a complete funding plan to the BOS

Schedule

- Spring 2013 – Program vetted projects with short term implementation
 - CAC May and June
- Summer 2013 – Program Balance of funding through IPIC process
 - CAC Summer months