

# NOPNA General Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2018

Attendance: Approximately 20 neighbors at the meeting (very rainy night!)  
actual count - 12 neighbors (16 including board members: Charles, Leela, Julian, Jason) + 6 presenters. [Jason]

## Ford Go Bike: Results to Date

- Central & Fell => 49/trips per day; 100 trips per day max; Central & Fell one of the most popular stations. Refilled every day and sometimes twice per day.
- McAllister & Baker => 15 trips per day; 48 trips per day max
- Grove & Divisadero => 25 trips per day (976 members using bikes at this station)
- Stations in the neighborhood look like they are overcapacity.

## Q&A:

1. Bike Share for All members is provides a one-time \$5 annual membership for qualifying residents. The program also includes a cash payment option too.
2. What kind of improvements do you want to make? Want to work with the community to determine what kind of improvements you are looking for. Ford Go Bike people handed out a survey. Charles stated NOPNA will be sending out a Go Bike survey to all those on our mailing list.
3. Next station locations? [Ford Go Bike locations](#) are posted on its website.
4. How has Jump Bike affected ridership? Jump bikes are electric bikes; not sure how it is impacting ridership.
5. Are you considering adjusting the pricing Structure? Added a \$3 per trip option or \$15 per month membership being considered.
6. How is the business doing? Revenue sharing model with the City; Sponsorship is critical as the company is not profitable yet.
7. Can you (please) post your station notifications beyond the current 250 feet perimeter? 250 Feet is an average block which is why it was posted. City had to draw a line so that was set at 250 feet.

## SFMTA re: Fell Street Safety

Vision Zero: A goal to have zero traffic related fatalities in SF.

- 75% of accidents happening on 13% of our SF streets; Fell is one of them.
- 22 collisions on Fell (including vehicles, pedestrians, bicycles)
- SFMTA want to introduce "red curbs" to open up site lines for traffic. 6 to 8 parking spaces would be removed.
- Introduced paved in safety zones (Fell and Baker)
- Feedback so far is that people are worried about losing parking but everyone understands the importance of pedestrian safety.

## Q&A:

1. Is SFMTA looking at parking in the neighborhood wholistically? SFMTA has a new group looking at parking (pickups and drop offs becoming an issue). The City is taking the parking issue seriously.

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2. What are bulb-outs for? Some are for transit so MUNI can get back into the lane without affecting traffic as much.
3. Reducing speeds via cameras. SF has red light cameras but not speed enforcement cameras (this is a state issue and requires state legislation; it was on the ballot and did not pass; big concern about privacy; political back and forth)
4. Comment: Focus on areas most dangerous. Baker, Masonic, Shrader are the highest collision rates according to one neighbor at the meeting. There is a concern that Fell is not the highest injury corridor. Answer: SFMTA is focussing on the streets with the highest collisions but this does not exclude working on Baker, Masonic at Oak, or Shrader.
5. Is there a standard space removal? 10 feet. State recommends 20 feet but SF is doing 10 feet which is the minimum recommended.
6. What is the actual parking spaces being removed? A parking space is consider 17 to 20 feet. So, approximately 6 spots. When you are taking a 10 feet red zone it can affect more than one parking spot.
7. SFMTA is introducing lead pedestrian intervals that allows the walk signal to go on first so pedestrians get a head start into the intersections. This is improving conditions for pedestrians.

### **SF Public Utilities Commission - Water and Sewer (Jignesh and Christina)**

About SFPUC: It provides provide safe and high quality drinking water and free hydropower, sewer services to protect public health. SFPUC provides high quality water approx. 100 millions gallons per day to and hydropower to schools, and other public buildings.

- Jignesh gave the group some background: Our regional water comes from hetch hetchy and travels by gravity; crosses three seismic faults; Vulnerabilities include climate change (we rely on snowmelt) and seismic.
- During the day, in SF the PUC serves 1.5 million people; in the evening it serves 900,000 residents
- In SF we have 3 treatment plants; one in the BayView, one near the Zoo, Pier 33
- The PUC treats storm water (oil, sand, etc); everything comes to a plant before it goes to the bay
- 600 million gallons per day in the treatment - our system is getting very old; it was built 150 years ago so we need to start investing in our sewer system improvement; 1900 miles of sewer pipes (only replacing 15 miles of sewer pipes per year)
- There is roughly 100,000 miles of pipe but SF can only replace 10 miles per year. SFPUC does inspect 200 or 300 miles per year and prioritizing the pipes based on those assessments.
- Big sewer system improvement program is starting because of the age of the pipes and the corrosion. Think about a day without water; and think about a day without wastewater. SF needs to invest now and cannot wait.
- Christina talked about rate payer increases; when they set rates it is a public process; they discussed the investment required and have to engage in an independent consultant rate; publicly owned system so not trying to make money; trying to deliver the best value to you, our customers.

To bring citizens a gallon of high-quality water costs you roughly \$0.04 per gallon. (Think about how much you would pay at the grocery store for a gallon of water) SFPUC is proposing a 4-year rate

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increase; about \$10 per year for a normal family home; 8.4% annually over the next 4 years for a single family residential home; 80% covers capital investment

- There is a bill calculator on the SFPUC website; “ways to save” programs like fixture replacement programs; and staff can come to your home to evaluate how you can save water.
- SFPUC wants to promote conservation because it is the one resource we all need

### **Calendars of Events (Charles)**

- Mon. March 19, Community Mtg re: 400 Divisadero at The Independent, 628 Divisadero
- Sat. June 2, Block Party at Baker and Grove

Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.