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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Final Approval Date: 9/15/2023
Case No.: 2023-002038ENV
Project Title: Geary Boulevard Improvement Project
Zoning: Not applicable (project site in public right of way)
Block/Lot: Not applicable (project site in public right of way)
Lot Size: Not applicable (project site in public right of way)
Lead Agency: San Francisco Planning Department
Project Sponsor: Liz Brisson, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA)
 Through: Andrea Contreras, SFMTA
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To: County Clerk, City and County of San Francisco
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Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Guidelines of the Secretary for Resources, and San Francisco requirements, this Notice of Exemption is transmitted to you for filing. At the end of the posting period, please return this Notice to the Staff Contact with a notation of the period it was posted.

Attached fee: \$79 filing fee

Project Description and Location

The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) proposes to implement transit and pedestrian safety improvements along the 38 Geary/38R Geary Rapid Muni route on Geary Boulevard in the Richmond District between Stanyan Street and 34th Avenue. The inbound direction for this route is east towards downtown, and the outbound direction for this route is west towards the Richmond District. Project elements would include:

- Installing transit lanes between 28th and 15th avenues.
- Relocating 10 bus stops, removing two closely spaced stops, and extending some bus stop lengths to improve transit performance and accessibility.
- Pedestrian safety improvements, including transit and pedestrian bulb-outs, daylighting, expanded median refuges, and turn restrictions at key intersections.
- Traffic signal upgrades to improve signal visibility, as well as to upgrade communications from wireless to fiber-optic technology.

To accommodate the new transit lanes, extended bus stops, bulb-outs and daylighting, the nearby on-street parking supply would be reduced. To improve loading access at the curb, new and consolidated commercial and passenger loading zones would be installed.

Determination

The City and County of San Francisco decided to carry out or approve the project on August 15, 2023, when the SFMTA Board of Directors approved the project. The project was officially approved on September 15, 2023, when no appeal of the statutory exemption was filed during the 30-day appeal period. A copy of the documents may be examined at the Planning Department, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA, 94103 in file no. 2023-002038ENV.

1. An Exemption from Environmental Review has been prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA under:
 - Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
 - Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
 - Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
 - Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: _____
 - Statutory Exemption. State code number: Public Resources Code Section 21080.25
 - Community Plan Exemption (Sec. 21083.3; 15183)

2. This project in its approved form has been determined to be exempt from environmental review because it fits the definition of the above-stated statutory exemption.

Debra Dwyer

 For Lisa Gibson
 Environmental Review Officer

September 18, 2023

 Date

cc: Liz Brisson, SFMTA
 Andrea Contreras, SFMTA
 Supervisor Connie Chan, District 1
 Supervisor Catherine Stefani, District 2



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2023 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/23) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
 38-09/19/2023-100
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY		DOCUMENT NUMBER 2023-0000059

PROJECT TITLE
 GEARY BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME JENNIFER MCKELLAR	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL jennifer.mckellar@sfgov.org	PHONE NUMBER (628) 652-7600
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$ 3,839.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$ 2,764.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$ 1,305.25	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)		
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$ 850.00	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$ 79.00	\$ _____ 79.00
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