# EXCELSIOR & OUTER MISSION NEIGHBORHOOD STRATEGY 10.04.17

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### **COMMUNITY BENEFIT DISTCTS**

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- » Include pedestrian safety elements for pathways to heavily-used gathering spaces, family recreation areas, and schools.
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- » Work with city agencies to provide clear, safe and identifiable entrances to Golden Gate Park.

#### TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY FRAMEWORK

Objective	Short (0-2 years)	Medium (2-5 years)	Long (5+ years)
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#### DELIVERABLE MODEL: MISSION ACTION PLAN 2020

#### SOLUTIONS PLANNED AND UNDERWAY 1. TENANT PROTECTIONS

Tenant protections solutions fall into two categories: direct services/programs and policy changes. Generally, the first type is funded by Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development and the Human Services Agency and implemented by grantees and organizations that specialize in these services. The latter type is typically the responsibility of legislative bodies and representatives to implement. For all solutions that require additional funding, the amounts are determined in the City's annual budgeting process. The City's fiscal year begins July 1.

Over the past three years, the City has increased significantly its investments in eviction prevention and tenant counseling services focusing on keeping tenants in their homes. In FY 2014-15, MOHCD invested approximately \$3,600,000 in these service areas. In 2015-16, that amount increased to approximately \$4,300,000. As of July 1, 2016, MOHCD has now allocated over \$7,000,000 in funding to support eviction prevention and tenant counseling.

Since 2013, MOHCD has also convened eviction prevention and tenant counseling group on a bi-monthly basis to discuss policy and funding issues and improve coordination between the City and community-based organizations.

#### **Programmatic Solutions**

#### 1T. Expand existing services that help residents gain access to housing.

Description: Additional public funding to expand available housing support services to more people will be made available to nonprofit community agencies through an RFP process. The agencies, funded by public and philanthropic dollars, provide outreach, relocation and placement support, education about affordable housing opportunities, assistance with applications for affordable and BMR units, and assistance with the eligibility process to receive applicable neighborhood preference, Certificate of Preference for individuals displaced by former Redevelopment Agency actions, and preference for tenants displaced by Ellis Act evictions or owner move-in evictions.

**Benefit:** Support for individuals seeking access to affordable housing opportunities.

**Challenge:** San Francisco's diverse population makes it challenging to provide comprehensive outreach to inform residents about access to housing.

Next steps: \$450,000 has been awarded to six organizations which will provide expanded citywide access to housing in FY 16-17. These groups include Veteran's Equity Center, HomeownershipSF, Homeless Prenatal Program, the Arc, San Francisco Housing Development Corporation and Bayview Senior Services. Services will begin in October, 2016. An additional \$250,000 for access to housing services will be awarded by November, 2016.

Underway: Yes Responsible party: MOHCD Timing: Short Cost: \$

### CONSENSUS TO PLAN

- Identified and prioritized strategies lead to alignment of resources.
- Some items will require more planning, research, and funding to be implemented.
- That's great!

#### CONSENSUS TO PLAN

Foundational public realm plan created

Green the public realm

Implemented along corridor and with new development

Community Benefit District strategy is prioritized Committee established; investigation begins Potential for vote and Community Benefit

Denent

District formation

#### SCHEDULE

Accomplishments!				
Мау	Kick Off Meeting – 150 in attendance	Recruit for Working Group – 60 + applications	Survey- 972 responses	
June	Survey & "Pop Up" Workshops -	Working Group Formed		
July	WG Orientation	WG Meeting 1	Survey & "Pop Up" Workshops Continue	
August	WG Meeting 2 (subgroups)	WG Meeting 3 (subgroups)	Focus Groups	
September	WG Meeting 4 (subgroup)	Liaison Meeting	WG Meeting 5 - Sept 21st	

	Remaining Schedule					
October	Sunday Streets - October 1	WG Meeting 6 - October 4	WG Meeting 7	Subgroup Meetings	Focus Groups	
	Use booth & table at event to get final feedback and buy-in on strategy.	Purpose: (1) Build consensus on items (2) learn more about community benefit districts	Purpose: (1) Build consensus on items	Purpose: Varies by group.	Purpose: Gather more input/community dialogue; focus on hard-to-reach populations.	
November	WG Meeting 8	WG Meeting 9	Final Subgroup Meetings	Focus Groups		
	Purpose: (1) Discuss orioritization of strategies (2) ntroduce housing & land use strategies		Purpose: varies by group.	Purpose: Gather more input/community dialogue; focus on hard-to-reach populations.		
December	WG Meeting 10	Planning Commission - Dec 14	Document Publishing			
	Purpose: (1) Focus on next steps	Informational presentation to the Planning Commission on progress to date	Draft and polish the Phase 1 document			
January	Community Meeting	Phase 1 Implementation	Phase 2 Kick Off			
	Presentation of Phase 1 Strategy					

### CONSENSUS

- "I support it"
- "I can live with it"
- "I have a principled block"
- Voting 2/3 majority, if needed
- Any member of working group can call for vote

### Voting – If needed

- After 10 minutes of discussion, we can call for a vote. This consists of 2 steps:
  - #1: Affirming to vote on the strategy. 2/3 majority needed to vote.
  - #2: Vote to approve the strategy (as stated or amended). 2/3 majority needed for "full working group support".

 "Majority" is based on the number of working group members present.

#### **Dot Activity**

- Temperature Check
- Review the items.
  - Read silently or engage with others.
- Decide where to place your dot
  - Support: Green
  - Could support: Orange
  - Do not support: Red
- Staff dots are small and green
- Please only **1 dot per item**
- Try not to skip, if you can

- Purpose: Understand items discussed in subgroups.
- Next
  - Work from items with the most support to the least support.
  - Discuss
  - Determine if there is consensus to recommend, not recommend, or to learn more.

#### Example

- Develop a public realm plan has:
  - 20 support dots
  - 5 maybe dots
  - 3 do not support dots
- Discussion
  - Can anyone from public realm speak to why this strategy was supported?
  - Can anyone who did not support this describe why?
  - What about those who wanted to learn more?

- Use Fist to Five to Assess Consensus
- Record

#### Fist to Five – Active Decision Making

- "Fist to Five" consensus when group decisions are needed



- Fist A no vote
- 1 Finger I still need to discuss it and suggest changes
- 2 Fingers I am comfortable with it but want to discuss minor issues
- · 3 Fingers I'm not in total agreement but don't need to discus further
- · 4 Fingers I think it's a good idea/decision and will work for it
- 5 Fingers It's a great idea and I will be a leader

#### Progress

	Consensus	Near Consensus	No Consensus	To Be Considered
Goals - 16 Goals	6	4	4	2
	38%	25%	25%	13%
Strategies & Tactics - 71 Total	8	20	26	17
Strategies & lactics - /1 lotal	11%	28%	37%	24%

63% of Goals39% of Strategies & Tactics

## **Goal:** Develop a stable and secure source of funds to construct, maintain, and enhance public realm improvements.

Develop a stable and secure source of funds to construct, maintain, and enhance public realm improvements.	I support this goal	I support this goal with some modifications or information	I do not support this goal.
	11	4	0
	Generally, I recommend this strategy.	I would recommend this strategy with some modifications or more information.	I do not recommend this strategy.
Establish a committee of property & business owners to <i>investigate and research</i> the impacts and viability of a <b>community benefits</b> <b>district.</b>	2	11	2
Establish a committee of property & business owners to <i>investigate and research</i> the viability of a green benefits district.	2	9	3
Analyze the potential funds generated from impact fees charged to new development; analyze the costs and benefits of the impact fees.	1	11	3

# **Goal:** Pedestrian connections to Mission Street are safe and inviting.

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	11	0	0
	Generally, I recommend this strategy.	I would recommend this strategy with some modifications or more information.	I do not recommend this strategy.
Identify and create <b>safe pedestrian connections</b> from neighborhoods to the Mission Street corridor.	8	0	0
Enhance pedestrian connection <b>between Mission</b> <b>NCD and regional transit hubs</b> (Balboa Park and Glen Park BART).	9	1	0
<b>Fund and implement</b> pedestrian improvements planned for <b>Ocean Avenue,</b> from CCSF to BART and from BART to Mission Street.	8	3	0

# **Goal:** Bike connections to and through the NCD are safe and free from vehicular collisions.

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	8	1	0
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Identify and create <b>safe bike connections</b> <b>from neighborhoods</b> to the Mission Street corridor.	10, 1 staff	0	0
Enhance <b>bike connection between Mission</b> <b>NCD and regional transit hubs</b> (Balboa Park and Glen Park BART)	7	0	0
Identify gaps in the bike network and work to create a complete network of separated and protected bike lanes.	8, 1 staff	0	2

#### **Goal:** Encourage active street frontage.

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	13	0	0
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Activate vacant storefronts through <b>pop-up</b> <b>shops</b> and <b>art installations</b> .	9	3	0
Prioritize <b>attracting new businesses</b> to vacant storefronts.	6	1	0
Encourage active and welcoming streets by encouraging <b>storefront transparency</b> through outreach to shop owners and enforcement.	15	1	0

#### **Goal:** Green the public realm.

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	13	0	0
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Identify an appropriate and desirable <b>plant</b> <b>palette</b> to guide planting choices on the corridor.	12	1	0
Encourage near-term, small-scale greening through <b>planter boxes and filling empty tree</b> wells.	11	1	0
<b>Prune the trees</b> currently located on the commercial corridor.	14	0	0

#### **Goal:** Clean the public realm.

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	13	0	0
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Develop a <i>multi-lingual, and multicultural</i> <b>anti-litter campaign.</b> This can include graphics, clean up events, use of 311, and efforts to discourage litter and dumping	14	0	0
Investigate root causes of dumping.	12	2	0
Enforce existing <b>sidewalk cleanliness</b> regulations.	13	3	0

# **Goal:** A network of vibrant public spaces--including parks, plazas, and open space--offer places where neighbors and visitors can sit, socialize, play, and share.

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	9	0	0
	Generally, I recommend this strategy.	I would recommend this strategy with some modifications or more information.	I do not recommend this strategy.
Develop a <b>public space plan</b> that identifies (1) public locations that could be enhanced and (2) private locations that could be acquired for public space.	11	0	0
Allocate funds to develop a conceptual design of the <b>Persia Triangle.</b>	7	4	0
Allocate funds to develop a conceptual design for public space at Whittier and Mission Street.	3	5	0
Engage more businesses in the construction of <b>parklets</b> (or farmlets) to create more open space.	7	3	3

Goal: Use art and design to create a sense of place that reflects and reinforces the character and identities of the area.

#### Consensus

On 9-21-17, the Working Group supported the strategy to:

- Support new and additional street and sidewalk lighting, funded by the Public Utilities Commission.
- Encourage businesses to install lighting that illuminates the sidewalk. This would be in addition to public lighting.

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Develop <b>entry signs</b> at "entrances" to the district and at different nodes	4	8	0
Use "everyday" objects to give identity to nodes and serve practical purposes: benches, street lights, plantings, signage, banners	15	0	0
Develop a " <b>historic sign program</b> " that would help identify and restore signs that contribute to neighborhood history and character.	4	4	1
All branding, art, design, and communication strategies must be <b>multi-lingual and multicultural</b> so that <b>everyone feels</b> <b>connected to the corridor</b> .	8	4	2

**Goal:** Increase feeling of safety in the corridor and reduce incidents of violence.

#### Consensus

On 9-21-17, the Working Group supported the strategy to:

**Develop a public art plan** that, integrates with the public realm plan, to identify areas for art within each node. The plan should consider a **wide variety** of art and **unique types** of art.

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Increase safety by encouraging businesses to install <b>security cameras.</b> Provide funding & technical support.	5, 3	7, 5	1, 4
Assemble a multi-agency <b>taskforce</b> to systematically and consistently address criminal activity and code violations.	2, 4	7, 6	0, 0
Encourage SFPD to deploy <b>beat cops</b> (foot/bike patrol) in the NCD.	6, 9	2, 3	0, 0
Collaborate with SFPD to ensure the presence of beat cops and other safety measures encourages feelings of safety and <i>does not</i> <i>lead to</i> harassment of residents, customers,	4, 8	4, 0	0, 0

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# **Goal:** Small businesses thrive in the Neighborhood Commercial District.

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	10	2	0
	Generally, I recommend this strategy.	I would recommend this strategy with some modifications or more information.	l do not recommend this strategy.
Develop and fund multi-lingual <b>Excelsior Business Leadership</b> <b>Program</b> to provide training to support small businesses.	6	2	2
Outreach to businesses to increase participation in existing programs; ADA, façade improvements, lighting, cameras, legacy businesses, etc.	6	4	0
Develop <b>"façade improvement express"</b> program that allows business owners to make quick improvements to their storefront.	13	1	0
Develop a <b>loan fund</b> to help business owners to purchase property, and thereby increase their stability from displacement due to rising rents.		2	0
<b>Research the impacts of pursuing formula retailers as "anchors"</b> <b>along the corridor.</b> What could be the impacts? Would such a strategy be feasible? Would such a strategy be desirable?	3	4	3

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Improve permitting process for businesses at the City & County level.	I support this goal	I support this goal with some modifications or information	I do not support this goal.
	8	4	0
	Generally, I recommend this strategy.	I would recommend this strategy with some modifications or more information.	I do not recommend this strategy.
Streamline the permitting process - Produce recommendations on how to reduce the number, cost, and time required to obtain permits for opening, operating, and expanding small businesses	10	4	0
Have single point of contact for new businesses opening in district, shepherding entrepreneurs and property owners through the permitting processes.	7	3	0

# **Goal:** Establish parking standards and controls that promote quality of place, support the commercial core, and do not adversely affect residents.

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affect residents.	4	5	0
	Generally, I recommend this strategy.	I would recommend this strategy with some modifications or more information.	l do not recommend this strategy.
Encourage <b>turnover of parking spaces</b> on the commercial corridor to increase the volume of motorists who have access to the NCD each day.	2	6	0
Build a <b>parking structure</b> near the commercial corridor to allow motorists to more easily visit the corridor.	2	4	5
Enforce meter time so people don't overstay meter time	5	3	1
Install more <b>short-term meters</b> (20 min, 30 min, 1 hour)	2	4	0
Sharing of private parking lots during "off hours"	8	1	0
Allow a <b>period of "free" meter time,</b> such as first 10 or 20 mins a vehicle is parked.	2	4	3

# **Goal:** The commercial corridor is a destiation that has a sense of place that reflects and reinforces the area's character and layered identity.

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Identify a series of <b>"nodes"</b> to create a sense of distinct places and destinations along the corridor			
Develop nodes based on <b>identifiable assets</b> in each node.			
Work with nearby businesses in the development of each node.			
Consider policies that can encourage <b>certain uses to</b> <b>concentrate</b> in each node.			
Develop <i>multi-cultural and multi-lingual</i> branding for the corridor that contains sub-brands for each node.			

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Encourage more jobs on the commercial corridor to bring opportunities to residents and bring more daily visitors to the corridor.	l support this goal/strategy	I support this goal/strategy with some modifications or information	I do not support this goal/strategy.
Support the development and expansion of institutions and programs that help entrepreneurs and small business owners.			
Business Incubator			
<b>Food Hall</b> - Food vendors can reduce costs through a shared space. Can also be a destination.			
Shared Market Space - Entrepreneurs can reduce costs through a shared space.			
<b>Co-working Space</b> - Could provide an opportunity for those who might work from home or have side-businesses.			
<i>Maker Space</i> - Provides opportunities for youth and adults to learn about making things (with technology like 3D printers or "old school" tools) and to collaborate.			
Consider permitting a greater variety of uses on the second floor, such as offices. Assess the potential demand for and impact of such uses. Develop means to connect local residents to these jobs.			

#### **Homework & Next Steps**

- Google Form
  - Your Responses
  - Read other responses
- Read links about community benefit districts, impact fees, and green benefit districts
- Schedule sub-group meeting (as needed)