What is the Transportation Element?

The Transportation Element is one component of San Francisco’s General Plan, which lays out the road map for how the City will develop in coming years. Policies and actions related to the physical environment and development in San Francisco must be consistent with the General Plan.

The Transportation Element sets policies and priorities for the safe, sustainable, and efficient movement of people and goods in San Francisco. Decisions about transportation programs and projects in San Francisco will be based on these policies and priorities. The Transportation Element will address all transportation modes and how those modes interact in the City with these key considerations in mind:

- **Achieving equitable outcomes**: How can we advance racial and social equity through transportation policies?
- **Reducing greenhouse gas emissions**: What types of transportation changes are needed for us to address climate change?
- **Matching transportation and land use**: What kinds of transportation improvements and policies should the City implement to meet housing and job growth?

This update will integrate environmental justice considerations into the General Plan consistent with Senate Bill 1000 (Leyva, 2016), Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission Resolutions to incorporate policies centered on racial and social equity into the General Plan, and be closely coordinated with the San Francisco Transportation Plan, the City’s transportation funding plan.
How the Transportation Element affects you

Whether you live, work, study in, or visit San Francisco, you use transportation to get around every day. The Transportation Element will include policies on what your travel will look like. It will cover topics such as walking, biking, transit, parking, and more.

These can be complex topics with many considerations and difficult trade-offs. It is important for the City to be coordinated on a unified set of policies so that the transportation system is developed and built in a way that reflects the needs of today and those of the future. Your input is integral to guiding the decisions that the City makes about transportation.

The Transportation Element and ConnectSF

The City has been engaging the public in a collaborative process called ConnectSF to build an effective, equitable, and sustainable transportation system for San Francisco’s future. In 2018, staff worked with residents, community-based organizations, and City agencies to create a vision of what they want San Francisco to look and feel like in 50 years, using ConnectSF’s goals as the foundation. These goals are equity, economic vitality, environmental sustainability, safety and livability, and accountability and engagement.

The vision that emerged from this yearlong effort was one of a growing, diverse, equitable city. In the area of transportation, participants envisioned a multitude of reliable transportation options that are available and affordable to all. This multi-faceted transportation system would be planned and built in a timely manner – a result of strong civic and government engagement.

The ConnectSF vision and goals will be reflected in the Transportation Element’s guiding principles. Outcomes of technical studies from ConnectSF and other transportation plans will also be integrated into the Transportation Element.

For more information about ConnectSF, please visit www.connectSF.org.

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Get involved!

Do you want to have a say on how you and your family get around or what transportation should look like in San Francisco? Get involved!

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