

WORKSHOP #1 SUMMARY



WORKSHOP INTRODUCTION

The first workshop for the Castro Street Design Project was held on Wednesday, January 23, 2013 from, 6 to 8 pm at the Eureka Valley Recreation Center. Over 150 people were in attendance. The City co-hosted the event with the Castro/Upper Market Community Benefit District, the Merchants of Upper Market and Castro, and the Eureka Valley Neighborhood Association.

Supervisor Scott Wiener began the meeting with opening remarks, followed by remarks from Mohammed Nuru, Director of the Department of Public Works; Ed Reiskin, Director of the Municipal Transportation Agency; and David Alumbaugh, Manager of the Planning Department's City Design Group.

DPW Project Manager John Dennis provided an overview of the project's scope, schedule and funding. Nick Perry, Project Lead and Urban Designer from the Planning Department, followed with an overview of existing conditions and a presentation of the draft conceptual design.

CORE DESIGN FEATURES

The following core design features for Castro Street were presented (see back page for details):

- Up to 10 feet of sidewalk widening on both sides of the street
- Maintaining parking/loading lanes on both sides of the street
- Two travel lanes (one in each direction)
- Left turn lanes at 18th Street
- New street trees, lighting, and site furnishings
- New paving



OPTIONAL DESIGN FEATURES

A variety of optional design features were also presented, including:

- Reconfiguration of crosswalks around Jane Warner Plaza
- Reconfiguration of access to westbound 17th Street
- Corner bulb-outs at Castro and 18th Streets
- Relocated 18th Street bus stops with bus bulb-outs
- Corner bulb-outs at Castro and 19th Streets
- Gateway median south of 19th Street
- Mini-plazas (mid-block bulb-outs)

Potential streetscape amenities such as landscaping, paving, and public art were also briefly discussed. More detailed discussion of these amenities and their placement will occur at the next public workshop.

COMMUNITY INPUT

Following the presentation, participants broke into small groups to provide feedback on the overall design. At the conclusion of the meeting, one person from each group summarized their group's discussion and shared their group's top priority for the street.

The community was invited to provide additional feedback via a survey distributed at the workshop and available on-line from January 23 to February 8, 2013. To date, over 100 community members have completed the survey. A summary of survey results and announcement of the next workshop date and location will be posted on the project web-site in mid-February.

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN PRESENTED AT THE WORKSHOP

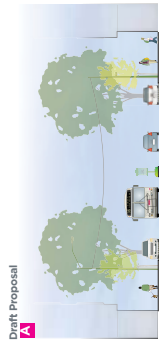
Castro Street Design Workshop #1: DRAFT CONCEPTUAL DESIGN



19th Street & Castro Street

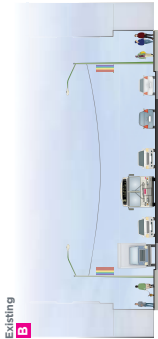


Existing A



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18th Street & Castro Street



Existing B



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Typical Mid-block



Existing C

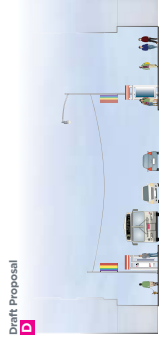


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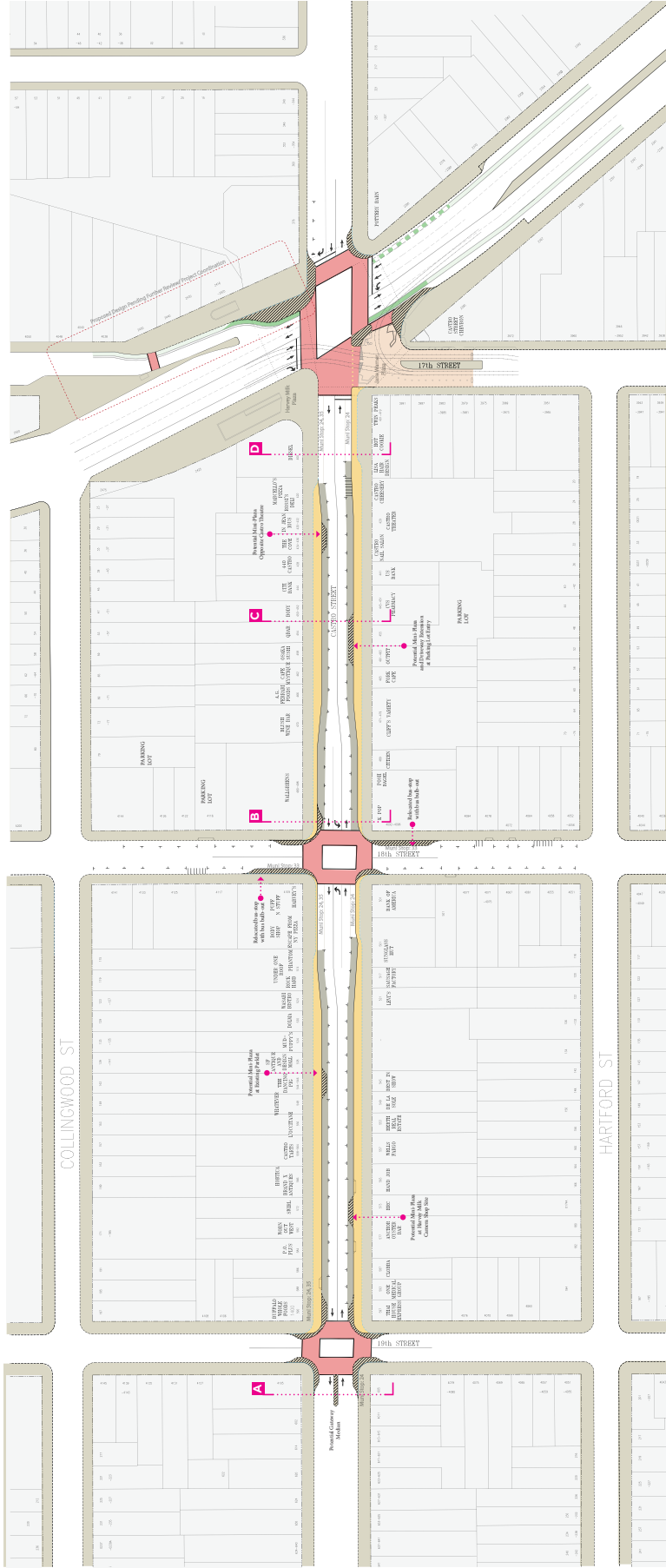
Market Street & Castro Street



Existing D



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- Potential Sidewalk Expansion Area
- Existing Sidewalk
- Optional Sidewalk Expansion
- Parking Stalls
- Crosswalks
- Improved Bike Facilities

