

WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS

COMMUNITY MEETING ON JANUARY 31, 2024; 6 – 8 PM PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

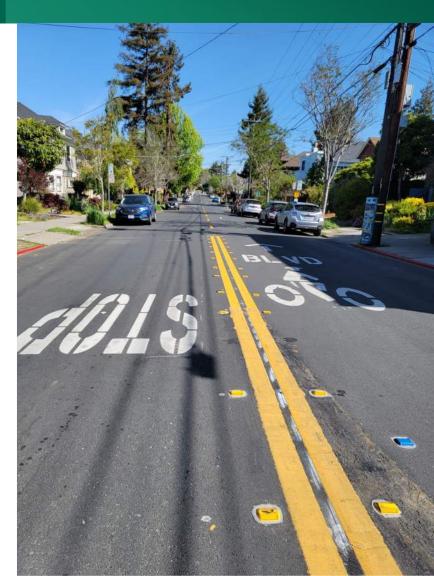
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<u>With support from:</u> Olga Rodriguez, Project Manager, City of Berkeley



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS WELCOME & AGENDA

- Introductions, Purpose, & Housekeeping
- Overview of Projects
- Review of Concept Sketches
- Public Comments & Questions



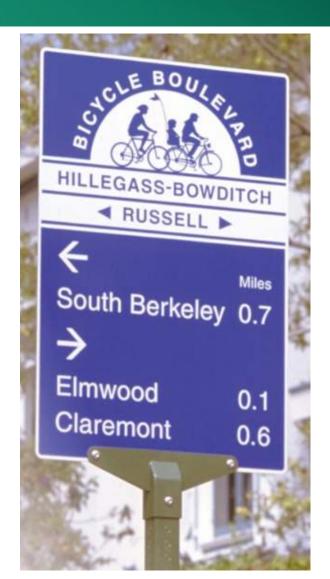


WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **INTRODUCTIONS**

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WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING**

 Explain rationale and considerations in preparing proposed concept sketches

2. Solicit input from the public to finalize the concept sketches





WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS GROUND RULES & HOUSEKEEPING

- Meeting will be recorded
- 2-hour meeting: 6 8 PM
- City will present first, then open to public comments and questions
- To speak: <u>raise hand</u>. When called upon, un-mute your microphone.



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **OVERVIEW OF PROJECTS**

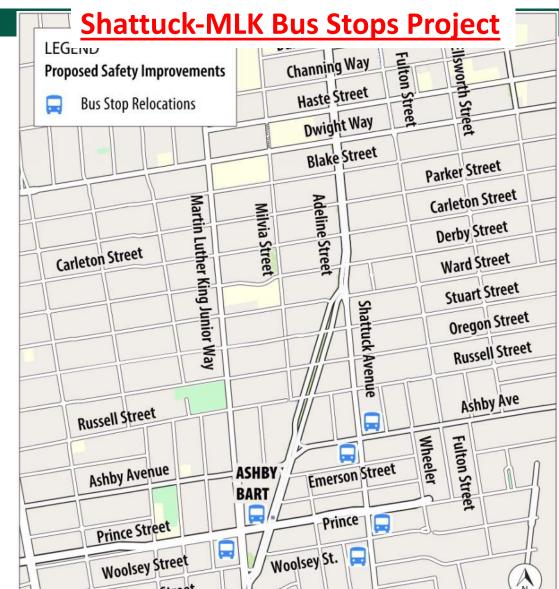
- Safety improvements for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders
- Fills gap in Citywide bike network
- Bus stop relocations to improve vehicle conflicts and sight lines
- Coordination with other projects:
 - Ashby BART bike access improvements
 - Private development projects at Woolsey/Shattuck & Ashby/Shattuck



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **OVERVIEW OF PROJECTS**

Woolsey-Fulton Bike Boulevard Project









Bicycle Boulevard



Diagonal Traffic Diverter





Traffic Circle



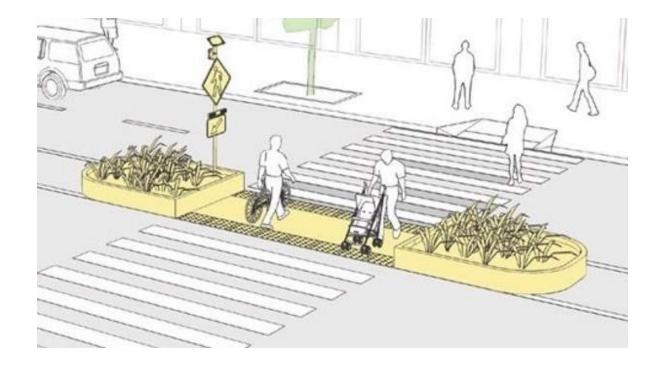
Rect Flashing

Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs)





Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (PHBs)

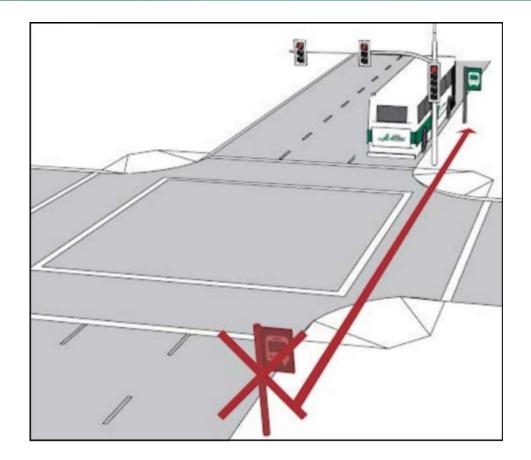


Median Improvements





Sidewalk Bulb Out



Bus Stop Relocation



Fire Department

- Minimum lane width
- Roadway clear space
- Emergency access routes
- Response times
- Vehicle turning/maneuverability

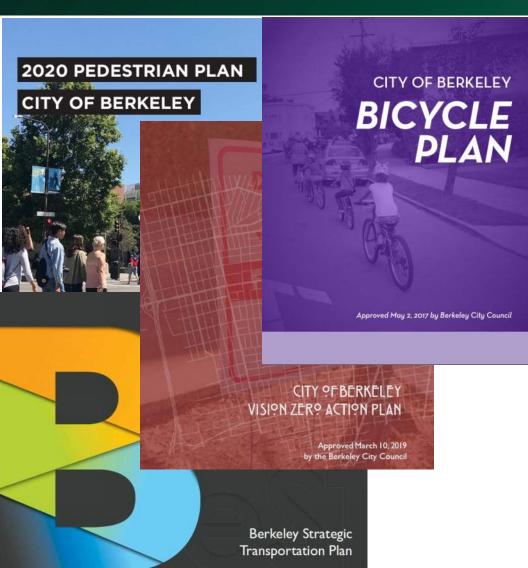
Access for other large vehicles

- AC Transit buses
- Waste collection trucks
- School buses





WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **PROJECT ORIGIN**



Project origins can be found in the City's:

- Bicycle Plan
- Pedestrian Plan
- Strategic Transportation Plan
- Vision Zero Action Plan
- Transit-First Policy



- Pedestrian and bicyclist safety improvements are generally achieved by implementing traffic calming measures (traffic circles, diverters), warning signals (RRFBs), and traffic controls (PHBs, traffic signals, and STOP signs) at intersections.
- These projects utilize the aforementioned design elements to improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders.



- \$2.612M grant from State of California Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) program
 - Linked to funding for affordable housing private developments at San Pablo/Blake and Adeline/Ashby.
- Alameda County Measures B& BB discretionary funds





Currently in Conceptual Design phase Conceptual Design Bid & Award Construction

Schedule is subject to change

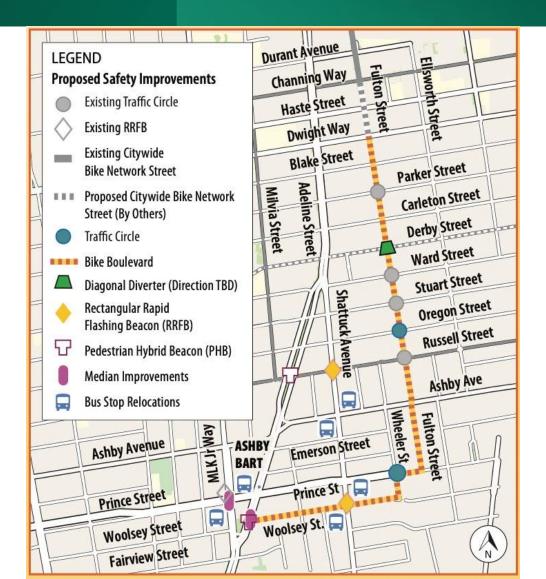
- Finalize concepts in February 2024
- City Council approval of concepts in March 2024
- Complete design by end of 2024
- Begin construction in 2025



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **PROJECTS OVERVIEW**

Map shows <u>combined</u> work:

- Woolsey-Fulton Bike Boulevard Project
- Shattuck-MLK Bus Stop
 Project





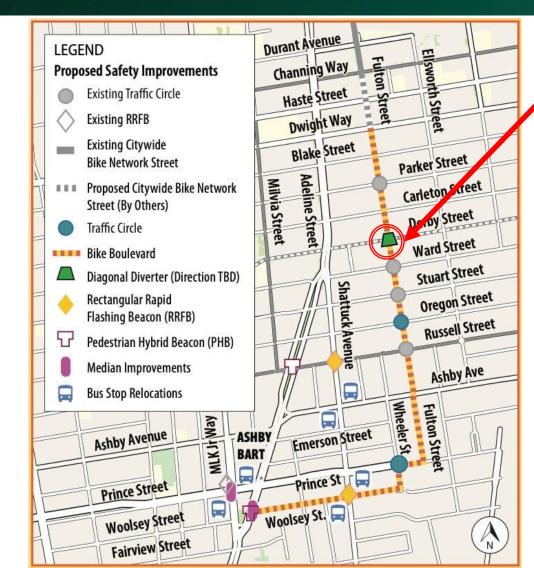
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Bike Boulevard ➢ Traffic calming Diagonal diverter (lower vehicle volumes) **O**Traffic circles Pavement markings >Wayfinding signage



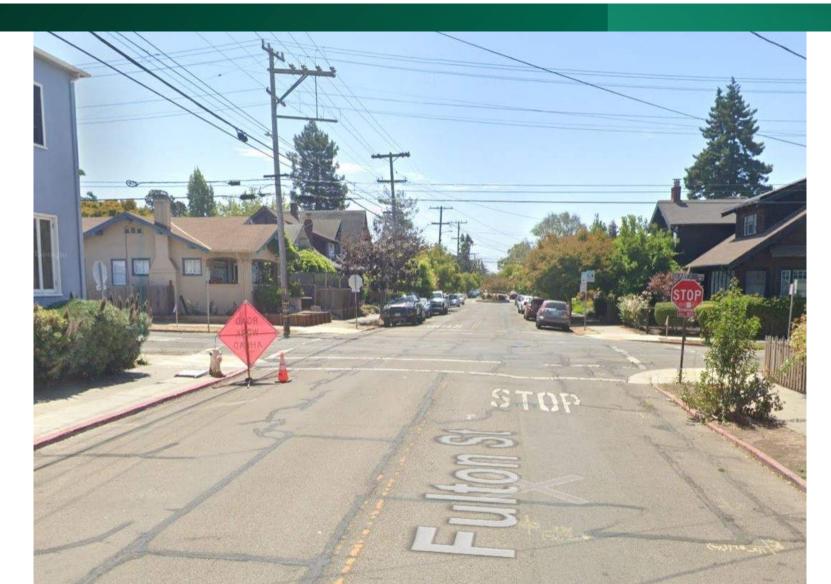
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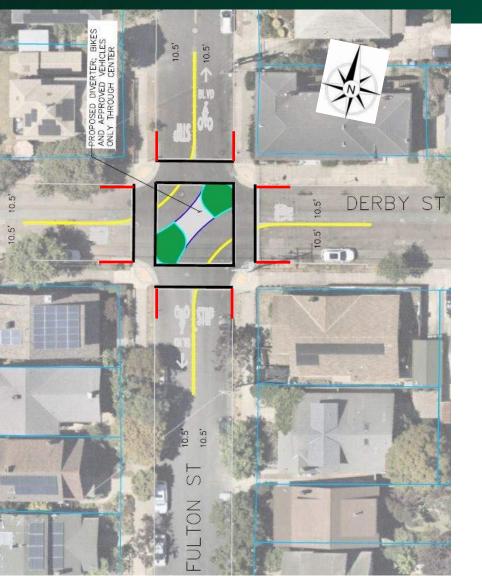
 Diagonal Diverter at Fulton/Derby intersection

- Fulton and Derby are planned
 Bike Boulevards per the Bicycle
 Plan
- Diverter recommended in Bicycle Plan
- Traffic evaluation performed

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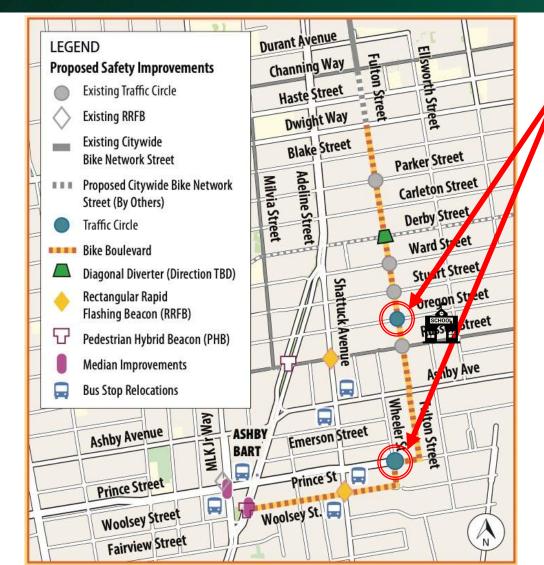
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- Diverter oriented from southwest corner to northeast corner
- Traffic analysis:
 - ➢Traffic counts
 - Strikes balance in diverting vehicles
 - Opposite orientation would divert more vehicles and imbalance vehicles volumes
 - Discourage use of Fulton as vehicle route to Sylvia Mendez Elementary School



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS FULTON STREET CORRIDOR – TRAFFIC CIRCLES

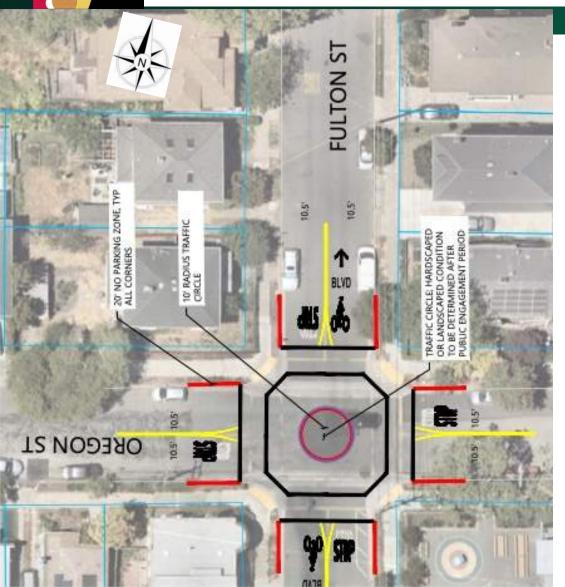


- Traffic Circles at Fulton/Oregon and Wheeler/Prince intersections
- Recommended in Bicycle Plan
- Note location of Sylvia Mendez Elementary School on map

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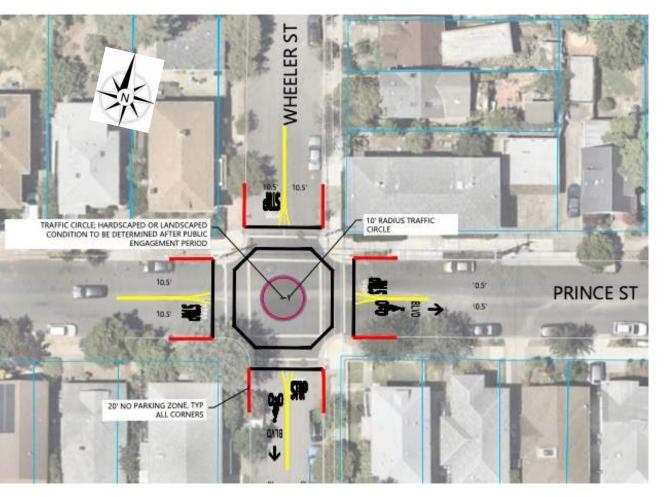


 Fulton/Oregon Traffic Circle
 Traffic calming of vehicles on school bus route to/from Sylvia Mendez Elementary School

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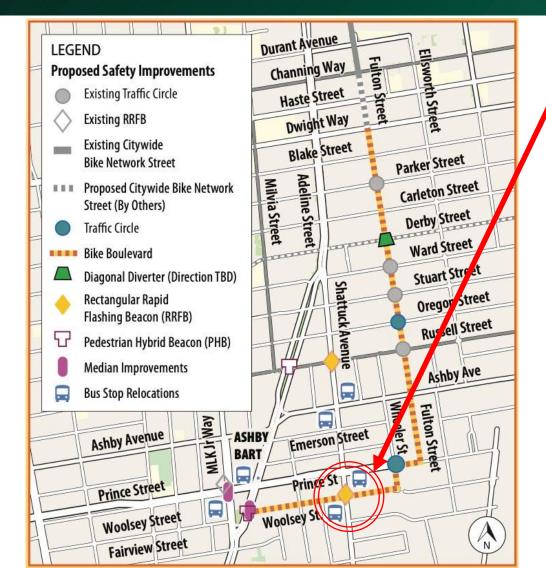
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- Wheeler/Prince Traffic
 Circle
- Prince St. is a proposed
 Bicycle Boulevard between
 Wheeler St. and Fulton St.
- Neighborhood interest in selecting and maintaining plantings in traffic circles?

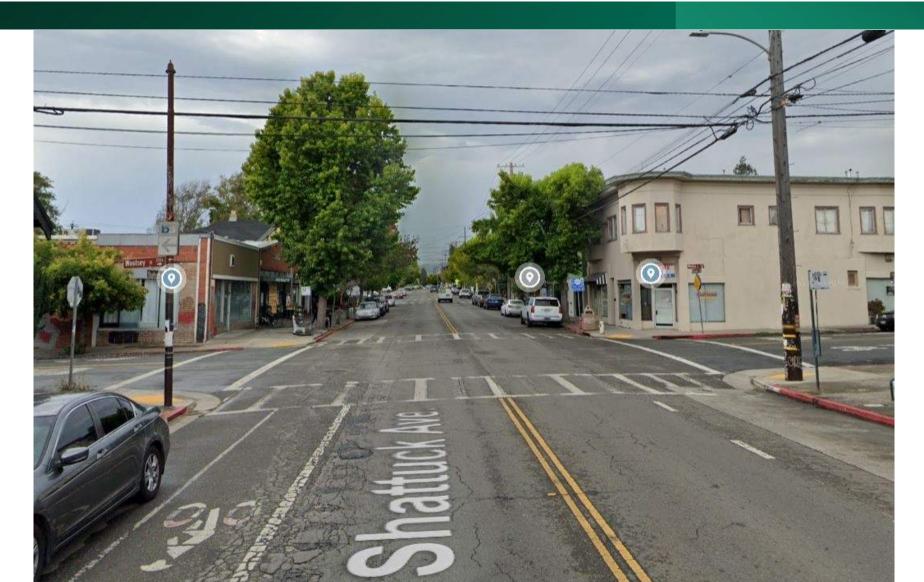


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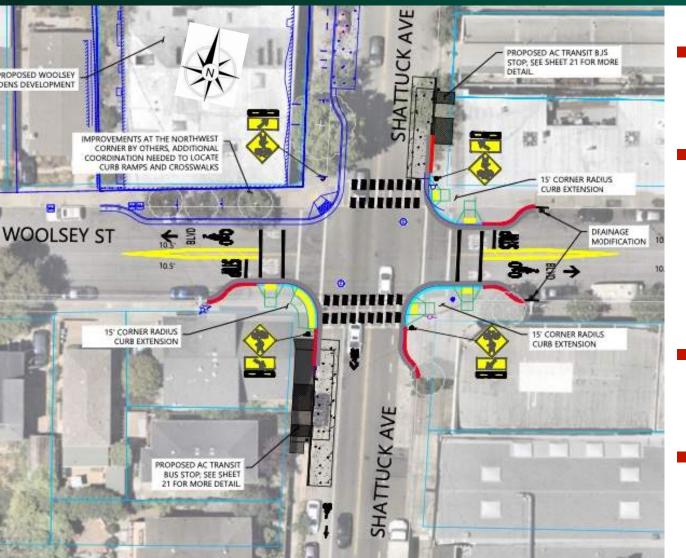
- RRFBs and sidewalk bulbouts at Woolsey/Shattuck intersection
- Woolsey St. is a proposed Bicycle Boulevard
- Bus stop relocations to far sides of intersection

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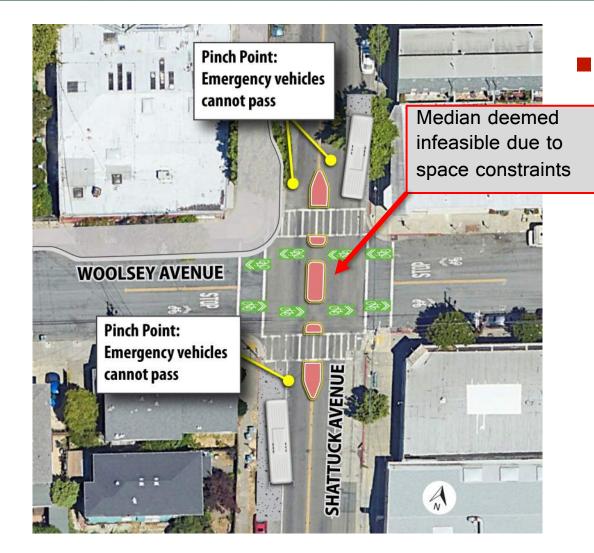
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- RRFB buttons at curb ramps and reachable by bicyclists
- Bus Stops move to far sides of intersection on Shattuck Ave.
 - Bus stop amenities TBD depending on available space
- Coordinating with development project at northwest corner
- Differs from recommendation in Bicycle Plan



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS COMPLIANCE WITH BICYCLE PLAN

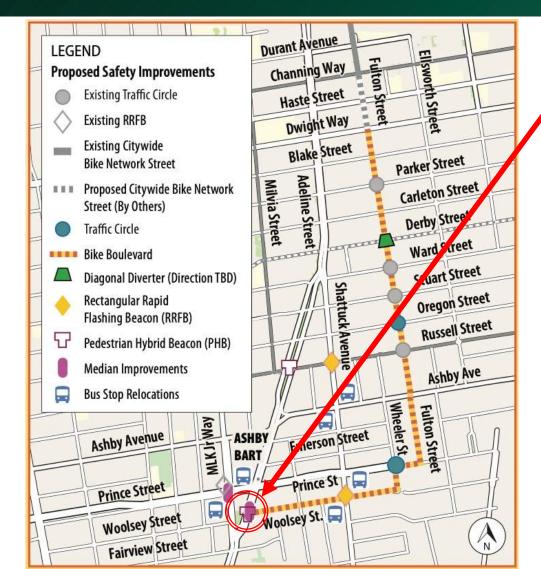


 It is infeasible to install a sufficiently wide median and in this case the Plan recommends consideration of curb extensions as a way to shorten crossing distance and improve

visibility (see page 5-14 of City of Berkeley Bike Plan)



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS WOOLSEY STREET CORRIDOR – WOOLSEY/ADELINE



- PHB and median improvements at Woolsey/Adeline intersection
- Connection to Ashby BART station
- Coordinating with upcoming BART bicycle access improvements work at Ashby station

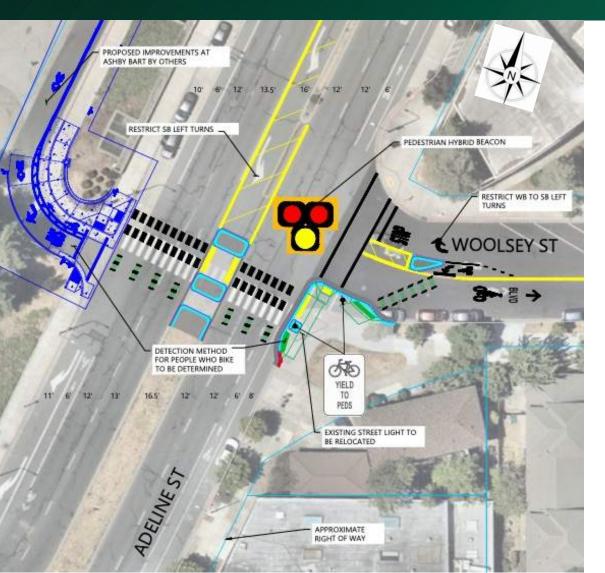


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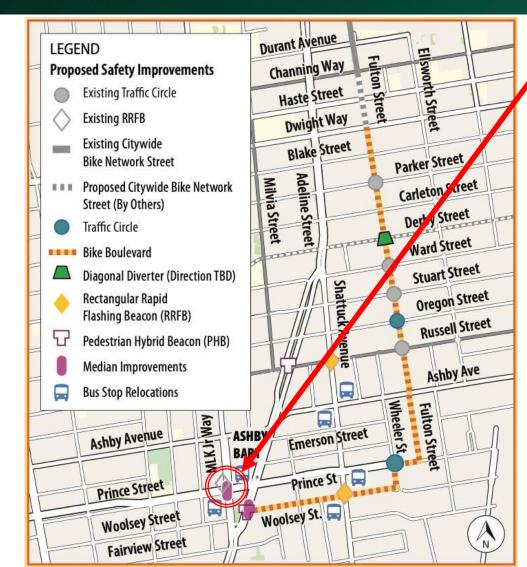
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- PHB is per recommendation in Bicycle Plan
 - Evaluated for suitability at this intersection
- Left turn restrictions on southbound Adeline and westbound Woolsey
- Separated pedestrian and bike crossing across Adeline



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **MLK/PRINCE INTERSECTION**



- Reuse existing RRFBs
- Median improvements and sidewalk bulbouts
- Connection to Ashby BART station
- Bus stop relocations to far sides of intersection

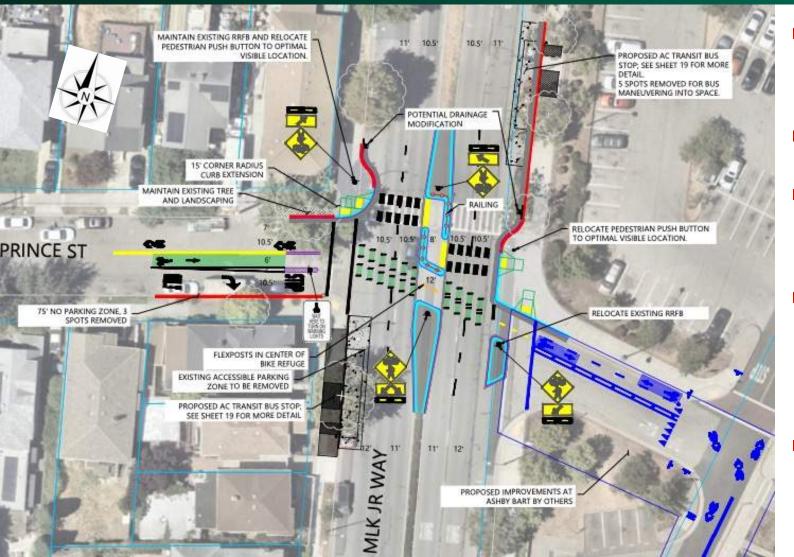


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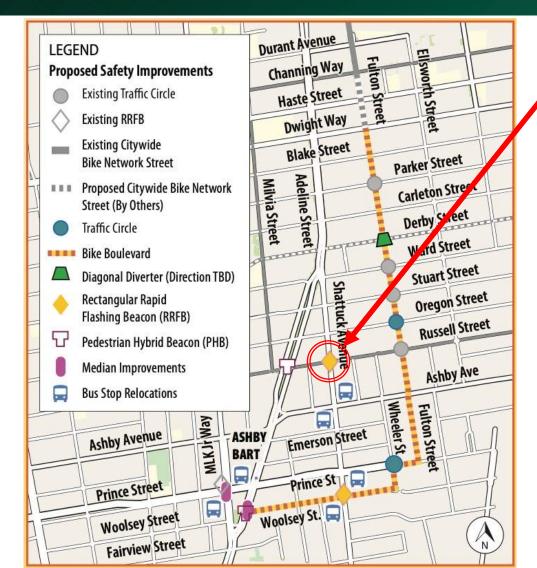
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- Widen median: pedestrian and bike refuges
- Offset crosswalk
- Sidewalk bulbouts shorten crossing distances
- Coordinating with upcoming BART access improvements at Ashby station
- Bus stop amenities TBD depending on available space



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS RUSSELL STREET CORRIDOR – RUSSELL/SHATTUCK



RRFBs and sidewalk bulbouts at Russell/Shattuck intersection

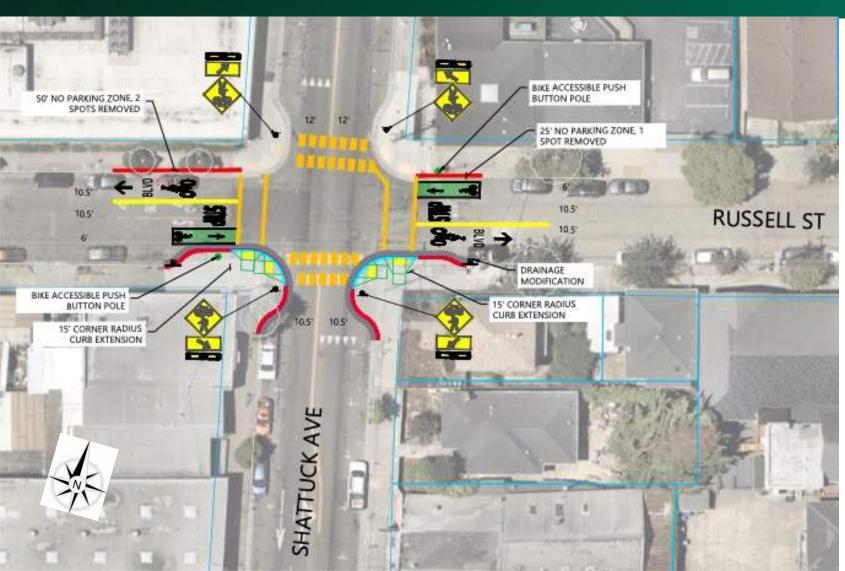
Russell St. is a Bicycle Boulevard







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- Existing curb ramps at northwest and northeast corners
- New curb ramps at southwest and southeast corners
- RRFB buttons at curb ramps and reachable by bicyclists
- Differs from recommendation in Bicycle
 Plan



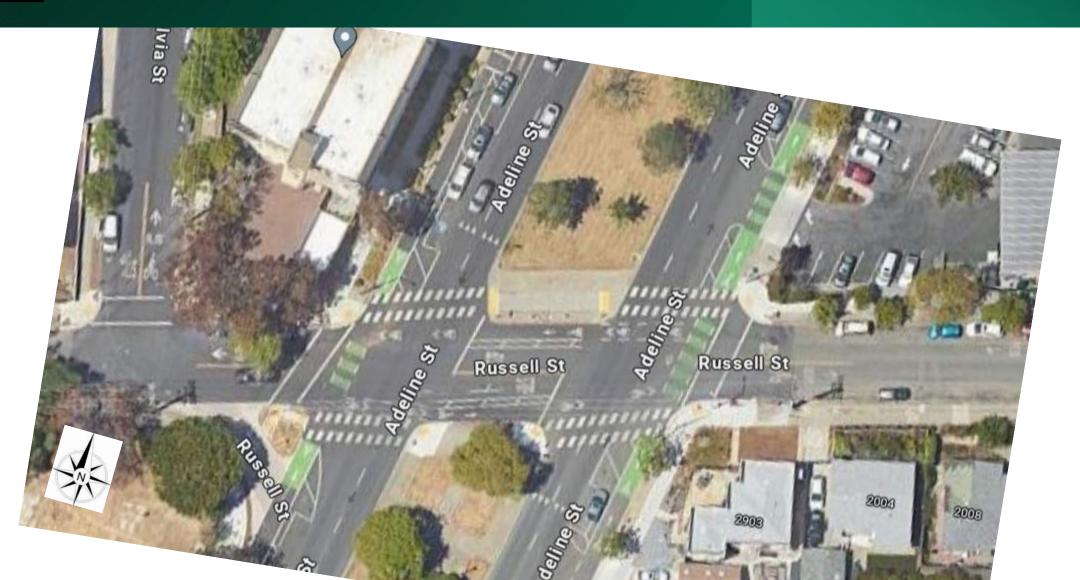
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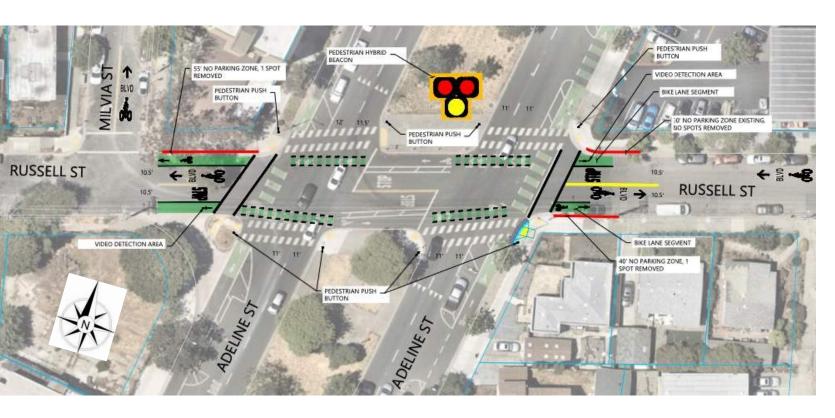
PHB at Russell/Adeline intersection

- PHB is per recommendation in Bicycle Plan
 - Evaluated for suitability at this intersection
- Russell St. is a Bicycle Boulevard

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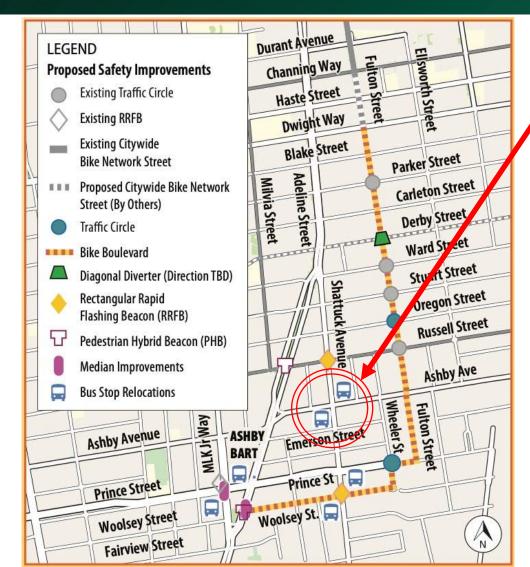
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- Install Pedestrian
 Hybrid Beacon (PHB)
- Long crossing evaluating one- vs.
 two-stage PHB activation
- Connects to Milvia
 St. Bicycle Boulevard and Adeline St. bike lanes



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Bus stop relocations to far sides of intersection

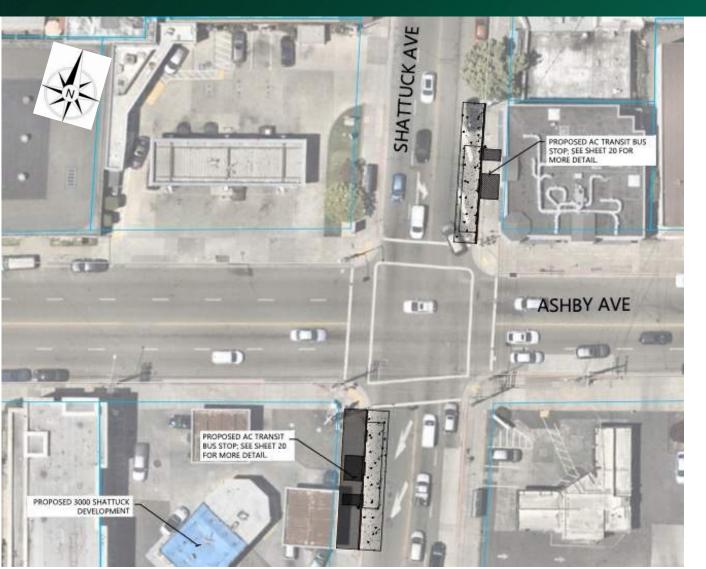


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- Coordinating with development project at southwest corner
- Bus stop amenities TBD depending on available space



- To speak: <u>raise hand (on a phone *9 to raise/lower hand)</u>.
 When called, un-mute (*6 on a phone to unmute/mute) your microphone.
- If you have a comment, please keep it on the topic of tonight's project presentation.
- Time for public comment is limited to XX.
- Additional public comments not received this evening should be sent to <u>dhoffman@parametrix.com</u> by February 14, 2024.



WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS PUBLIC COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

Submit comments by February 14, 2024 Visit the project website:

Visit the project website:



Thank You !

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