January 4, 2022



Re: Grand Avenue between Fourth Street and Second Street

Dear Resident or Property Owner:

The Department of Public Works is adding a two-way protected cycle track and sidewalk on the east side of Grand Avenue from Fourth Street to Second Street, meeting goals outlined in the City's <u>Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan</u> (BPMP). This project brings many benefits to bicyclists and pedestrians traveling through the area and maintains vehicle travel lanes, but it would impact some on-street parking and existing driveways.

Below is a cross-section of existing versus proposed on Grand Avenue between Second and Third Streets. The separated bike facility would continue to Fourth Street.

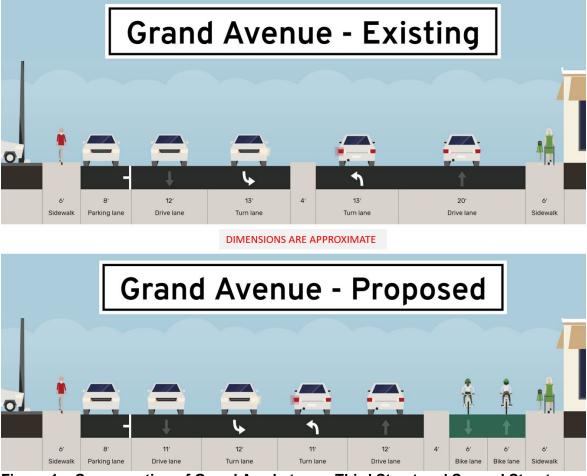


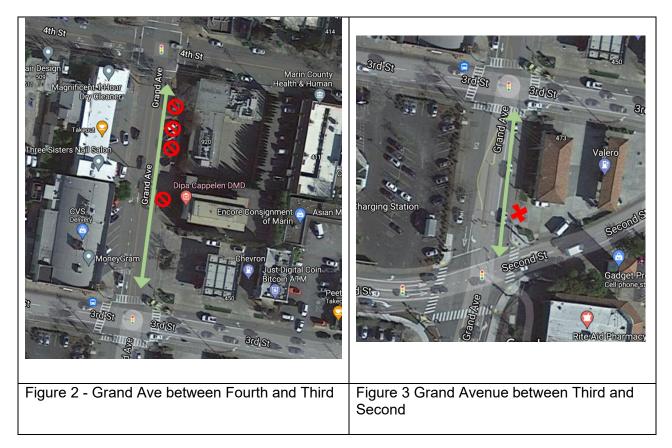
Figure 1 – Cross-section of Grand Ave between Third Street and Second Street

Currently, Grand Avenue between Fourth Street and Third Street is one travel lane in each direction with some driveways and on-street parking on both sides. The on-street parking would remain in the southbound direction, but six on-street spaces would be eliminated in the northbound direction.

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Grand Avenue between Third Street and Second Street is one travel lane with a turn pocket and on-street parking southbound and two travel lanes northbound, separated by a concrete median. There is also a driveway just north of Second Street that provides access to the gas station on the northeast corner of Second Street/Grand Avenue. The gas station currently has five driveways: one on Grand Avenue, two on Second Street, and two on Third Street. The existing median would be removed, and the travel lanes would all be shifted to the west. The driveway on Grand Avenue would be eliminated as part of the cycle track improvements to eliminate a conflict point close to an intersection. Figures 2 and 3 below show the two-way cycle track to be added (green) and the parking spaces (red circles) and driveway (red X) to be eliminated.



The City appreciates your understanding with this project, to be constructed Summer 2022. The project webpage (<u>https://www.cityofsanrafael.org/grand-ave-cycle-track/</u>) will be updated as the project progresses. If you have any additional questions or wish to discuss this with me further, please do not hesitate to reach out by email <u>lauren.davini@cityofsanrafael.org</u> or calling (415) 485-3361.

Sincerely,

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