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Subject: Follow up Bay through Park

Neighbors

This is our main school route and the primary arterial through the lower village. Bay/Hill, Bay/ Capitola, and pretty much all of Park are quite dangerous. A rail trail through the Lower Village on Sharrows won't help matters.

Bay/Hill needs permanent calming. Raised crosswalks. Real curb bulb outs. Less conflicts and a forced right turn into Nob Hill minimum. This is a cheap date.

Bay/Capitola needs a roundabout. State will pay. We already invested a bunch. That intersection screams roundabout. We'll prob get an award for it.

The goal should be wider sidewalks. Bollards everywhere (like Gayle's parking lot and building has). Shorter crossings.

And then comes Class IV bike lanes on all major routes. Protected and Connected bike lanes show true demand. Solves the e-bike thing a little too. Folks always so worried about that one.

But the real key is always slowing the cars down. Park is a drag track with a roller coaster used by commuters and zoom zoomers and kids. Let's slow it down with a median. We will get that paid for too by RTC.

Be smart. Make the city livable for residents. Solve the demo crisis. Solves the budget one.

Warmly JM