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From : "Sarah Burke" sarah@sarahburkedesign.com
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Subject : Open the Great Highway

I want to voice my support to open back up the Great Highway during the week to allow working people better access to get across the city. I live in the Portola district and I and many neighbors I have talked to use the Great Highway to get -- literally -- around the city.

It's an okay idea to keep the Highway closed during the weekend but we need to consider people who have to commute to and through the city for work during the week. We live in a busy city, and there are already many recreation options around the Great Highway. Closing the Great Highway during working times has added unnecessary traffic and stress and it's only going to get worse.

Please vote to reopen the Great Highway during the week.

Thank you for your public service,

Sarah Burke

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Date : 7/27/2021 7:46:28 AM
From : "Peter Griffith" peteg415@gmail.com
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Subject : Open the Great Highway

Open the Great Highway. At this point opinions of persons who do not live in the immediate area should not be considered as they are not detrimentally affected as we are.

Peter Griffith
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Date : 7/26/2021 10:44:08 PM

From : "Maddie Bass" madsheldon1@gmail.com

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Subject : Please keep Public comments as permanent record on 7-27-21

Please open the Great Hwy and the neighboring streets. The present condition is not working.

Please increase public transportation to decrease cars. Improve pathways on the Great Hwy for biking and walking. It is more dangerous the way it is. We have sidewalks all over town.

My home at 41st and Kirkham has no thoroughfare.

San Francisco was known for its great transportation.

Please do not add any more street restrictions.

Sincerely,

Madeleine Bass

Date : 7/26/2021 9:22:30 PM

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Subject : Public Comment for SFCTA meeting 27JUL2021

Dear Supervisors:

As a lifelong resident of the Sunset with limited mobility, I object strongly to the outreach efforts. No where were the views of the disabled and non ambulatory solicited and evaluated. Certainly this flies in the face of ADA requirements and opens the door to litagation. For those many of us who rely on autos for an enjoyment of the Pacific this hasty, and seemingly amateurish, survey seems unconscionable. The Bicycle Coalition might be powerful, but activists who champion the rights of those who depend on ADA for full partipation in society are equally forceful. Open the Great Highway. Do not deprive us of the Pacific Ocean.

Nancy Murphy

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Thank you.

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

Date : 7/27/2021 7:48:12 AM
From : "'geoffrey moore' via Clerk" clerk@sfcta.org
To : "clerk@sfcta.org" clerk@sfcta.org
Subject : Public comment

Hello, I would like to enter a comment into the public record for today's meeting. I believe that further review is needed before any decisions are made about closed streets, including a comprehensive review by safety and emergency response officials about response times, routes, and congestion. I also would like a separate review with respect to the closure of the Upper Great Highway insofar as that road is located in the city's flood and tsunami zone, and listed on evacuation routes. I believe it is criminally negligent to leave this road closed permanently to motor vehicles, and am disappointed that a comprehensive review has not been conducted and publicized about earthquake and tsunami considerations. I would however be in favor of periodic closures to cars - for example, on holidays, Sundays, spare-the-air days, and perhaps even off-rush-hour. The road should be budgeted and managed properly as a public resource with greatest possible use at all times for all purposes.

Thank you,
Geoff Moore

Date : 7/26/2021 9:11:21 PM

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Subject : Public Comment for SFCTA meeting July 27, 2021 - disapprove
agenda items 5, 8 and 10

Dear Supervisors:

Please do not accept the D4 Mobility Study for the Sunset until the recommendations for the biking-prioritized number of streets is reduced from nine to a reasonable number. D4's statistics reveal that 89% of Sunset residents prefer and need to use their cars for driving alone or carpooling, while only 2.2% of residents ride bikes. Modifying nine streets to prioritize biking does not make sense when bike usage is so low.

Also, the number of survey respondents answering a form survey about transit use was only 287 for an online survey done in the spring, along with only 175 people attending a zoom meeting (some of whom may include the 287), and two meetings with Chinese speakers. This 287 is an inadequate number upon which to base any plans for changing the traffic patterns in a district. Throughout the entire process of closing the UGH and residential streets, the outreach has been abysmal and almost non-existent for a district population of 85,000 people.

In addition, please do not approve Prop K funds for continued studies.

The Upper Great Highway should be opened ASAP.

The petition to reopen it has almost 11,000 signatures – 38 times the number of people who answered the survey.

<https://www.change.org/p/residents-of-san-francisco-open-the-great-highway>

Closing the upper Great Highway is sheer hypocrisy with respect to Vision Zero. 18,000 to 20,000 cars daily have been diverted onto the streets of the Richmond, and most of all the Sunset. The neighborhood streets have not been designed to handle this volume of traffic.

Read Quentin Kopp's recent piece in the Westside Observer about the Great Highway:

<https://westsideobserver.com/news/quentin.html#jul21a>

Sincerely

Howard Chabner

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In addition, please do not approve the study or the \$274,600 of Prop K funds for continued studies until the residents of the Sunset are given a reasonable and adequate opportunity to submit their opinions and for those opinions to be analyzed. It is time that We the People of the Sunset and other districts be given due process and a hearing instead of being ignored.

Thank you.

Please do NOT do this asinine pilot study. You've already conducted a study during the pandemic. People who are most affected in the Richmond District and Sunset District have spoken clearly and they do NOT WANT THIS!!! OPEN THE GREAT HIGHWAY NOW. IT SERVES AS AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE FOR MANY RESIDENTS, COMMUTERS, AND DISABLED PEOPLE WHO NEED ACCESS TO THE POMEROY CENTER FOR THE HANDICAPPED.

PLEASE RECONSIDER!! ENOUGH ALREADY WITH MORE STUDIES!!
PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN. GORDON MARY'S ACTIONS ARE CAUSING
SIGNIFICANT STRIFE BETWEEN NEIGHBORS. OPEN THE GREAT
HIGHWAY NOW!!!!

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