

# Short term bicycle parking and raising bridge tolls

Christina Shih Comcast <christinashih@comcast.net> To: Transportation Authority <clerk@sfcta.org>

Sat, Jul 22, 2023 at 6:11 AM

The SFMTA continues to cater to the needs of the smallest percentage of residents using bicycles as their primary mode of transportation rather than the majority of residents using cars, public transportation or walking as their primary mode of transportation. This obvious bias is resulting in more and more distrust of the SFMTA since it now appears to be infiltrated by road closure advocates and activists like KID Safe and the Bicycle Coalition.

Looking at Vision Zero statistics and the SFMTA's own primary mode of transportation studies all these efforts to encourage bicycling by closing roads, speed bumps, taking away traffic lanes and street parking has not increased bicycling nor decreased traffic injuries significantly over the past few years. I actually read in detail the 2023 pedestrian fatality incidents in SF and most of the fatalities have occurred when pedestrians fail to obey traffic laws (jay walking, crossing on a red) or in the course of other crimes where a crime has been committed like auto theft, car hijacking, break-ins and the speeding car causes accidents/injuries. The most recent highly publicized death was the collision between a pedestrian and scooter, presumably an e scooter.

You are now spending more on short term bicycle parking than street repair equipment, taxi infrastructure and the support of e vehicles to encourage people to shift to non combustion vehicles.

You've already gotten one wake up call regarding continued support by the majority of San Franciscans in not supporting the SFTMA requests for funding.

Stop the insanity of repeating the same actions over and over again expecting different results.

Christina Shih Richmond Resident



### Please use this letter

Patricia Arack <parack@ccsf.edu> To: Elijah Saunders <elijah.saunders@sfcta.org> Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 9:39 AM

Dear Mr. SAUNDERS:

I had the wrong amount would you use this letter instead of the one I sent an hour ago.?

Dear SFMTA BOARD:

I disapprove of your Expenditure of approximately \$423,000 for bike storage. Once again you are throwing huge sums of taxpayer money on a small 3% of the population that rides bikes. Last year at this time you spent approx. \$840, 0000 on bike racks. When will you start funding charging stations for EVs? It is a fantasy to expect people to all ride bikes. Start funding transit and EVs instead of bike riding.

Patricia Arack Resident D4

Patricia Arack



## Tuesday, July 25th board meeting

Tony Villa <tvobsf@gmail.com> To: Transportation Authority <clerk@sfcta.org> Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 12:32 PM

Dear SFCTA Board Members,

Statistics show that crime, open drug use, lack of law enforcement, and homelessness are chasing away tourists and businesses from San Francisco.

It is ridiculous to spend more on bicycle parking than on street repair and cleaning equipment. World news reports spotlight how filthy San Francisco has become.

Only 2% of San Francisco residents use bicycles as transportation. In general, tourists that spend money eating, drinking and shopping, and stay in hotels do not arrive by bicycle.

Clean up pollution! Studies all show that the best way to reduce smog and air quality is by switching to electric vehicles.

San Francisco needs more charging stations than bicycle parking.

San Francisco needs more car parking than bicycle parking. Tourists are the lifeblood of our economy!

No bridge toll increases. The state is wasting money on frivolous projects. Office buildings and commercial areas downtown are empty. Increased bridge tolls will only hurt our tourism industry and drive out potential companies and office workers. Many of our tourists come from the surrounding counties that drive into the city. Those people are no longer coming, making our economy even worse.

Bicycle racks make it more inviting and easier for thieves to steal bicycles of any value. Ask any law enforcement officer.

Fix it! Muni is inefficient, poorly run and outright scary.

Thank you,

Anthony C Villa District 4



# **Budget**

Teri Shaw <terishaw1040sf@gmail.com>

Tue, Jul 25, 2023 at 5:48 AM

To: clerk@sfcta.org

Please do not divert funds to short term bike parking. You are doing everything possible to prioritize bikers which represent less than 10% of the population over families with children, people who drive for a living, seniors and mobility

Teresa Shaw

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Sent from my iPhone