NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS INCLUDED IN THE BICYCLE SAFETY STUDY FOR THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District) will hold a Public Hearing to receive public comment, as follows:

Monday, October 18, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Audio Conference Only (415) 569-6446 and (415) 636-8761

The District has a goal of maximizing alternative modes of transportation such as bicycling while promoting the safety of people who use the Golden Gate Bridge for transportation, tourism, and recreation. In support of these goals and in recognition of the increased popularity of electric bicycles (E-bikes), staff has been reviewing the District's bicycle safety policies, and current conditions for bicyclists and pedestrians at the Bridge.

As part of its efforts, the District conducted a *Bicycle Safety Study for the Golden Gate Bridge* (Study) in collaboration with Alta Planning + Design (Alta) that was published in October 2020. The Study team collected data on Bridge sidewalk conditions, and looked for opportunities to increase bicycle and pedestrian safety while ensuring maximum utility and accommodation for bicycling on the Bridge for commute and recreational travel. As part of this effort, staff has engaged with the local bicycle community and vendors of bike share and bike rentals for feedback and recommendations during the process. Staff presented the Study to the Board of Directors' Building and Operating Committee on February 25, 2021.

The District and Alta will continue the public outreach process about the recommended actions in the Study through:

- A virtual open house from Monday, September 27 to Friday, October 8, 2021; and
- A workshop on Wednesday, October 6, 2021.

At these events, the District and its consultant will outline key findings and Study recommendations, and seek public input regarding safety recommendations. Additional information about the District's public outreach activities are outlined in the staff report for the Building and Operating Committee meeting of Thursday, September 23, 2021.

The District's public outreach will culminate in a refined and specific set of recommendations to be presented for public comment at a Public Hearing with the Board of Directors on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The refined recommendations will address:

- Speed limits for the Bridge sidewalks;
- Signage and pavement marking plans for the Bridge sidewalks and approaches;
- Master Ordinance provisions regarding electric bicycle usage on the Bridge; and
- Restrictions on user groups and devices.

For additional information regarding the *Golden Gate Bridge Bicycle Safety Study* recommendations, see the staff report and agendas on the District's website at https://www.goldengate.org/district/board-of-directors/meeting-documents. In addition, you may request the information and documents by contacting the Secretary of the District by email at districtsecretary@goldengate.org, by phone at (415) 923-2223, by fax at 415-923-2013, by mail at the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District, P.O. Box 29000, Presidio Station, San Francisco, CA, 94129-9000, or by using TDD California Relay Service at 711.

Please note that most printed materials and handouts are available in Spanish as well as English as per the District's Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan.

Public comments will be received at the Public Hearing, or may be presented in writing to the Secretary of the District at the above address. Comments may also be sent by email to publichearing@goldengate.org. Written comments should be received no later than Monday, October 18, 2021, at 4:30 p.m.

To request special assistance due to a disability at this Public Hearing, please call the District Secretary's Office at (415) 923-2223 three days before the hearing date.

/s/ Amorette M. Ko-Wong, Secretary of the District Dated: September 28, 2021