#### Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco Board of Trustees

#### Tuesday, February 8, 2022 4:30 pm

#### **DRAFT MINUTES**

Zoom Meeting held by Teleconference Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953 and the Forty-First Supplement to Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency.

During the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) emergency, FAMSF Board's regular meeting rooms are closed. Trustees, Staff and Members of the Public convene remotely.

#### Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, January 18 by Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 4:40 pm by Diane B. Wilsey, Chair Emerita.

**Calling of the Roll** – Megan Bourne, Chief of Staff and Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees

#### **Trustees Present on Zoom**

Carol Bonnie

Jack Calhoun

Katherine Harbin Clammer

David Fraze

Wheeler Griffith

Cynthia Gunn

Lauren Hall

**Lucy Hamilton** 

Holly Johnson Harris

Yasunobu Kyogoku

Kathryn Lasater

Bryan Meehan

Jason Moment, President

Carl Pascarella

**David Spencer** 

Lisa Zanze

Diane B. Wilsey, Chair Emerita

#### **Trustees Unable to Attend**

Janet Barnes

Juliet de Baubigny

**David Chung** 

Frankie Gillette

Gretchen Kimball

Heather Preston

Lisa Sardegna

Richard H. Scheller, PhD

Jeana Toney

David Wadhwani

#### **Corporation of the Fine Arts Museums Trustees Present**

Lynn Anderson Poole

Alexandria Ashdown

Stanlee Gatti

Massimiliana Boyer

Glynn

William R. Hearst III

Rebecca Reeve

Henderson

David Shimmon

**David Soward** 

Mariana Gantus Wall

AB 361 Legislation Impact Discussion and Possible Action - Jason Moment, President

Discussion and possible motion to adopt a resolution setting forth findings required under Assembly Bill 361 that would allow the Fine Arts Museums Board of Trustees to hold meetings remotely according to the modified Brown Act teleconferencing set forth in AB 361. (See Appendix A – Draft Resolution).

On motion, duly seconded, the Board approved the resolution. There was no discussion among the Trustees, and there was no public comment.

#### Approval of Minutes – Diane B. Wilsey, Chair Emerita

Diane B. Wilsey called for approval of minutes. Upon motion, duly second there was no discussion among Trustees. There was no comment from the public. The minutes of the December 7, 2021 and January 18, 2022 meetings of the Board of Trustees, having been delivered in advance to all trustees, were unanimously approved.

#### **Report of the President** – Jason Moment, President

Jason Moment gave no report and immediately called on Ana Flores, Deputy City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney to report on Trustee Filings (Sunshine Ordinance, SEI-California Form 700, Certificate of Ethics Training) due April 1, 2022

Deputy City Attorney Flores gave a summary review of Trustee obligations to file their Sunshine Ordinance Declaration, Statement of Economic Interests and Certificate of Ethics Training by April 1, 2022.

There was no discussion among Trustees. There was no comment from the public.

#### **Report of the Acquisitions Committee**

President Moment called on William R. Hearst, Fine Arts Museums Foundation Acquisitions Committee Chair to present on the report of the February 2022 Acquisitions Committee.

Mr. Hearst recommended the FAMSF Board approve the report of the Acquisitions Committee and accept 2 purchases and 241 gifts. The full report of the Acquisitions Committee is attached as Appendix 1.

On motion, duly seconded, the Board approved the report, and accepted the gifts and purchases. There was no discussion among the Trustees, and there was no public comment.

#### Report on Museum Programs – Thomas P. Campbell, Director and CEO

Director Campbell called on Lauren Palmor, Assistant Curator, American Art to present on *Alice Neel: People Come First*.

Report on the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, Budget Hearing – Jason Seifer, CFO

#### Fine Arts Museums Budget Hearing

- Budget process legislation requires greater transparency and public input in budget process. (Ordinance No. 191072)
- Legislation signed by Mayor Breed on Dec 20, 2019
- Requires two public meetings during development of budget.
  - o Public Meeting #1: Jan 18, 2022; Public Meeting #2: Feb 8, 2022
- Share budget priorities and allow feedback from members of the Public (up to two minutes from each member of the Public)
- Centralization of all budget documents on single website coordinated by Controller's Office

#### CCSF FY23 Budget Overview

- Exiting Historic Budget Shortfalls: Rapid Financial Improvement
- Two-Year Surplus Projection of \$108M
- FY23 Surplus of \$26M and FY24 Surplus of \$82M
- Key drivers of Surplus:
  - Overall revenue growth with new sources: Excess ERAF, Federal Relief, Taxes
  - Significant ongoing savings in retirement due to record returns
  - Constrained ongoing cost growth

#### CCSF FY23 Budget: Mayoral Guidelines

- Mayoral Priorities:
  - o Restoring vibrancy in SF, including improved public safety and street conditions
  - o Recovery of the local economy: Return of tourists/office workers; small biz
  - o Reprioritization of funding to improve core service delivery
  - o Accountability & equity in programming, services and spending
- Get "back to basics" with a focus on core service delivery
- Focus on programs that produce meaningful, equitable results
- No Mandatory reductions, but no increase to General Fund support

#### CCSF FY23 Budget: Key Dates

- Jan 14: COIT and Capital Budget Requests
- Jan 18: FAM Public Meeting #1 FY23 Budget presentation
- Feb 8: FAM Public Meeting #2 FY23 Budget presentation
- Feb 22: FAM Budget due to Mayor's Office
- June 1: Mayor's Budget to Board of Supervisors
- June/July: Board of Supervisor hearings and approval
- August 1: Mayor Signs Budget

#### Fine Arts Museums Budget Overview

Department was formed in 1972 with merger of de Young and Legion of Honor Museums

 Provide a rich and diversified experience of art and culture for Bay Area, Northern California and tourist audiences.

#### **Departmental Service Support**

- Security Services
- Facility Maintenance
- Capital Improvements
- Administering public entry

Fine Art Museums (FAM) City Department Budget General Fund Only (excludes Admissions Fund) FY23 Base Budget vs FY22 Approved Budget (\$ in thousands)

- FY23 Staffing expense higher salary offset by lower pension costs. No new positions in base budget.
- FY23 Utilities, Insurance, Capital are based on FY22 balance and will be reviewed by respective departments.

	Base Budget FY23	% of FY23 Budget	Approved Budget FY22	% of FY22 Budget	Variance to FY22 Budget
Staffing (primarily security)	14,452	78%	14,251	78%	201
Utilities	1,730	9%	1,730	9%	-
Art and Property Insurance	1,629	9%	1,629	9%	-
Buildings Service Contracts	348	2%	348	2%	-
Other expense	<u>343</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>(66)</u>
Total Expenses	18,503	100%	18,367	100%	135
Capital Expenditures	<u>1,020</u>		<u>1,400</u>		(380)
Total Spending	19,524		<u>19,767</u>		(245)

Fine Art Museums (FAM) City Department Budget Admissions Fund Only (excludes General Fund) FY23 Base Budget vs FY23 Approved Budget

#### (\$ in thousands)

	Base Budget FY23	Approved Budget FY22	Variance to FY22 Budget
Salary and Benefits	982	972	10
City Indirect Cost Reimbursement	65	65	-
Other expense	2	2	-
Reimbursement to COFAM	Ξ	1	=
Total Expenses	1,049	1,039	10

- Special Revenue Fund in City Charter.
- Funded by COFAM General Admission Revenue.
- 9 Admission Attendants
- No significant changes between years.

#### FY 23 Budgeted Employees

#### General Fund

- Total Salary and Benefits: \$14,452,000
- 94 Full Time Positions
  - o Security Management 9 Positions

  - Security Staff 65 Positions
     Building Engineers 10 Positions
  - Curatorial and Collections 5 Positions
     Administrative 5 Positions

#### **Admissions Fund**

- Total Salary and Benefits: \$982,000
- Funded by General Admission revenue from COFAM
- 9 Full Time Admission Attendants

#### FY23 Request for New Positions

- Mayor's Budget Office has said no new positions can be proposed.
- FAM lost 4 Security Guard positions (\$500,000) during the FY21 Budget Reductions.
- Numerous operational challenges in protecting City assets.
- FAM will advocate for reinstatement of these roles now that the Museums are fully operational again.

#### Main Impacts of Fewer Security Guards

- Reduced visitor access to Galleries.
- Heightened risk of damage to art collection and the Buildings.
- Higher potential for negative impacts to visitor safety.
- Greater staff burnout due to excessive Overtime shifts.
- Increased budget costs from overtime and part-time staff receiving full benefits.

#### Capital and COIT Improvement Requests

Capital Improvement requests in FY23 total over \$5M but available funding is unknown.

#### **Key Requests (Priority 1)**

- 1. LOH Masonry Restoration \$500,000
- 2. LOH Security Upgrades \$350,000
- 3. LOH Laylight Shades \$500,000
- 4. de Young Chiller Overhaul \$300,000
- 5. LOH Main Entrance Doors \$150,000
- 6. de Young Tower Corrosion Multiyear coordination with City Staff

#### Proposed Budget Changes

Mayor has proposed <u>no Mandatory reductions</u>, but no increase to General Fund support

#### Reviewing Expenditures For Reallocations Within Current Budget

- Security Guard Add-back of 4 positions (\$500,000) to pre-Covid levels
- Few options to reallocate budget as most FAM expenditures are payroll and benefits or Museum operating expenditures (Utilities and Insurance).

#### Report of the CFO – Jason Seifer, CFO

Fine Art Museums (FAM) City Department Budget General Fund Only (excludes Admissions Fund) FY22 Approved Budget vs FY21 Approved Budget (\$ in thousands)

- Thru Dec 31, overall FY22 actual expenses are within budget.
- Security and Engineering staffing shortage. 4 fewer security positions due to C19 cutbacks.
- Higher OT and on-call expense.
- Seeking increased headcount to pre-COVID level in FY23.

	Approved Budget FY22	% of FY22 Budget	Approved Budget FY21	% of FY21 Budget	Variance to FY21 Budget
Staffing (primarily security)	14,251	78%	13,194	79%	1,057
Utilities	1,730	9%	1,498	9%	232
Art and Property Insurance	1,629	9%	1,421	8%	208
Buildings Service Contracts	348	2%	348	2%	-
Other expense	<u>409</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>125</u>
Total Expenses	18,367	100%	16,745	100%	1,622
Capital Expenditures	<u>1.400</u>		422		<u>978</u>
Total Spending	<u>19,767</u>		<u>17,167</u>		<u>2.600</u>

Consideration and Possible Action to Adopt a Resolution Acknowledging Funding Expend by the Corporation of the Fine Arts Museums During the Period October 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021

WHEREAS, The Corporation of the Fine Arts Museums is a 501(c)(3) not-forprofit corporation that exist to support the activities of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco does hereby acknowledge with gratitude funding in the amount of expended by \$11,798,945 the Corporation of the Fine Arts Museums for operations during the period October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

On motion, duly seconded, there was no discussion among Trustees. There was no public comment. The board voted unanimously to approve the resolution.

Report of the Director and CEO – Thomas P. Campbell, Director and CEO

**Exhibitions and Public Programs** 

#### Hung Liu: Golden Gate, July 10, 2021 – August 7, 2022

The Hung Liu installation in Wilsey Court has been extended to August 7

## Color into Line: Pastels from the Renaissance to the Present, October 9, 2021 – February 13, 2022

This exhibition displays works from our collection, and other treasures on loan from California collections. Though the show is closing soon, recordings of the excellent public programs that were organized with the show will live on our YouTube channel.

#### Patrick Kelly: Runway of Love, October 23, 2021 - April 24, 2022

Patrick Kelly continues at the de Young until April 24. On February 12, we are collaborating with the Black-owned fashion resale shop, ReLove to host a panel of local black designers and entrepreneurs who will speak about Patrick Kelly's influence on their work.

#### Jules Tavernier and the Elem Pomo, December 18, 2021-April 17, 2022

To mark the opening of the exhibition, we had the privilege of hosting a special community opening for the Pomo on the evening of Friday, December 17. On December 18 Free Saturday attendees experienced a powerful celebration of Pomo culture with dancing, song, a film screening, and hands on activities. In the community opening, in the beautiful film that we produced, in our Free Saturday programs, and in the exhibition itself, the contributions and voices of indigenous community members have been absolutely essential to the realization, and thoughtful presentation of this exhibition.

#### Alice Neel: People Come First, March 12, 2022 – July 10, 2022

The Met's presentation received incredible accolades and we are delighted to share Neel's work with Bay Area audiences.

#### Guo Pei: Couture Fantasy, April 16, 2021 – September 5, 2022

Preparations for the logistically complex installation of *Guo Pei: Couture Fantasy* are well underway--we look forward to bringing Guo Pei's work to Bay Area audiences.

#### Faith Ringgold: American People, July 16 – November 27, 2022

Faith Ringgold: American People will make its West Coast debut at the de Young museum. Organized by the New Museum, this exhibition will bring together over sixty years of work to showcase the most comprehensive exhibition to date of the 91 year old artist's groundbreaking vision. From creating some of the most indelible artworks of the civil rights era to challenging accepted hierarchies of art versus craft through her experimental story quilts, Faith Ringgold has produced a body of work that bears witness to the complexity of the American experience.

#### Ramses the Great and the Gold of the Pharaohs, August 20, 2022 – February 12, 2023

The world of ancient Egypt is returning to the de Young at the end of this coming summer, with a presentation focused on Ramses II--one of the most celebrated and powerful pharaohs of the New Kingdom--Egypt's Golden Age, This multisensory exhibition is filled with exquisite sculptures and objects related to this pharaoh, who was not only worshiped as a god during his lifetime but was venerated far into the future. Within the exhibition, there will be a dazzling display of gold jewelry and other objects that demonstrate the fabulous wealth of the pharaohs,

the extravagance and the luxuriousness of their tombs, and the superb workmanship of Egyptian artists.

# Japanese Prints in Transition: From the Floating World to the Modern World, October 22, 2022 – January 1, 2023

Drawn entirely from FAMSF's collection of 3,000 Japanese prints, this exhibition will document the late 19th century shift from delicately colored woodcut prints (so-called ukiyo-e or "floating world" images) of actors, courtesans, and scenic views to brightly colored images of Western architecture, industry, Victorian fashion and customs, and modern military warfare. This shift in artist practice closely reflected a dramatic transition of power from feudal, military rule that prioritized the country's isolation, to a new Japanese government that promoted modernization and the development of international relations.

#### Bouquets to Art 2022, June 7 – 12, 2022

Over the past two years our teams have made great pivots to host this event online and in hybrid formats, but this year we look forward to returning to an in person event. Over the course of the week, we will host four programs in Koret auditorium by florists, artists, and our very own Lauren Palmor, who has authored an ancillary flower dictionary publication for our many Bouquets to Art fans. Details of our 2022 exhibition schedule will be publicly announced on February 9.

#### **Public Programs**

#### Free Saturdays [In Person]

**February 5, 2022** \ Wayne Thiebaud: Modern Master of Pastel, LOH Furio Rinaldi in conversation with Rachel Teagle, Founding Director of the Jan Shrem and Maria Manetti Shrem Museum of Art at UC Davis.

#### February 12, 2022 \ Patrick Kelly: A Legacy of Love, dY

ReLove brings together a discussion with Bay Area Black designers, businesses owners, and creatives in a thought-provoking conversation about Patrick Kelly's influence and legacy

**February 26, 2022** \ Enrique Chagoya: Books, Censorship, Collaboration, LOH Chagoya speaks on his past experiences with art vandalism and censorship, followed by conversation with Don Farnsworth, director of Magnolia Editions,

#### **Virtual Wednesdays [Youtube]**

#### February 16, 2022 \ My Love List

Independent curator Souleo spotlights two of his loves: fashion designer Patrick Kelly and creative artist Beau McCall, exploring how these two creatives used clothing buttons to imbue works with joy

#### de Youngsters Day Out, March 5, 2022

We are expecting over 3,000 attendees for this free day of family-oriented programming at the de Young. We are delighted to see the continued evolution of this fundraising initiative into an ever-more inclusive model that welcomes the participation of families from across the Bay Area

in a day of free activities at the de Young. Proceeds from de Youngsters Day Out supports our **Equity Schools Partnership Project a new education initiative** which provides in-classroom instructional support, art supplies and transportation to schools that do not typically visit the museum, partnerships with community-based organizations serving BIPOC students, and teacher fellowships through which educators develop lessons that are culturally responsive and support student curiosity. We're piloting this program with 6 San Francisco Unified School District schools (SFUSD), with the goal of expanding the program down the line.

#### **Professional Development Opportunities**

We have a few paid professional development opportunities in place for students and emerging professionals of all backgrounds. We are deeply committed to offering professional development opportunities to students and emerging professionals of all backgrounds. Our Sherman Fairchild Fellows are helping us to catalogue our collections. In just a few weeks, we will welcome a cohort of 10 emerging professionals, who are joining our team as Interpretation and Outreach Associates. This group who will be responsible for facilitating engaging in-gallery conversations with families and visitors through an inclusive lens as part of our First Saturday programming.

#### **Report on Hamon Tower**

We continue to work with Swinerton on approaches and cost estimates for this project. As part of this, we are working with scaffolding esports on approaches for accessing the Tower to do the work.

#### **Report on Legion of Honor Masonry**

The project started in 2014 and has been done in phases. Funded by the City to repair and restore the masonry in the Legion of Honor Courtyard, including restoring the frieze that allows our wonderful organ music to be heard in the Court of Honor. The project was 90 percent complete prior to the pandemic but then lost funding for the completion due to the pandemic. Funding has been requested for the courtyard completion in our FY 23 Capital Budget as well as funding for a study to determine how to complete the restoration of the remaining exterior of the building in FY 24.

#### John F. Kennedy Drive

The City's SFMTA & Recreation and Parks departments will make recommendations about the future of the road with their commissions this month. Their recommendations are expected to go to the Board of Supervisors for a vote in March. MTA and Rec and Park will advance one of the three proposals that they laid out in their Safety and Access program:

- (1)Permanent Closure of JFK Drive East 24/7 to vehicle traffic We anticipate this will be the recommendation
- (2) Reopening of JFK Drive; the Sunday and Saturday closures that were in place prior to the pandemic would remain unaffected)
- (3) Split-Road Design w/ Partial Reopening

These options were laid out in a public survey developed by SFMTA.

The reports that SFMTA's survey shows overwhelming support for closing JFK are exaggerated claims. When the flaws of their "survey" (which is in fact an extremely slanted straw poll) were exposed, MTA staff pivoted their claims. They now acknowledge that:

• 20% of the 9749 responses were duplicates

- The majority of people with disabilities do not support permanent closure
- The majority of seniors do not support permanent closure (65+ and over)

Among many other issues, the results of the survey also showed the following:

- 5,000 (over 50%) of surveys were completed by respondents who identified as white. The survey reached only 245 who are Black and 568 who are LatinX
- The majority of surveys were completed by people who live near Golden Gate Park
- Although the survey was offered in five languages, only Chinese surveys were utilized and those by only by 44 respondents
- Only 399 people over 75 responded

For the Fine Arts Museums, the fact that the future of this road, and consequently our ability to serve the public, may be informed by such flawed data collection, is deeply disturbing. Despite consistent outreach to RPD and MTA since April 2020, the impacts of the closure on FAMSF, a City Agency and the de Young, whose building and invaluable collections are owned by the City, have been disregarded. The impacts of the road closure on the de Young are three-fold: on accessibility, operations, and financial viability.

Visitors with disabilities are always granted free general admission to the de Young, where we offer a variety of programs and services that cater to persons with disabilities. The closure of JFK Drive East places a disproportionate burden on people with disabilities. It increases the distance they must travel between their cars and the museum entrance, and it reduces accessible free parking within a reasonable distance to the museum. Many paths and walkways in the park are not ADA compliant, with uneven features, steep slopes and other hazards. COFAM, the nonprofit that operates the de Young and Legion, commissioned a mobility access study when it became clear that concerns about disability access were not being taken seriously. It documents that by removing free accessible parking in the immediate vicinity of the Museum and by not providing equivalent free parking within a reasonable travel distance to the Museum, the City is reducing program access and is not meeting its obligations under title II of the ADA. 280 nearby free public parking spaces (within ½ mile) and 17 ADA spaces (within 1/10 mile or 200 feet) directly serving our visitors have been lost. Replacements and proposed replacements by RPD are not adequate to serve park visitors who cannot walk or bike.

The de Young is a 24/7 operation. The loading dock, which receives 150-200 deliveries a week, is the lifeline for our operations and is only accessible from John F. Kennedy Drive. The mischaracterization of JFK as "car-free" creates an unsafe condition for our staff, vendors and those recreating on this road, and has set up a toxic and confrontational environment. On a daily basis, some bikers, joggers, walkers harass staff and vendors who access the dock. They circle, block and slam on vehicles, and shout profanities at drivers. They have bullied staff, including posting photos on social media. They have subjected staff to racial slurs and racially offensive comments. They have spit on staff and called on others to engage. Authorized staff vehicles have also been subject to vandalism, such as nails in the tires of their cars. RPD recently co-opted 35 dedicated spaces for their staff along Martin Luther King Drive near Bowling Green.

The de Young has had a nearly 50% drop in attendance since this past summer when capacity restrictions were lifted. In the same period we saw only a 17% decrease at our other museum,

the Legion of Honor. Nearly one third of the museum's earned revenue is reliant on paid visitation to the museum. Permanent closure would be a serious financial blow. Earned revenue pays for our public programs, education programs (K-12) tied to the SFUSD curriculum, and access programs. Further decreases in revenue would lead to diminished exhibition and programming over time again, counter to our efforts to broaden and expand our programming to serve the diverse communities of San Francisco.

The proposed permanent closure of JFK is not exempt from CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act). All environmental impacts must be disclosed, analyzed and mitigated in an environmental impact report. CEQA requires public agencies to disclose and analyze adverse environmental effects of projects before approving them. CEQA exemptions cannot be used when evidence shows that a project may have "effects [that] will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly." - Closing JFK adversely affects people who can no longer access Golden Gate Park. Beyond CEQA, the SF Park Code allows for streets to be closed temporarily if necessitated by emergency conditions, and states that the streets must be reopened to the public at an appropriate time. Now that San Francisco is returning back to normalcy, and the de Young and other park attractions along JFK have been opened for several months, now is the time to reopen JFK.

#### **Public Comment**

Approximately 80 members of the public joined the meeting with approximately 45 making public comment. Many members of the public shared personal experience with the challenges that the JFK closure has caused them and called on the City of San Francisco to reopen the road to cars. Also joining were members of the community advocating that JFK remain closed to vehicles. The Public Comment in response to the Director's Report ran for 104 minutes.

#### Summary of comments:

- 1. Zach Lipton Encouraged embracing the JFK drive closure
- Paulina Fayer Support option #2 fully reopening the roads, as prior to COVID.
   Happy to hear you are providing offerings including to SFUSD students.
   Concerned about drop in attendance and impact on your budget
- 3. Barry Wong Opposes permanent closure to JFK. ½ mile to walk to exhibits in the park, could not take 94 year old mother to peacock meadow. Cannot visit or even enjoy the closure. As retired firefighter, believes this impacts response time and displaces traffic
- 4. Victoire Reynal The inequity of Latino woman with strong ties to Latino community, hit hard by pandemic, most affected by road closures. Most live outside SF, access the park by car. Punishing a community that has already been punished enough. Access to the park should not only benefi the healthy and the young.
- 5. Leslie Podell In favor of reopening. Closure is inequitable to our diverse community and visitors. Why are we benefitting a narrow class of idealogues? Can we put this political subterfuge aside?

- Stephanie Lehman JFK closure is overreach by Phil Ginsburg and Jeffrey Tumlin.
- 7. Lily Ho Discriminatory against disabled and seniors. Consider what equity means.
- 8. Parker Day Will not renew membership, supports permanent closure. Access is better than before pandemic. There will be more ADA parking than before.
- 9. Christina Shih Never felt the need to take over the park to learn to bicycle. No longer go to the museum, went 3-4 times a month as a visitor, can't get there now. Fight to reopen JFK.
- 10. Christina Pappas Saddened to hear how staff have been treated by able bodied, young white entitled people. Give us effective, safe and reliable transportation. Muni needs to be fixed, Bike Coalition needs to be stopped.
- 11. Vicki Bruckner Cannot effectively do my work as an Access Advisor to the de Young. One of my colleagues cannot come into the park to do the work. Speak to your Supervisors, urge them to reopen JFK Drive.
- 12. Member of the Public Support reopening JFK. Have watched these people try to close the road since 1967. SF Bike, Walk SF, KidSafe are paid lobbyists by SFMTA and RPD.
- 13. Joni Dillane Think about the elderly, disabled. This closure is inequitable.
- 14. Leslie Wong Reopen JFK. Why is there no CEQA report?
- 15. Mina Young Reopen JFK.
- 16. Brad McMillan Reopen the park. Not everyone can ride a bike.
- 17. Judi Gorski Reopen Road. RPD and MTA should not be exempted from proper planning and outreach.
- 18. Bryan Culbertson Cannot imagine anything other than the Promenade (closed JFK)
- 19. Laura Reopen JFK
- 20. Julie D. Soo Reopen JFK. Member of FAMSF. JFK is a major thoroughfare, this is pushing cars to the neighborhood. First responder vehicles are delayed.
- 21. Peter Reitz Reopen JFK drive
- 22. Steven Hill Illegal to close the road. Discovered thru PRRS collusion between RPD, MTA, SF Bike and Walk SF
- 23. Lope Yap Native GW High School alum and filmmaker. Common thread between proposals to close the streets. Parking and traffic issues are worse with roads closed. Not a surprise that museum attendance is down
- 24. Peter Booth Lee Long time member, love the museum. Reopen JFK.
- 25. Angela Tickler Calls for full reopening of all streets closed by overreach of authority by RPD and MTA.
- 26. Angela Reopen JFK. Sunset residents on the west side are affected. Closures are dangerous.
- 27. Barbara Paschke Reopen JFK.

- 28. Sophia Liu (translated) I never heard about the SFMTA survey, I encourage reopening JFK Drive.
- 29. Nga Nguyen (translated) Mom who cannot walk cannot get to the park.
- 30. Jennifer Kris Reopen JFK at least 5 days a week. The de Young has greatly benefitted my family (with 3 kids).
- 31.Adam Used to be a member. Does not like the de Young's constant disparagement of the Promenade. Dismayed by trustee Frankie Gillette. The de Young's problems are not insurmountable.
- 32. Tony Phil and Jeff should be fired. They gave \$1.8M to SF Bike and Walk SF to lobby. Used to be a member of SF Bike.
- 33. Belinda Sifford I am a member of Access Advisors. These problems with parking, the shuttle reduce disability access to the de Young. It takes time to resolve RPD's problems, then we can negotiate with 100% of community input and value.
- 34. Lisa Church D3 resident. SFBike and Walk SF do not get money to lobby, they get money to educate children. Impressed with Alice Neel but will not come to the museum, cancelled membership. Tom Campbell should be ashamed. He should try to find solutions. He is bullying everyone.
- 35. Judy Moran A lot of elderly do not have disabled placards. I'm not disabled, I'm just slow and have bad hips. Used to be a dahlia volunteer, but cannot get there now.
- 36. Marisa McCarthy Opposes the permanent closure of JFK. Used to take my elderly grandmother to the park, but cannot do that with JFK closed.
- 37. Luke Bornheimer Appalled and disappointed with Tom Campbell. Change is hard.
- 38. Charley Hilarious that Walk SF is talking about solutions when it's their way or the highway. I go to the park to walk the paths, not play in the street.
- 39. Jianbin Liang (translated) Reopen JFK.
- 40. David Alexander, D1 Resident. Can't come to the museum as long as it advocates for reopening JFK. Tom Campbell should problem solve.
- 41. Grace Collora reopen JFK
- 42. Robin Pam- Tom Campbell has tarnished the de Young.
- 43. Tanya Robinson Without people being able to get to the museums, it would be a tragedy for our city.
- 44. Sue Churchill reopen JFK.
- 45. Thomas McCarthy Oppose the permanent closure of JFK.

Seventy-four public comments on this agenda item were submitted via email following the meeting, attached as Appendix B.2

#### **General Public Comment**

There were comments from three members of the public:

- A recommendation that the Legion have a viewing platform on the back upper level of the to take advantage of the sweeping views.
- In the week prior to the board meeting there was Publicly Available Park Access for All meeting that a number of people where not admitted to, and a recommendation to let all who want to participate to be admitted.
- Comment that one of the members of the public had already spoken

#### Adjournment

Diane B. Wilsey complimented the work of Director Thomas Campbell and thanked him for his leadership. She also thanked President Moment for his service and expressed her support for the reopening of JFK Drive.

Diane B. Wilsey, Chair Emerita adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

## FINE ARTS MUSEUMS FOUNDATION

## **Report of Acquisitions Committee**

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#### PROPOSED PURCHASES

#### **American Art**

Betye Saar (b. 1926)

Diaspora's Spirit, 1996

Etched steel, metal box, chain, and padlock
72 x 20 x 8 inches

Museum purchase, Phyllis C. Wattis Fund for Major Accessions
2022.8

#### **European Paintings**

**Marie-Guillemine Benoist**, (French 1768-1826) Psyche Bidding Her Family Farewell, 1791

Oil on canvas

43 ¾ x 57 1/8 (111 x 145 cm)

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2022.6

Subject line: JFK Drive Closure

Opposing the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park

#### Email body:

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The road closure has not been a democratic process and community residents have been held hostage to whims of people who do not want to compromise. I understand the original purpose of closure during the full swing pandemic. And then people and organizations who only cared about themselves continued to close more streets. The PURPOSE of the closure is done, streets should have been opened and THEN we debate, discussion, and all VOTE.

I have been a Sunset resident for 55 years. We are a city of many differing opinions especially when it comes to homeless. But when it came down to it, whatever side you are on, a loud and clear message was sent that this city is for everyone not just a loud group who doesn't care about elderly, handicapped, or just residents who need to get to work, doctor appointments, get around the city without sitting in traffic because other previous available routes are closed.

We are a city of well-kept, wide sidewalks. I grew up here learning to ride my bike on these sidewalks, walking to school, and playing with friends. Now that isn't enough? Need to take whole sections of highway, or miles of main thorough fare through the neighborhood, or main access roads in golden park to 'be safe' or have enough space??? This is madness!!! Please don't give in and think about the WHOLE of the city.

Has anyone gone out to JFK on a weekday, or the many closed streets in the neighborhood (41st, kirkham, ortega,...etc) and counted how many people use them? I live and work in the Sunset...i typically see one or none, while drivers are forced to zig zag thru neighborhood to their home, school, grocery store. You ARE CREATING A MESS. Don't let this me your legacy.

Again, I strongly oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park. And ALL the closed streets that were for pandemic purposes only.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Angela Sicord I just want to reiterate my concerns regarding the re-opening of JFK Drive, as a 2nd generation Native San Franciscan, I have felt very isolated since I can no longer bring my elderly and disabled mother to visit the area or to enjoy art exhibits such as those at Peacock Meadow or the Conservatory of Flowers. This closure has shifted traffic to Stanyan and Park Presidio and has made travel between the Sunset and Richmond a ridiculous time consuming task. This closure has created more problems than it intends to address. I walk there daily and there is no increase in bike or pedestrian traffic in the closed areas that cannot be handled by existing bike and walkways. There are no accessible parking areas available that are closer than .5 miles from the museum and those pedestrian walkways are not ADA compliant. As a retired Firefighter, I see there is no alternative access for emergency vehicles other than the already congested Stanyan and Park Presidio corridors which endangers the public at large. The suggestion of using the public parking garages is cost prohibitive and not designed to be a drop off area for seniors and disabled access.

Please oppose any proposal to keep this area closed and support any effort to reopen the roads to precovid levels.

Thank you,

Barry

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Brian Gitt



Thu, Feb 10, 9:03 PM (14 hours ago)

# Chinese (Traditional) English

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Chun Sheng Huang. 我不希望關閉JFK DR. 關閉JFK 道路令交通擠塞。影響司機往返金門公園。浪費更多行車時間。亦令好多人難以進入博物館和其他設施的非常不方便。必須持續開放道路以保障市民安全。反對當局沒有徵詢市民意見。

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Chun Sheng Huang. I don't want to close JFK DR. Closing JFK road will cause traffic congestion. Affects drivers to and from Golden Gate Park. Waste more travel time. It also makes it very inconvenient for many people to enter the museum and other facilities. Roads must remain open to keep citizens safe. The opposition authorities did not consult the public.



Thu, Feb 10, 10:36 AM (7 days ago)

# Chinese (Traditional) English

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我劉彩燕.

我反對永久關閉金門公園JFK DR. 我希望回覆到疫前一樣,星期一至五開放,星期六、日可關閉。

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[Message clipped] <u>View entire message</u>

Cui Yin Liu

Feb 10, 2022, 10:36 AM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

### English

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I am Liu Caiyan,

I am against the permanent closure of Golden Gate Park JFK DR. I hope to return to the same as before the epidemic, open Monday to Friday, and can be closed Saturday and Sunday.

Benjamin Hung

Thu, Feb 10, 12:16 PM (7 days ago)

# Chinese (Traditional) English

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Benjamin Hung. 我在三藩市已居住了超過15年。JFK DR必須保持開放。不能關閉。

我反對的理由:

如果關閉了行車道·對於我及很多照護行動不便的長者·經常伴扶老人家到公園散步·對殘障人士增加障礙·沒有安全感·不便·不公平。

因為在公園行車道上會有踏單車的人·滑板等等的運動橫沖直撞·對長者·殘障人士及小孩造成危險·霸佔了長者使用公園的權利。

**Benjamin Hung** 

Thu, Feb 10, 12:16 PM (7 days ago)

### Chinese (Traditional)

### English

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Benjamin Hung. I have lived in San Francisco for over 15 years. JFK DR must remain open. cannot be closed.

Reasons for my objection:

If the traffic lanes are closed, for me and many elderly people with disabilities, I often accompany and help the elderly to take a walk in the park, adding obstacles to the disabled, insecure, inconvenient, and unfair.

Because there will be cyclists, skateboards and other sports rampages on the park lanes, causing danger to the elderly, the disabled and children, and occupying the right of the elderly to use the park.

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Debra Chen. 我在烈治文區已居住了18年。我們是反對關閉JFK DR. 這措施會給大家帶來許多影響。金門公園有很多學校學生,家長,孩子們參加活動。尤其是家長,中少年參加的一些球賽。如果不能夠開車,他們帶小孩會有困難,而失去了根本公園為大眾服務的目的。還有家庭朋友的野餐等等。金門公園應該可以開車。希望當局能夠保持道路暢通。

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Debra Chen. I have lived in Richmond for 18 years. We are against closing JFK DR. This measure will have many implications for everyone. Golden Gate Park has many school students, parents, children participating in activities. In particular, some ball games that parents, middle-aged and teenagers participate in. If they can't drive, they will have difficulty with children and lose the fundamental purpose of the park to serve the public. There are also picnics for family and friends and more. Golden Gate Park should be able to drive. Hopefully the authorities will keep the road open.

#### Translate message

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Haikang Chen

Thu, Feb 10, 12:26 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)
English

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

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#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Keon Ngai. 我不同意永久關閉金門公園行車道,星期一至五對上班和上學一族帶來不便,交通會變得越來越擁擠。或者只在假日關閉,大家都可以互相享用道路。因為很多人都通過這條道路的。會對道路使用者非常不公平。想進入de Young 博物館更加困難。希望有關當局認真考慮一下。保持開放JFK DR. 多謝。

Keon Ngai

Thu, Feb 10, 12:10 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I'm Keon Ngai. I don't agree with the permanent closure of Golden Gate Park lanes. It will be inconvenient for commuters to work and school from Monday to Friday, and the traffic will become more and more congested. Or it's only closed on holidays and everyone can enjoy each other's roads. Because a lot of people have gone through this road. Very unfair to road users. Getting into the de Young Museum is even more difficult. I hope the relevant authorities will seriously consider it. Keep it open JFK DR. Thanks.

# Chinese (Traditional)

## English

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我係Ken Chea. 保留金門公園開放能使巴士通過. 能將三藩市居民順利使用。每一天的工作完能夠可以到公園散步運動。反對單車橫衝直闖。因為公園是屬於每一個三藩市人的休閒活動。這是很必要的。我堅決反對關閉JFK DR。否則對我們來說有非常大影響。

Ken Chea

Thu, Feb 10, 12:00 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Ken Chea. Keeping Golden Gate Park open will allow buses to pass through. San Francisco residents will be able to use it smoothly. After work every day, you can go for a walk in the park. Oppose bike rampage. Because parks are a leisure activity for every San Francisco person. This is necessary. I am firmly against closing JFK DR. Otherwise it has a very big impact on us.

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Katherine Mou. 我反對永久關閉金門公園JFK DR. 我希望回覆到疫前一樣·星期一至五開放·星期六·日可關閉。這樣可以讓所有人都享受公園內的設施。關閉行車道會帶來不便。希望有關當局認真考慮我們的意見。

**Katherine Mou** 

Thu, Feb 10, 11:23 AM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Katherine Mou. I am against the permanent closure of Golden Gate Park JFK DR. I hope to reply to the same as before the epidemic, open Monday to Friday, closed Saturday and Sunday. This allows everyone to enjoy the facilities in the park. Closing traffic lanes is inconvenient. We hope that the relevant authorities will seriously consider our comments.

## Chinese (Traditional)

## English

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Kafu Fan. 對於關閉JFK DR決定感到無奈和不滿。永久關閉金門公司行車道會造成交通嚴重阻塞。對長者生命構成極大危險,長者想進入博物館也變得非常困難。救護車不能通過,影響救援。當局並沒有考慮問到。堅決反對此法案。

Kafu Fan

Thu, Feb 10, 12:36 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

#### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I am Kafu Fan. Feeling helpless and dissatisfied with the decision to close JFK DR. Permanently closing the Golden Gate Company lanes would cause serious traffic jams. It poses a great danger to the lives of the elderly, and it becomes very difficult for the elderly to enter the museum. The ambulance could not pass, affecting the rescue. The authorities were not thoughtful. Firmly oppose this bill.

Wed, Feb 9, 5:30 AM (8 days ago)

> I am older and handicapped and have trouble doing anything.-- i get frightened

having to use park presidio blvd. monthly i need to go and get my blood infusion and all of

my drs. are on the other side of the park. i live on 25th avenue and traffic has increased.

Please open the drives.i doubt if the emergency

vehicles are comfortable with this situation.

Again, I strongly oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

kaaren alvarado

# Joni Dillane

Feb 11, 2022, 10:07 PM (3 days ago)

to me

Hello,

I am writing this email in support of the campaign to keep JFK Drive in Golden Gate OPEN! As a need for close drop offs and ADA spaces for the Disabled and the elderly. Parents need to bring their elderly Parents to events at the Museums, Cal Academy, etc. Also the walk is too far for them, they cannot walk that far. Also my own arthritic joints are suffering and it is very hard to walk very far, hence need JFK open to be able to be close to drop off and navigate.

Thank you Joni Dillane & family

Native San Franciscan Museum Supporter (monthly) Cal Academy Supporter

# Chinese (Traditional) English

# Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是John an Chau. 我是長期家居護理員。我要照護行動不便的長者·經常伴扶老人家到公園散步·關閉了行車道·對殘障人士增加障礙·這是不公平的。 希望能夠撤回關閉決定。金門公園必須保持開放及通車。

### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I'm John an Chau. I'm a long-term home care worker. I have to take care of the elderly with limited mobility. I often accompany the elderly to take a walk in the park. It is unfair to close the traffic lanes and add obstacles to the disabled. It is hoped that the closure decision will be reversed. Golden Gate Park must remain open and open to traffic.

Chinese

**English** 

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese

For JKF DR:

我是Jason Chen, 对于关闭JFK DR的决定我是反对的!请求尽快开放恢复车辆正常通行。自封路已来,我家有87岁的老婆婆已两年都没办法带她去年金门公园里看花了。这是由于路段的关闭,引起堵车很严重,而且周边停车很难,老人家的体能是不能走很长的一段路去公园里活动的,就因此老人家享受大自然的权利被剥夺了。希望相关部门尽快开放该公路回复正常通车,让大家都都有机会享受公园给予我们的资源。谢谢!

Fri, Feb 11, 3:58 PM (6 days ago)

Chinese

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese

For JKF DR:

I am Jason Chen and I am against the decision to close JFK DR! Request to reopen as soon as possible to resume normal vehicle traffic. Since the closure of the road, my 87-year-old old woman has been unable to take her to see flowers in Golden Gate Park last year for two years. This is due to the closure of the road section, which caused serious traffic jams, and it was difficult to park around the area. The old people's physical fitness could not walk a long way to go to the park to play activities. Therefore, the old people's right to enjoy nature

as deprived . It is hoped that the relevant departments will open the road to normal traffic as so so ssible, so that everyone can have the opportunity to enjoy the resources given to us by the park.	on as Thanks!

# Chinese English

# Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese

我是Janice Cheung. 我照雇的残障人士经常需要使用该道路,作为散步运动. 关闭此行车会增加障碍,对伤残人士不公平,亦是再次的伤害。公门公园是属于大家的。非常反对当局关闭行车道。

# View original message

Always translate: Chinese

I'm Janice Cheung. The handicapped people I hire often need to use the road for walking. Closing this road will add obstacles, be unfair to the handicapped, and hurt again. Gongmen Park belongs to everyone. Very opposed to the authorities closing the lanes.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Jimmy wong

# Chinese (Traditional)

English

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是James Yiu. 我要照顧行動有困難的老人家,他們需要在公園散步,他們非常熱愛這公園。若要關閉了行車道,增加了障礙和帶來更多不便。對他們非常不公平。希望當局能保持道路開放。讓所有人在安全環境下生活。

James Yiu

Thu, Feb 10, 12:42 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

# View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is James Yiu. I take care of elderly people who have difficulty moving. They need to walk in the park. They love the park very much. To close the traffic lanes, added obstacles and more inconvenience. Very unfair to them. Hopefully the authorities will keep the roads open. Let everyone live in a safe environment.

Chinese English

# Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese

你好,我叫葉煥興,金门公园是长者及残障人士活动的好地方。如果关闭行车道,会造成他们极大的不方便和存在极大的人身安全问题。因此,我反對永久關閉金門公園的JFKdr行車道。

## View original message

Always translate: Chinese

Hello, my name is Ye Huanxing, and Kinmen Park is a great place for seniors and disabled people. If the traffic lanes are closed, it will cause them great inconvenience and great personal safety problems. Therefore, I am against the permanent closure of the JFKdr lanes in Golden Gate Park

# Chinese (Traditional) English

### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我叫Huan He, 關閉了行車道, 對殘障人士增加障礙。由於街道車量增多, 也會对居住在附近的人士造成影响.因此, 我反對永久關閉金門公園的JFKdr行車道。

# View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Huan He and I have closed the traffic lanes and added barriers for the disabled. Due to the increased traffic on the street, it will also affect people living nearby. Therefore, I am against the permanent closure of the JFKdr lanes in Golden Gate Park.

# Chinese (Traditional) English

# Translate message

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# Chinese (Traditional)

# English

#### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Linda Lau. 我在日落區居住有10年。我每天都要經過公門公園工作。關閉了行車道令交通更擁擠不堪。也危害其他人享用園內設施。嚴正反對關閉行車道。這是不公平的。希望當局認真處理事件。

Linda Lau

Thu, Feb 10, 1:01 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Linda Lau. I have lived in the Sunset District for 10 years. I pass through Gongmen Park every day for work. Road closures have made traffic even more congested. It also endangers other people's enjoyment of park facilities. Sternly oppose the closure of traffic lanes. this is not fair. I hope the authorities will take the incident seriously.

# Chinese (Traditional) English

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

你好, 我叫劉麗華,

關閉公園行車道令我們難以通過及使用場內設施和活動。停泊汽車也變得困難。附近道路交通將會更擁擠。

因此,我反對永久關閉金門公園的JFKdr行車道。

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

Hello, my name is Liu Lihua,

Closing park lanes makes it difficult for us to pass and use on-site facilities and activities. Parking a car has also become difficult. Traffic on nearby roads will be more congested.

Therefore, I am against the permanent closure of the JFKdr lanes in Golden Gate Park.

# Leslie Podell

Tue, Feb 8, 9:51 PM (16 hours ago)

Dear FAMSF Board of Trustees,

I strongly urge you to oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park.

The idea of closing JFK drive is an inequitable proposition. It is inequitable to a wide swath of our diverse community as well as to tourists and visitors from out of town.

Why are we narrowing access to the park and the Museum? To placate an able bodied, wealthy class of ideologues intent on effecting policy that will negatively effect our most vulnerable of citizens?

I have the perspective of raising three young children as well as caring for elderly parents. Mobility issues are real and they are complex; not easily solved with one or two solutions. It is the ease of access that allows a majority of our citizens to partake in all the rich experiential and educational aspects the museum and the park offer. Don't cut them off.

And can we just put the subterfuge or this political theater aside and look at this for what it is. This is the SF Bike coalition, Walk SF, and Kidsafe SF working under the cover of Parks and Rec to push their anti-car agenda on to the citizens of SF. This is evidenced in JFK, OTGH, and the 32 closed "slow streets" bottle necking our communities.

I'm worried about the survival of this incredible museum and these political groups who are pushing for the closure of JFK are not nor are they looking at what's good and right for the community. And I am sorry you and JFK are in play and being politicized to achieve their untenable vision of a car free San Francisco.

The survey they are using to bolster their argument is corrupt and biased, and should be thrown out on grounds of acting in bad faith. The Park and Rec has squandered the governments most valued resources, the pubic's trust. Walk SF, SF Bike Coalition and Kidsafe SF are an organized force whose combined membership is over 35,000 people. By colluding with Parks and Rec they effectively put their thumb on the scale of what was supposed to be a fair and democratic survey. This survey does not gage community support, this survey is a corrupted, discredited, politicized poll, worthless.

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Best, Leslie Podell

Leslie Podell

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Best,

Leo Tang

larisa rayzberg

Wed, Feb 9, 8:36 AM (8 days ago)

# Subject line:

Opposing the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park

## **Email body:**

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Larisa Rayzberg



Thu, Feb 10, 12:26 PM (7 days ago)

# Chinese (Traditional) English

# View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Haikang Chen. My family and I often go for a walk in Golden Gate Park. Closing traffic lanes has a profound impact on us. Parking is becoming more and more troublesome. Public facilities should try to meet the needs of different people. A complete closure would deprive people with reduced mobility from participating in the park's activities. Protest against the unreasonable decision of the authorities. Must be open at all times.

Good day,

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Thank you

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Best, Pat Kelly I watched the FAMSF meeting earlier this week on Zoom and was very impressed with Director Campbell. I support a fully-opened JFK Drive.

I live on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the block just north of the park and so I'm in the park everyday, often more than once. In my experience, especially on weekdays, no matter what time or weather, pedestrians are not using the roadway. I have a hundred photos documenting this. Cyclists are using the roadway making it feel unsafe to walk in the roadway--they go fast and pedestrians wait at crosswalks for them to pass. At the very least JFK should be shared in some formal way with cars and pedestrians. Fulton has become a superhighway and Stanyan is impossible. All the parking that JFK offered has been moved into my immediate neighborhood.

We all know about the hardship this creates for seniors and the disabled. It's no picnic for other San Francisco residents. Thanks for letting me express my support of FAMSF's position.

Nina Steinman

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Nancy Southall Board of Trustee's please continued to support the reopening of JFK drive. My wife and I have lived here for decades and have watched these people try to close this road since 1967. They took it to the voters twice and failed and now are underhandedly using this pandemic to once again attempt to shut down this road. The SFbike coalition, SFwalk, Kidsafe, are paid lobbyist funded by SFMTA and they think they are making things better they are NOT they are killing the city! They talk about how glorious it is for them but for the rest of us its agony. These city departments and organizations are becoming trumponion with all their alternate truths. The surveys I have seen have all been engineered to push their desired goals.

In addition I find that I can no longer trust any information that is put forth by SF Rec and Park or SFMTA. They no longer have the public trust. The directors of both of these organization need to be replaced and those replacements will need to re earn our trust.

Mike Regan

Dear Fine Arts Museums Board of Trustees,

I am writing to strongly encourage you to oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive. Golden Gate Park is a community space that should afford the greatest number of people the opportunity to enjoy the natural setting and the Museum and Academy of Sciences and other attractions.

Closing JFK Drive to all vehicular traffic does NOT provide broad community access. Both geographic distance and the cost of parking makes it difficult to reasonably enjoy the sites within the park.

One of the things that I enjoy most about Golden Gate Park is seeing people of all ages enjoying the setting---whether that be picnicking in the park, roller blading, dancing, hiking, walking and bicycling. But limiting the ability to park and carry items into the park, in addition to limiting seniors and those with disabilities to have reasonable access is NOT showing concern and accommodation to the residents of San Francisco and those who come from outside the City.

I'm a member of the Fine Arts Museums and the Academy of Sciences. I have elderly parents that I've brought to Golden Gate Park to enjoy family picnics and to see exhibits. My father had a stroke and is very limited in his ability to walk. Currently, he's unable to visit the Park given the restrictions for automobiles.

As a San Francisco resident, I enjoy hiking in Golden Gate Park. But I also feel it's a reasonable compromise to limit car access on weekends, yet keep it open during weekdays.

I also have to comment on the impact the closure has on the Museum's and Academy of Science's ability to attract visitors. I was involved as a volunteer with Bouquets to Art for more than 20 years. During popular events---like BTA—the parking garage fills up by 10am. With JFK closed and the limits on parking, events like this will not be possible. We've had as many as 70,000 visitors come through the de Young during Bouquets to Art Week. My guess is we'd be lucky to accommodate 20,000 with the current restrictions. So, bringing popular exhibits that are widely enjoyed and ensure the financial viability of these cultural institutions is critical!

Golden Gate Park is an incredible setting in San Francisco. Ensuring public access for ALL requires compromise and accommodation. I hope the Board of Trustees can persuade the City of San Francisco supervisors, mayor and Park & Recreation Dept to re-open JFK Drive!

Sincerely,

Maureen Murray Fox

# Chinese (Traditional) English

# Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我叫Marilyn Wong. 我確實照顧有殘疾的老人。 我們每週都嘗試在青年博物館和玫瑰園附近外出。 現在街道被封鎖,我們很難四處走動。 讓我的工作更難。 我關心的人對我的額外努力感到難過。 但每週散步對他們的身心健康很重要。關閉道路會令我們有很大影響。反對這無理決定。開放交通才能夠讓市民大衆得益。希望SFMTA考慮我們的意見。

### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Marilyn Wong. I do take care of elderly people with disabilities. We try to go out around the youth museum and rose garden every week. Now that the streets are blocked, it is difficult for us to move around. Make my job harder. People I care about feel bad about my extra effort. But weekly walks are important to their physical and mental health. Closing the road will have a big impact on us. Oppose this unreasonable decision. Only by opening up traffic can the public benefit. Hope SFMTA takes our opinion into consideration.

Dear FAMSF Board of Trustees,

I strongly urge you to oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park.

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Again, I strongly oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park. I also drive this normally commuting from the East Bay home back to home, as a healthcare provider after working long shifts.

Please reopen it to cars, as it's inconvenient for those of us who drive, especially who commute. As the pandemic is an endemic now, people can adjust to walking on the sidewalk and biking in bike lane, like they used to. San Francisco should not be about people who only walk and bike, it should be for all who continue to live here.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Siobhan Wilson, MSN, RN

# Chinese (Traditional) English

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

# 我陳瑞英.

關閉行車道令我們需要更多時間到園內參著活動。我的孩子也無法接受這樣的決定。堅決反對這決定。 因此,我反對永久關閉金門公園的JFKdr行車道。

# I am Chen Ruiying,

Closing the traffic lanes makes us need more time to participate in the activities in the park. My kids couldn't accept such a decision either. Firmly oppose this decision.

Therefore, I am against the permanent closure of the JFKdr lanes in Golden Gate Park.

# Chinese English

### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese

我是shao Wei Li. 金门公园是长者及残障人士活动的好地方。如果关闭行车道,会造成他们极大的不方便和存在极大的人身安全问题。所以不能永久关闭行车道。 强烈反对这无理决定。

# View original message

Always translate: Chinese

My name is shao Wei Li. Golden Gate Park is a great place for the elderly and disabled. If the traffic lanes are closed, it will cause them great inconvenience and great personal safety problems. So the lanes cannot be closed permanently. I strongly disagree with this unreasonable decision.

# Chinese English

### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese

你好, 我叫Senren Situ,

关闭行车道,会造成老年人和兒童极大的不方便和存在极大的人身安全问题.亦造成非常不方便。

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View original message

Always translate: Chinese

Hello, my name is Senren Situ,

Closing the roadway will cause great inconvenience to the elderly and children and great personal safety problems. It will also cause great inconvenience.

Therefore, I am against the permanent closure of JFKdr lanes.

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Again.	I strongly o	oppose the	permanent closu	ure of JFK Dr	rive in Golden	Gate Park.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Sandy



Thu, Feb 10, 9:15 PM (14 hours ago)

# Chinese (Traditional) English

### Translate message

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我是Sally Yeh. 我對關閉行車道表示不滿。我和孩子逢周末都要揸車到金門公園散步和遊玩 · 關閉行車道帶來不便。我們或會選擇去其他公園休閑。那麼好的公園吸引很多遊客前來觀賞和享受。關閉了令好多人例如老人和小孩更難入場內活動。應該保持開放的。

### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I'm Sally Yeh. I'm not happy with the road closure. My kids and I have to go to the Golden Gate Park for a walk and play every weekend, Closing traffic lanes is inconvenient. We may choose to go to other parks for leisure. Such a good park attracts many tourists to come to watch and enjoy. The closure made it more difficult for many people, such as the elderly and children, to enter the activities in the venue. should remain open.

## Rosemary

Tue, Feb 8, 9:08 PM (17 hours ago)

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Best,

Rosemary Newton



# Chinese (Traditional)

English

Translate message

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你好,我叫Richard Young.

在三藩市居住超過二十年。我對於關閉行車道是持反對立場的。這會造成嚴重的交通擠塞和安全問題。小孩和老人需要走更遠的路才能到公園活動。對他們來說非常不方便和危險的。市府好應該考慮到這一點。

Richard Young

Fri, Feb 11, 2:10 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

Hello, my name is Richard Young.

Lived in San Francisco for over twenty years. I am against closing the lanes. This creates serious traffic congestion and safety issues. Children and the elderly need to walk further to get to the park. Very inconvenient and dangerous for them. The city council should take this into account.

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我叫Qing Zhou Wu 我每天要經過金門公園過Sunset找朋友,如何封閉對我們不方便 No close JFK

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Qing Zhou Wu

I have to pass through Golden Gate Park and Sunset to find friends every day. It is inconvenient for us to close it.

No close JFK

# Chinese (Traditional)

English

### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Jonna Winn, 對於關閉JFK DR決定.我是反对的。關閉金門公园JFK DR行車道會造成交通嚴重阻塞,長者想進入博物館成百花温室也變得非常困難。堅決反對此法案。

Ping Xie

Fri, Feb 11, 4:04 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I'm Jonna Winn, and I'm against the decision to close JFK DR. Closing the JFK DR lanes in Golden Gate Park will cause serious traffic jams and make it very difficult for seniors to enter the museum's Hundred Flowers Greenhouse. Firmly oppose this bill.

ping xie

Wed, Feb 9, 11:23 PM (9 days ago)

# Chinese English

Translate message

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我请求政府尽快开放JFK Drive 恢复正常使用,车辆可以通行。自封路已来引致的交通问题随着疫情的过去,各行各业逐渐回复正常运作,现时已经变得越来越严重。我作为住在日落区的居民,每天自己要上班、还要送小孩上学,使用JFK Drive 的机会很多,但每次穿过金门公园时,由于部分路段的封闭,要花费更多的时间绕路出行,造成很多不方便。同时也因为封路,很多车辆得不到分流,遇到严重堵车是很经常的事。希望相关部门尽快开放该公路回复正常通车。谢谢!

Christy P

ping xie

Wed, Feb 9, 11:23 PM (9 days ago)

# Chinese English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese

I request the government to open JFK Drive back to normal use as soon as possible and allow vehicles to pass. The traffic problems caused by the self-closure of roads have become more and more serious as the epidemic has passed, and all walks of life have gradually returned to normal operations. As a resident of the Sunset District, I have to go to work and send my children to school every day. I have many opportunities to use JFK Drive, but every time I pass through Golden Gate Park, due to the closure of some sections of the road, it takes more time to detour Travel, causing a lot of inconvenience. At the same time, due to road closures, many vehicles cannot be diverted, and it is very common to encounter serious traffic jams. It is hoped that the relevant departments will open the road to normal traffic as soon as possible. Thanks!

Christy P

February 9, 2022

Ms. Megan Bourne, Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees at Fine Arts

Museums of San Francisco

Dear Ms. Bourne,

At the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco Trustees public meeting last evening, February 8, 2022, I expressed my firm opinion that JFK Drive should remain fully open, that is, all 7 days of the week. FAMSF Director and CEO Campbell outlined the multiple justifications for keeping access to the De Young more accessible. For my own part, I expressed the need for a senior in his 80s to have automobile access and parking. The Bicycle Coalition is pressing for sole access to JFK as well as the Safe Streets. The position of the City leaves out consideration for seniors and the disabled. One questions what is meant by "San Francisco Values" when the elderly and disabled are excluded.

Also, I stressed that JFK is a wide boulevard and can easily accommodate vehicles and bicycle lanes. It makes no sense in terms of accessibility to De Young to block vehicular traffic on a road built for automobile traffic. Visits to San Francisco's two fine arts museums has fallen off. COVID is not the only reason for the lower attendance. The JFK closure and elimination of parking contribute to this lower attendance. Keep JFK open all 7 days of the week. Peter Rietz

## Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我係Peggy Ma. 我對SFMTA的關閉行車道決定感到奇怪。關閉行車道令我們需要更多時間到園內參著活動。會浪費更多時間泊車和步行。會令該區更加塞車。也令我們的孩子更為危險。我的孩子也無法接受這樣的決定。這是一個擾民的措施。堅決反對這決定。

### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

My name is Peggy Ma. I'm surprised by the SFMTA's decision to close traffic lanes. Closing the traffic lanes makes us need more time to participate in the activities in the park. Will waste more time parking and walking. It will make the area even more congested. It also puts our children at greater risk. My kids couldn't accept such a decision either. This is a nuisance measure. Firmly oppose this decision.

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

JFK公路.

我是 Cindy Wong, 我和家人經常到金門公園散步運動。關閉行車道對我們影響很大,不僅车辆无法通行,而且造成周邊堵車嚴重,更麻煩的是找停車位更加困難了。希望能盡快恢復JKF DR對公眾開放,減少我們出行的不便,謝謝!

Cindy

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lykire mm

Feb 13, 2022, 1:42 PM (20 hours ago)

Chinese (Traditional)
English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

JFK Highway,

My name is Cindy Wong, and my family and I often go for walks in Golden Gate Park. Closing the traffic lanes has a great impact on us, not only the vehicles cannot pass, but also the surrounding traffic jams are serious, and the more troublesome is that it is more difficult to find a parking space. I hope that JKF DR can be reopened to the public as soon as possible to reduce the inconvenience of our travel, thank you!

Cindy

Chinese English

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese

## JFK道理

我是Hongwen Zhu,我在照顾行动不便的老人家,他们很喜欢到金门公园活动。老人家体力不足,不能走远,每次我都是车到靠近他们想去的景点才下来散步欣赏公园的风景。由于JFK公路的部分关闭,已经造成了很多老人家想参加的地方都去不了,恳请当局考虑广大群众的需求,尽快全面开放该公路,让所有人都有机会享受公园里资源。谢谢!

Hongwen Zhu

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Lykire Ryu

Sun, Feb 13, 1:37 PM (21 hours ago)

Chinese

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese

### JFK truth

My name is Hongwen Zhu. I am taking care of elderly people with limited mobility. They like to go to Golden Gate Park. The elderly are not physically strong enough to go far. Every time I drive to the scenic spots they want to go, I come down for a walk and enjoy the scenery of the park. Due to the partial closure of the JFK highway, many elderly people have been unable to go to places they want to participate in. I urge the authorities to consider the needs of the general public and fully open the highway as soon as possible, so that everyone has the opportunity to enjoy the resources in the park. Thanks!

Hongwen Zhu

Wed, Feb 9, 2:32 PM (8 days ago)

Dear FAMSF Board of Trustees,

I strongly urge you to oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park. As a 45 year resident of the Sunset District, I know the perils of the closure.

While JFK Drive was temporarily closed to allow for additional open space during the COVID-19 pandemic, permanent closure would be detrimental to many San Francisco residents. As the City begins to transition to pre-pandemic levels of activity, it is critical you reopen the road.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Louis Chan 45 year resident of the Sunset district Dear FAMSF Board of Trustees,

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**Grant Ingram** 

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Grace Mai Sent from my iPhone

## Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Keon Ngai. 我不同意永久關閉金門公園行車道,星期一至五對上班和上學一族帶來不便,交通會變得越來越擁擠。或者只在假日關閉,大家都可以互相享用道路。因為很多人都通過這條道路的。會對道路使用者非常不公平。想進入de Young 博物館更加困難。希望有關當局認真考慮一下。保持開放JFK DR. 多謝。

Keon Ngai

Thu, Feb 10, 12:10 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I'm Keon Ngai. I don't agree with the permanent closure of Golden Gate Park lanes. It will be inconvenient for commuters to work and school from Monday to Friday, and the traffic will become more and more congested. Or it's only closed on holidays and everyone can enjoy each other's roads. Because a lot of people have gone through this road. Very unfair to road users. Getting into the de Young Museum is even more difficult. I hope the relevant authorities will seriously consider it. Keep it open JFK DR. Thanks.

你好,我叫金立三,關閉這些交通車道會給老年人進入公園以享受博物館和其他場所造成困難。Having these traffic lanes closed creating difficulties accessing the park for elders to enjoy the museum and other venues. therefore, I strongly oppose jfk drive closure

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Pat Kelly

Translate message

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View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

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Again, I strongly oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Jamie Ho

### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

你好,我叫You Yu Wu,可以分流车辆,减少交通堵塞,方便出行。我反對永久關閉金門公園的JFKdr。谢谢

## View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

Hello, my name is You Yu Wu, I can divert vehicles, reduce traffic congestion and facilitate travel. I am against JFKdr permanently closing Golden Gate Park. thanks

# Chinese (Traditional)

English

### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是Yang ma. 我認為JFK Dr 必須保持開放。不能關閉. 原因是對普通民眾造成嚴重困擾。由其是住在附近居民更難以進入園內活動,很多學校和社區活動都在金門公園舉行,封鎖道路要令很多學生和年長人士需要步行更遠的路,阻礙社區發展。希望SFMTA不要做錯決定。

Yang Ma

Fri, Feb 11, 8:19 AM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I'm Yang ma. I think JFK Dr has to stay open. It cannot be closed. The reason is that it causes serious distress to ordinary people. Because it is more difficult for residents living nearby to enter the park for activities, many school and community activities are held in Golden Gate Park, blocking the road will make many students and seniors need to walk further, hindering the development of the community. Hope SFMTA doesn't make the wrong decision.

Chinese

English

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese

致政府有关部门:部门

我是Chuping Xie,现请求政府尽快开放JFK Drive,让车辆可以恢复正常通行。自封路已来引致的交通问题随着疫情的过去及各行各业逐渐回复运作已经变得越来越严重。我作为住在日落区的居民,每天自己要上班、还要送小孩上学,使用JFK Drive 的机会很多,但每次穿过金门公园时,由于部分路段的封闭,要花费更多的时间绕路出行,造成很多不方便。同时也因为封路,很多车辆得不到分流,遇到严重堵车是很经常的事。希望相关部门尽快开放该公路回复正常通车。谢谢!

Chuping Xie

Xie, Chuping

Sun, Feb 13, 4:32 PM (17 hours ago)

Chinese

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese

To the relevant government departments: Departments

My name is Chuping Xie, and I request the government to open JFK Drive as soon as possible so that vehicles can resume normal traffic. The traffic problems caused by the self-closure of roads have become more and more serious as the epidemic passes and various industries gradually resume operations. As a resident of the Sunset District, I have to go to work and send my children to school every day. I have many opportunities to use JFK Drive, but every time I pass through Golden Gate Park, due to the closure of some sections of the road, it takes more time to detour Travel, causing a lot of inconvenience. At the same time, due to road closures, many vehicles cannot be diverted, and it is very common to encounter serious traffic jams. It is hoped that the relevant departments will open the road to normal traffic as soon as possible. Thanks!

Chuping Xie

## Chinese (Traditional)

English

## Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我是三藩市居民。我叫 Woot Hung Lee.

關閉了行車道令很多人難以進入博物館和科學院。非常不便。也令好多人選擇去其他地方。希望不要通過這措施。必須開放道路才方便民眾通行。

woot Hung Lee

Fri, Feb 11, 12:34 PM (7 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

### View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

I am a resident of San Francisco. My name is Woot Hung Lee.

The closure of traffic lanes has made it difficult for many to enter the museum and the Academy of Sciences. Very inconvenient. It also makes many people choose to go elsewhere. I hope this measure will not be passed. Roads must be opened to facilitate the passage of people.

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

你好, 我叫余婉先,

我照顧行動有困難的老人家,他們需要在公園散步,關閉了行車道,增加了障礙,對他們不公平。

因此,我反對永久關閉金門公園的JFKdr行車道。

谢谢

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

Hello, my name is Yu Wanxian,

I take care of elderly people with mobility issues who need to take a walk in the park, closing the traffic lanes, adding obstacles and unfair to them.

Therefore, I am against the permanent closure of the JFKdr lanes in Golden Gate Park.

thanks

Subject line: JFK Drive Closure

Opposing the permanent closure of JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park

## Email body:

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Vera Bolinsky Dear FAMSF Board of Trustees,

JFK Drive is a Drive for automobiles, it is not now and never will be known as JFK Drive Promenade! I strongly urge you to oppose the permanent closure of JFK Drive to automobiles in Golden Gate Park.

While JFK Drive was temporarily closed to allow for additional open space during the COVID-19 pandemic, permanent closure would be detrimental to many San Francisco residents, myself included. As the City begins to transition to prepandemic levels of activity, it is critical you reopen the road.

Here are my reasons JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park must remain open:

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Best,

Tristee N. Thomson

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Tommy Au

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Terri

### Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

你好·我是Susan Liu,我是支持開放JFK大道的。我和2個孩子每周都會到金門公園遊玩。這裡很需要有有暢順的交通才能夠順利進行活動。但是在公園行車 道踏單車的年輕人·往往橫沖直撞·對長者及殘障人士造成危險·霸佔了長者使用公園的權利。希望SFMTA不要關閉行車道。

## View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

Hello, my name is Susan Liu, and I support the opening of JFK Avenue. My 2 kids and I go to Golden Gate Park every week. It is necessary to have smooth traffic here to carry out the activities smoothly. However, young people riding bicycles on the park lanes often run amok, posing danger to the elderly and the disabled, and occupying the right of the elderly to use the park. Hopefully SFMTA doesn't close the traffic lanes.



Wed, Feb 9, 6:27 PM (17 hours ago)

# Chinese (Traditional) English

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

我叫Wei Jian Liu. 我是三藩市居民住列治民區已經有20年。對三藩市政策感到失望。關閉了行車道令我們更加難以進入公園散步和玩耍。必須保持開放才方便所有人使用公園。我有2個小朋友。逢星期六日都要去到金門公園娛樂。泊車泊到好遠非常不方便。強烈反對關閉行車道。

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

Hello, my name is Yu Xindi,

I don't agree with closing the Golden Gate Park lanes permanently, inconvenient for commuters to work and school from Monday to Friday, or only on holidays, so everyone can enjoy each other's roads.

Therefore, I am against the permanent closure of the JFKdr lanes in Golden Gate Park.

# Chinese (Traditional)

English

Translate message

Turn off for: Chinese (Traditional)

你好, 我叫余新娣,

我不同意永久關閉金門公園行車道,星期一至五對上班和上學一族帶來不便,或者只在假日關閉,大家都可以互相享用道路。

因此,我反對永久關閉金門公園的JFKdr行車道。

Sun Tai Yee

Thu, Feb 10, 10:28 AM (8 days ago)

Chinese (Traditional)

English

View original message

Always translate: Chinese (Traditional)

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Steve Chung