FOLSOM STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The Folsom Streetscape Improvement project lies on Folsom Street in the Mission District between 19th Street and Cesar Chavez Street. Planned improvements seek to improve the safety, accessibility, and aesthetic qualities of Folsom Street. Considered the central spine of the local neighborhood and regarded for its lush tree canopy, the community has highlighted this segment as a “green connector” and a priority for streetscape regeneration.

A COORDINATED EFFORT
The San Francisco Department of Public Works and Municipal Transportation Agency has led the streetscape improvement project that will increase safety and efficiency on Folsom Street. Previously, through the Eastern Neighborhoods planning process, the community has set priorities on the location and type of streetscape improvements needed. Through inter-department collaboration and community input the streetscape concept has been incorporated into the city’s General Plan, and public workshops for the Mission Streetscape Plan in 2009-2010 has led to overwhelming community support for this project.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND STEWARSHIP
The Folsom Streetscape Improvement Project was derived from the community engagement efforts in the planning of the Mission Streetscape Plan led by the city’s Planning Department. The plan’s goals promote greening of streets and districts and re-imagine public space.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS
• Resurface and restripe the roadway.
• Install bike lanes and conversion of the street from four lanes to two.
• Construct bus bulb-outs, creating more comfortable waiting areas and improving transit operations.
• Plant 42 new street trees, highlighting Folsom as a neighborhood “green connector.”

Estimate Project Cost: $4.9 million
Project Team:
Project Manager: John Dennis
Project Lead: David Froehlich
Schedule:
Construction Began: February 2013
Construction Completed: November 2013

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