

# WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS

#### TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

**FEBRUARY 15, 2024** 

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

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### WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **PURPOSE**

- Present Conceptual Design to the TIC
- Respond to Questions by Commissioners
- 3. Request TIC vote: Support the conceptual design, with comments as applicable

Recommend conceptual design for City Council meeting on 3/19/24



Elmwood

Claremont

#### Note:

Markups based on the as-presented version by City staff during the February 15, 2024 Transportation & Infrastructure Commission meeting



#### **WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS**

### **PROJECT LOCATION & GOALS**

#### Woolsey-Fulton Bike Blvd. Project (WFBB)

- <u>Safety improvements</u> for pedestrians and bicyclists, especially at major crossings
- Fills gap in Citywide bike network: Ashby BART to Southside area

#### Shattuck-MLK Bus Stops Project (SMBS)

- <u>Safety improvements</u> for pedestrians
- Improve <u>transit reliability</u>
- Bus stop <u>amenities</u>





### WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS **FUNDING**

- \$2.612M grant from State of California Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) program
  - ➤ WFBB & SMBS Projects are the City's obligation toward AHSC funding for affordable housing private development at Adeline/Ashby.
- Alameda County Measures B& BB discretionary funds







Currently in Conceptual Design phase

Conceptual Design Detailed Design Bid & Award Construction

#### Schedule is subject to change

- Finalize concepts in March 2024
- City Council approval of concepts in March 2024
- Complete design by end of 2024
- Construction in 2025

Must complete construction by Q1 2026

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#### **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

- Project websites
- Postcards to 2,000+ addresses
- Concepts for review and comment:

1/16/24 - 2/14/24

- Public meeting on 1/31/24
- TIC meeting on 2/15/24

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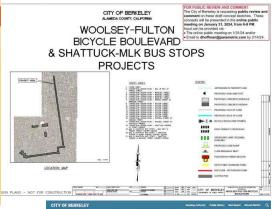
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Council meeting on 3/19/24



City of Berkeley Woolsey-Fulton Bike Boulevard

and Shattuck-MLK Bus Stops









- <u>Comment</u>: Significant opposition to the proposed diverter at Fulton/Derby.
  - <u>City</u>: Removed from project scope
  - ➤ Diverter intended to balance vehicle volumes at intersection of 2 proposed bike boulevards
  - ➤ Will be studied in more detail as part of a future Derby bike boulevard





- <u>Comment</u>: Why don't the conceptual designs for Shattuck/Russell and Shattuck/Woolsey follow the recommendations in the Bike Plan?
  - ➤ City: Bike Plan recommends Median + RRFB
  - ➤ Bike Plan provides <u>recommendations</u> at a planning level to be evaluated on a project-specific basis
  - ➤ Space constraints at both intersections preclude installation of median refuges
  - Proposed bulbouts should slow traffic and improve sightlines





- <u>Comment</u>: Consider installing 4-ways stops at Shattuck/Russell and Shattuck/Woolsey.
  - City: Consider context, resulting vehicle behavior, congestion, collision history
  - ➤ Upcoming Bike plan revision aims to address policy of 4-way stops along bikeways



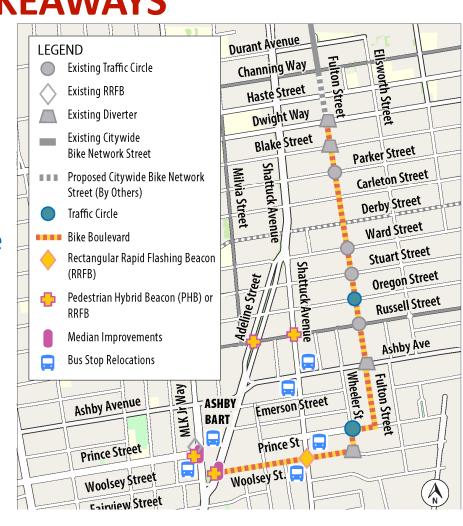


- <u>Comment</u>: Can a PHB be installed at Shattuck/Russell?
  - ➤ <u>City</u>: PHBs typically used for locations with multiple lane approaches
  - Shattuck/Russell is intersection of 2 two-lane streets
  - > RRFB more appropriate at this location
  - ➤ Will look into relocating PHB to Shattuck/Russell and RRFB to Adeline/Russell



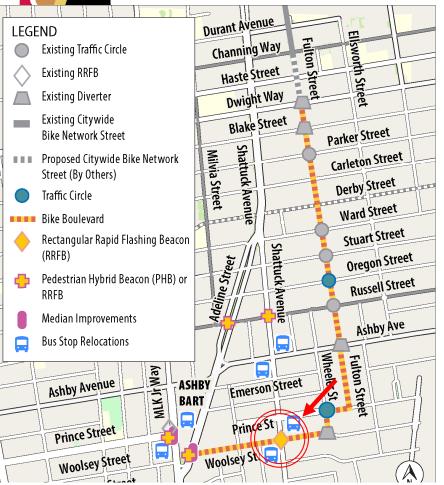


- <u>Comment</u>: Consider installing mid-block speed tables on every block of the proposed bike boulevard.
  - City: Require speed studies, consider emergency vehicles
  - Can review during detailed design phase
  - Several intersections have or will have traffic circles (5 in 7 blocks)





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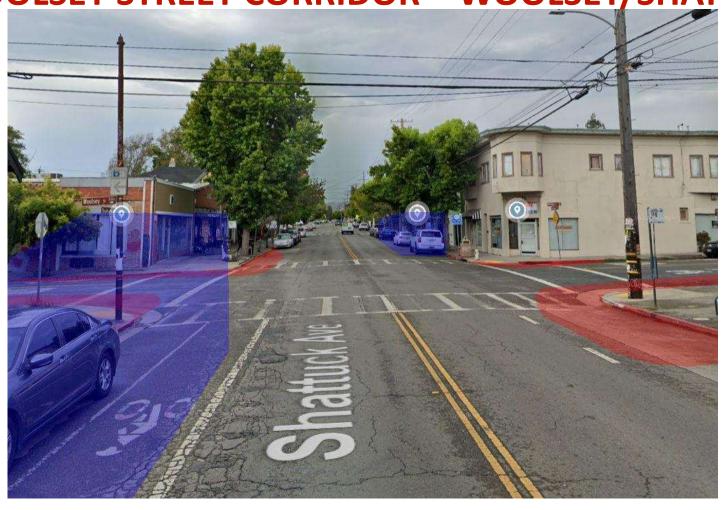


- RRFBs and sidewalk bulbouts at Woolsey/Shattuck intersection
- Woolsey St. is a proposed Bicycle Boulevard
- Bus stop relocations to far sides of intersection



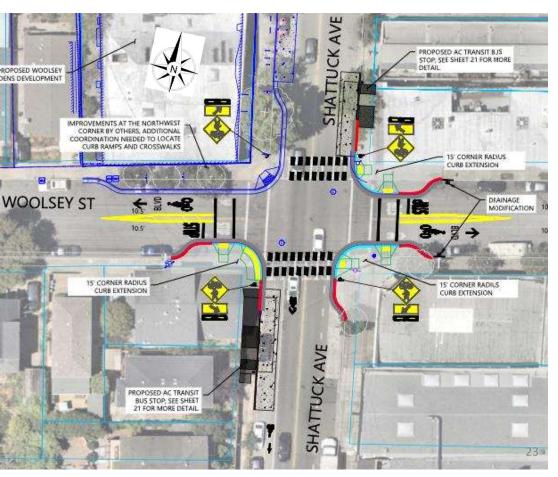
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**WOOLSEY STREET CORRIDOR – WOOLSEY/SHATTUCK** 





## WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS WOOLSEY STREET CORRIDOR — WOOLSEY/SHATTUCK



- RRFB buttons at curb ramps and reachable by bicyclists
- Bus Stops move to far sides of intersection on Shattuck Ave.
  - ➤ Bus stop amenities TBD depending on available space
- Coordinating with development project at northwest corner



# WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS WOOLSEY STREET CORRIDOR — WOOLSEY/SHATTUCK



Infeasible to install a median refuge due to space constraints:

- Bus stops
- Curb extensions at NW corner
- Turn movements for emergency and solid waste vehicles



## WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS WOOLSEY STREET CORRIDOR — WOOLSEY/ADELINE



- PHB/RRFB and median improvements at Woolsey/Adeline intersection
- Consider future Adeline Corridor project
- Connection to Ashby BART station
- Coordinating with upcoming BART bicycle access improvements work at Ashby station

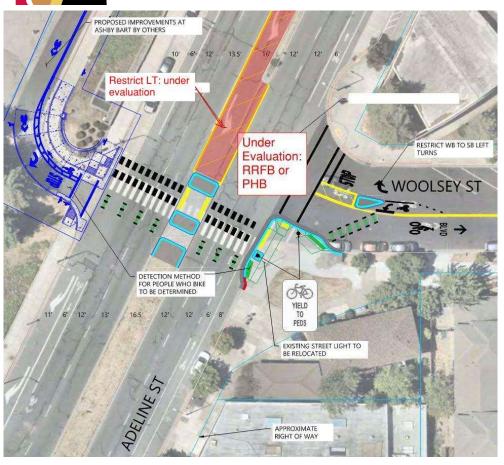


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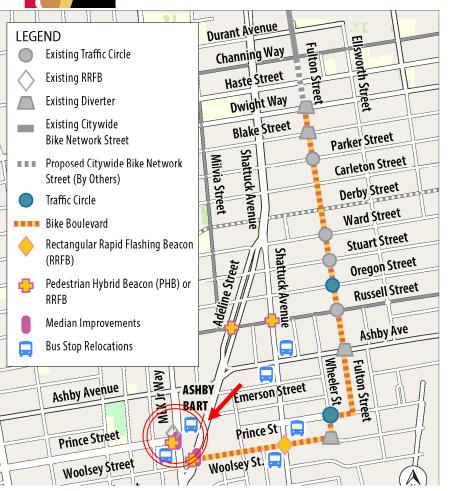
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- PHB is per recommendation in Bicycle
  Plan
  - ➤ Evaluated for suitability at this intersection
- Considering RRFB (swap PHB/RRFB with MLK/Prince)
  - ➤ Future Adeline project
- Left turn restriction on westbound Woolsey
  - Evaluating potential left turn restriction on southbound Adeline
- Separated pedestrian and bike crossing
- 27 across Adeline



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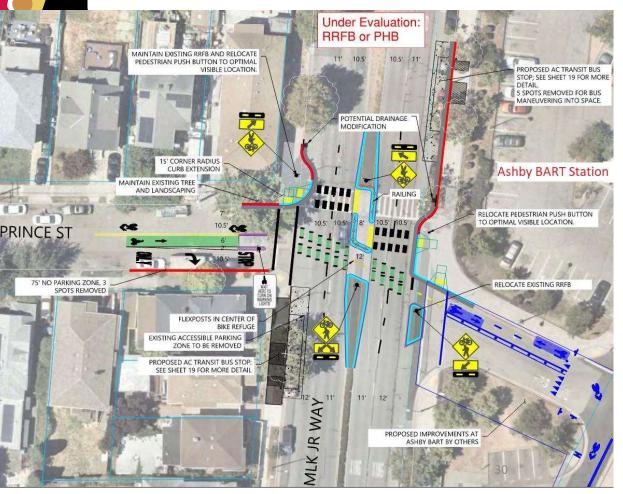
- Reuse existing RRFBs
- Considering PHB (swap PHB/RRFB with Adeline/Woolsey)
- Median refuges and sidewalk bulbouts
- Bus stop relocations to far sides of intersection



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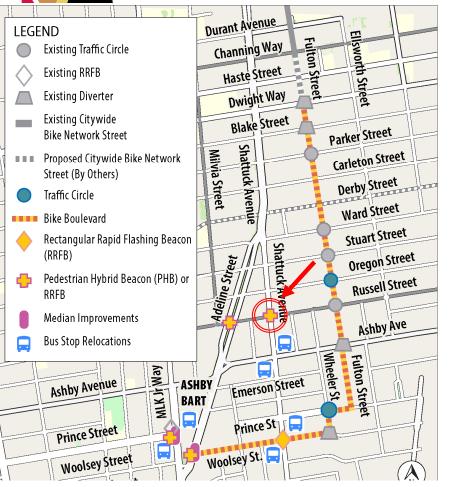




- Widen median: pedestrian and bike refuges
- Offset crosswalk
- Sidewalk bulbouts shorten crossing distances
- Coordinating with upcoming BART access improvements at Ashby station
- Bus stop amenities TBD depending on available space



# WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS RUSSELL/SHATTUCK



- RRFBs and sidewalk bulbouts at Russell/Shattuck intersection
  - >RRFBs appropriate for use
- Considering PHB (swap PHB/RRFB with Adeline/Russell)
  - ► PHB not ideal
- Russell St. is a Bicycle Boulevard

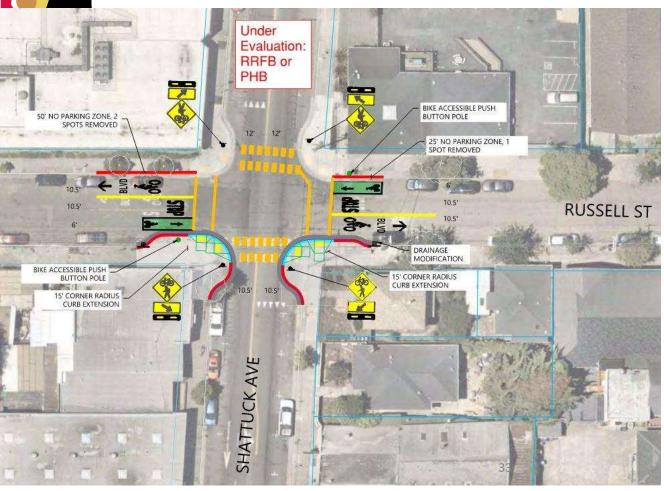


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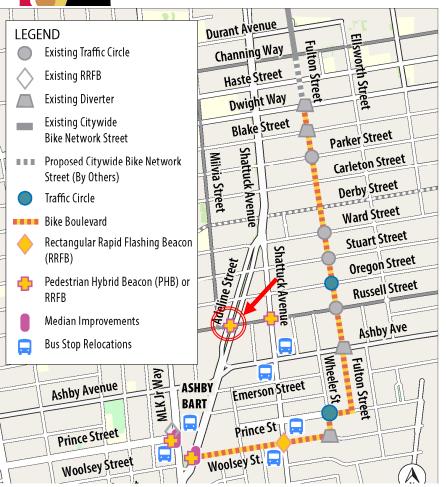
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- Existing curb ramps at northwest and northeast corners
- New curb ramps at southwest and southeast corners
- RRFB buttons at curb ramps and reachable by bicyclists



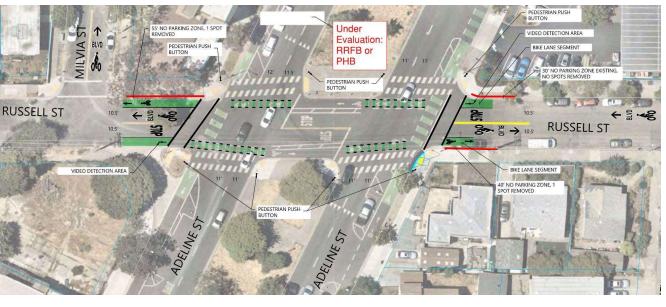
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- PHB at Russell/Adeline intersection
- PHB is per recommendation in Bicycle Plan
  - Evaluated for suitability at this intersection
- Considering RRFB (swap RRFB/PHB with Shattuck/Russell)
  - > Depends in part on operational issues
- Russell St. is a Bicycle Boulevard



# WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS RUSSELL STREET CORRIDOR —RUSSELL/ADELINE



- Long crossing evaluating one- vs. two-stage
   PHB/RRFB activation
- Consider multiple conflict points and width of median
- Connects to Milvia St.
  Bicycle Boulevard and
  Adeline St. bike lanes



# WOOLSEY-FULTON BIKE BOULEVARD & SHATTUCK-MLK BUS STOPS SAFETY PROJECTS

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

WFBB Project Website

https://berkeleyca.gov/your-government/our-work/capital-projects/woolsey-fulton-bicycle-boulevard-project-wfbb

SMBS Project Website

https://berkeleyca.gov/your-government/our-work/capital-projects/shattuck-mlk-bus-stops-project