Public Safety Goals for 2023

Results of the January 9, 2023 Public Safety Meeting hosted by

- Lower Haight Merchant & Neighbor Association (LoHaMNA)
- Hayes Valley Public Safety Committee
- Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association (HVNA)

Goal #1 Increase public safety in 2023 for pedestrians and bicycle riders along the Octavia Corridor and side streets, especially Page Street:

Many at the meeting expressed concern about traffic safety along Page near Octavia. One attendee had three near misses in one day along Page while walking and while riding his bicycle.

We ask SFMTA & SFPD to make and implement plans that improve public safety and to increase the enforcement of traffic laws in this area.

Goal #2 Maintain the Beat Officer Patrols and the Community Ambassador program in Hayes Valley, increase the frequency of these patrols, and expand them to include the Lower Haight. *Many residents and business owners feel these programs help in public safety and want them to continue.*

We ask District 5 Supervisor Dean Preston & Northern Station to maintain and expand these programs to include the southern part of their district, including Lower Haight, for these demonstrated public safety tools.

Goal #3 Increase public safety for residents and businesses, especially at night, around the Safeway parking lot on Webster Street.

Many businesses are suffering from an increase in crime and vandalism around this area. Residents do not feel safe with all the activity in the parking lot.

We ask Northern Station & SFPD to increase the patrols and work with community groups to make this part of the Lower Fillmore safer for all to enjoy.

GOAL #4 Increase public safety and response to trash pick-up requests around the Ivy/Buchanan intersection and the Korean American Center at 745 Buchanan.

A resident of the area spends a lot of time picking up garbage, needles, and human waste and leaving in bags and calling 311 but with poor response to pick-up requests. The area is also a magnet for drug users, with little police patrol.

We ask Call Centers 311 & 415.553.0123 (non-emergency SFPD number) to provide a better response to calls for trash pick-up and for complaints about activities occurring in the area. We ask SF SAFE to work in this area to set up a Neighborhood Watch Program. There are several Stay Away Orders for particular individuals who have been harassing residents for many years.

We ask Community Liaison for District 5, Ada Courtney Burris, to follow-up on any situations with these individuals to keep the area safe.

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