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BART to begin canopy construction over the Powell station entrance at 5th and Market Street

Community Stakeholders:

In late November 2024, BART will begin construction of a new entrance canopy over the BART entrance on the south side of Market Street near 5th Street (900 Block).

Prior to the start of canopy construction, the contractor will install a chain link fence on the street level surrounding the station entrance near the corner of 5th and Market Street. All public access to that station entrance will be closed at both the street and station levels for the duration of the project. The canopy construction is anticipated to begin in late November 2024 and will be complete by early Summer 2025.

The chain link enclosure surrounding the work site will allow visibility from the street for the safety of pedestrians using the sidewalk. The contractor will establish a 7' ft. pedestrian pathway between the work enclosure and the building frontage along Market Street. The work enclosure will remain in place until canopy construction has been completed.

Construction hours during the weekdays will be from 7am to 7pm. There may be the need for occasional weeknight work from 8pm to 5am, but no weekend work is planned at this time. Construction-related noise will not exceed contract and permit limits. Construction equipment used at the site will include crane, forklift, compressor, rivet buster in combination with other hand tools to complete the work and some of this equipment will be stored inside the work enclosure as needed. In the beginning of the project there will be demolition work to remove the existing entrance walls. The canopy contractor will be responsible for daily site maintenance and graffiti removal on the work enclosure structure and project-related signage.

BART is constructing a total of 21 street-level canopies over downtown station entrances. BART has completed construction of 13 units (including 2 pilot canopies) with 3 more canopies currently under construction and 5 additional canopies to be constructed through 2026. These entrance canopies will protect the new escalator equipment and reduce maintenance costs. In addition, canopies will include wayfinding, lighting, real-time information, and security cameras on Market Street.

Simultaneously, BART's Escalator Renovation Project is replacing 41 escalator units in the four downtown stations at both platform and street levels. These escalators are original to the BART system and have outlived their expected mechanical life, frequently requiring repairs. To date, BART has completed installation of 15 units, 4 are currently under construction, and there are 22 remaining escalator units to be completed through 2026.

Thank you for your patience as we work to complete this important escalator replacement project.

For more information on this project visit: bart.gov/about/planning/sfentrances

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