



SAVE OUR SMALL BUSINESSES

INITIATIVE ORDINANCE



San Francisco
Planning

Introduced by
Mayor London Breed
on June 16, 2020

For the **November 3rd,**
2020 Election

Projected election
certification **mid-**
December 2020

CITY-WIDE/MULTI-AGENCY CHANGES

REQUIRES

A 30-day **streamlined review & inspection process** for principally permitted uses in NCDs

REQUIRES

that in cases of City error, permits to remedy are prioritized and fees are waived

ESTABLISHES POLICY

to allow restaurant table service in parklets

SECURES

the Initiative's provisions for **3 years**, except to liberalize



NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS



ELIMINATES

neighborhood notification
for principally permitted uses in
NC Districts, LCUs and LCCUs



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NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS



REMOVES RESTRICTIONS

on specific uses in most NC Districts:

Arts Activities & Social Service or Philanthropic Facilities are **principally permitted**

Non-Retail Sales and Services are **principally permitted on the second floor**

General Entertainment, Movie Theaters, Community Facilities, Restaurants, Limited Restaurants, Animal Hospitals, and Retail Professional Services are **liberalized**



Table 710. NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL CLUSTER DISTRICT NC-1 ZONING

CONTROL TABLE

NON-RESIDENTIAL STANDARDS AND USES	§ References	Controls by Story		
		1st	2nd	3rd+
Entertainment, Arts, and Recreation Use Category				
Arts Activities	§102	<u>NP-P</u>	<u>NP-P</u>	<u>NP-P</u>
Entertainment, General	§102	<u>C-P</u>	<u>NP-P</u>	NP
<i>Movie Theater</i>	<u>§102, 202.4</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>
Institutional Use Category				
<i>Community Facility</i>	<u>§102</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>
Public Facility	§102	<u>C-P</u>	<u>C-P</u>	<u>C-P</u>
<i>Social Service or Philanthropic Facility</i>	<u>§102</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>
Sales and Service Use Category				
Animal Hospital	§102	<u>NP-P</u>	<u>NP-P</u>	NP

Bar	§102	P(2)(6)	NP	NP
<i>Restaurant</i>	<u>§102, 202.2(a)</u>	<u>P(3)</u>	<u>P(3)</u>	<u>NP</u>
<i>Restaurant, Limited</i>	<u>§102, 202.2(a)</u>	<u>P(3)</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>NP</u>
Services, Retail Professional	§102	P	<u>NP-P</u>	<u>NP-P</u>
<i>Service, Non-Retail Professional</i>	<u>§102</u>	<u>NP</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>NP</u>

UPDATED NC-1 ZONING CONTROL TABLE



RETAIL WORKSPACE



ALLOWS

**retail workspace (e.g. co-working)
in connection with **Eating and Drinking Uses:****

As an accessory
use during the
daytime for dinner-
only restaurants,
or

As a principal use
at any time so long
as the front 1/3 of
the space is a café
open to the public



TEMPORARY USES



temporary uses in bars and entertainment venues for up to **four years**



60-day “pop-up” retail in vacant commercial storefronts



OTHER USES



ELIMINATES

additional restrictions for NC-1 parcels, LCUs and LCCUs based on proximity to Named NC Districts



ELIMINATES

CU requirement for **Outdoor Activity Areas in NC Districts between 9 am and 10 pm, except for bars**



DEFINITIONS



the definition of a **Social Service or Philanthropic Facility** to allow associated on-site office use



the definition of a **Bona Fide Eating Place** to include an additional methodology for qualifying such uses





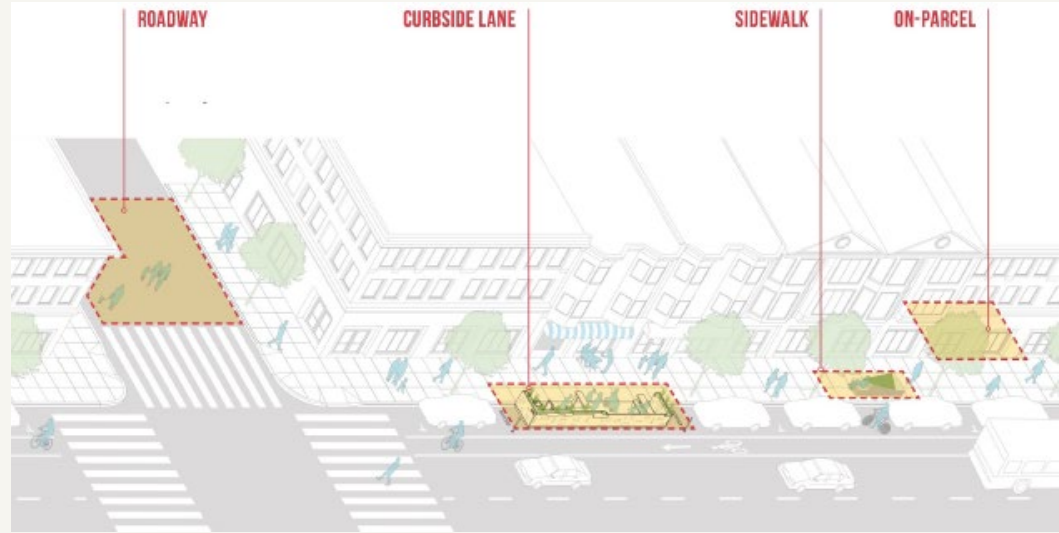
IMPLEMENTATION



SHARED SPACES UPDATE

Locations

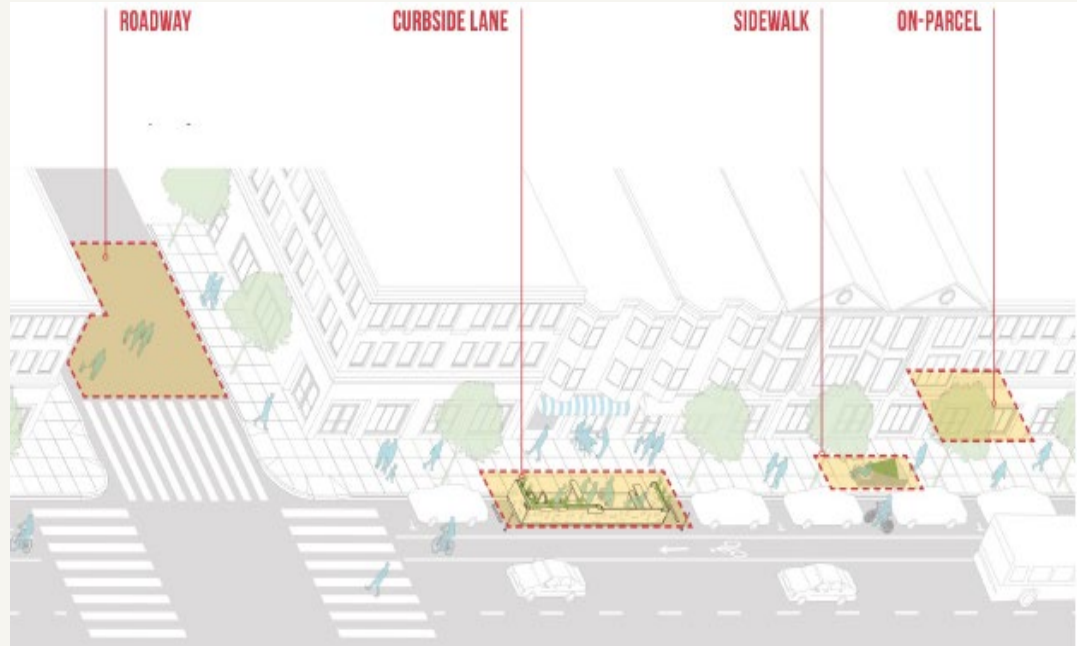
- Sidewalks
- Curbside lanes
- Roadway
- Parks, plazas, and city-owned open spaces
- On-parcel / Open lots



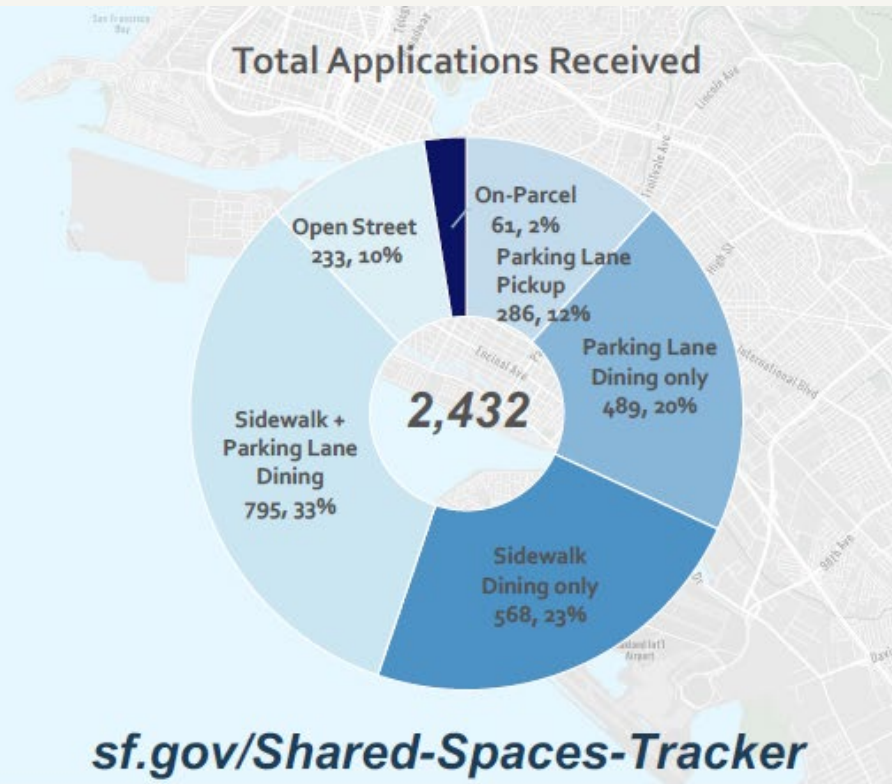
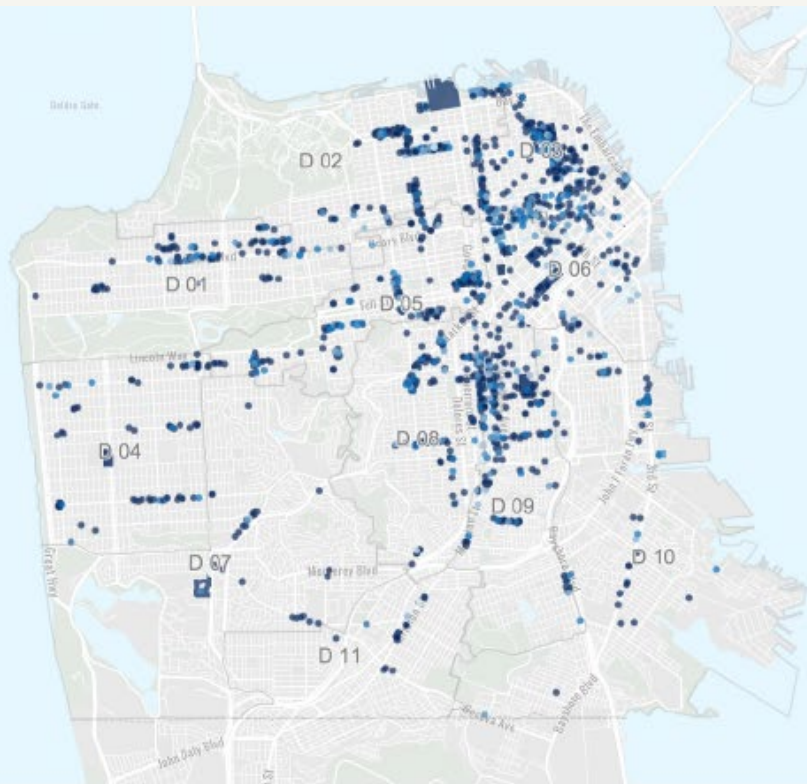
SHARED SPACES UPDATE

Uses

- Curbside pickup
- Outdoor retail
- Physically distanced queuing
- Outdoor dining
- Personal services
- Entertainment
- Possible inclusion of arts, culture, and institutional uses



SHARED SPACES APPLICATIONS



sf.gov/Shared-Spaces-Tracker



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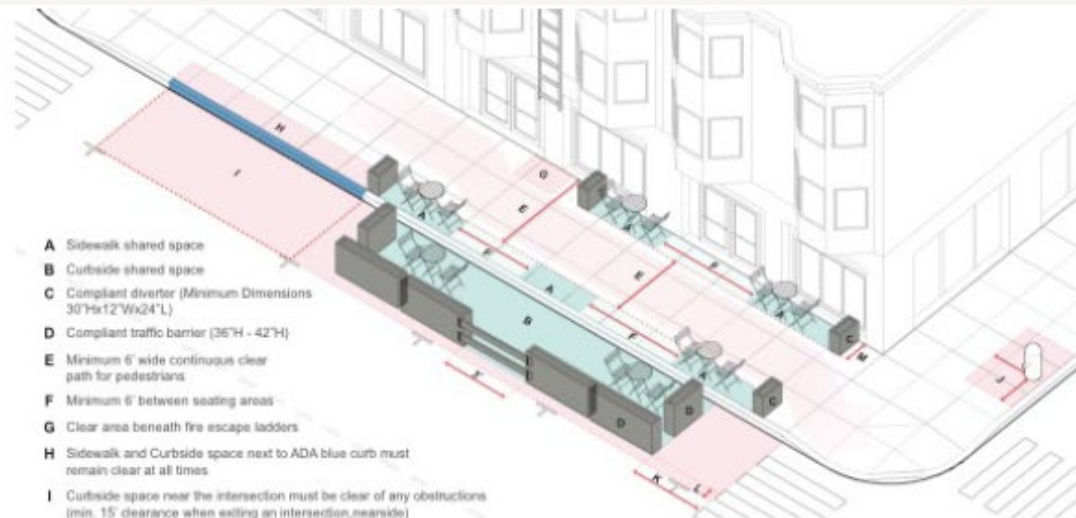
SIDEWALKS AND CURBSIDE: SITE DESIGN

San Francisco
**Shared
Spaces**
sf.gov/sharedspaces

Shared Spaces Design Guidelines

Using the sidewalk or parking lane for your business

sf.gov/SharedSpaces | v. 10.1.2020



- A** Sidewalk shared space
- B** Curbside shared space
- C** Compliant diverter (Minimum Dimensions 30"Hx12"Wx24"L)
- D** Compliant traffic barrier (36"H - 42"H)
- E** Minimum 6' wide continuous clear path for pedestrians
- F** Minimum 6' between seating areas
- G** Clear area beneath fire escape ladders
- H** Sidewalk and Curbside space next to ADA blue curb must remain clear at all times
- I** Curbside space near the intersection must be clear of any obstructions (min. 15' clearance when exiting an intersection, nearside)
- J** 4' clear around a fire hydrant or fire connection
- K** 8' clearance when entering an intersection (farside)
- L** 1' clear between edge barrier and traffic lane
- M** Minimum 2' wide diverter at approximately 90 degrees flush with building

Before you build a structure, consider:

- A comfortable space can be provided with compliant traffic barriers and furniture to assist your business operations. Additional structures are not necessary to implement a Shared Space.
- If you can provide equivalent accessible amenities on the sidewalk or via an accessible ramp, a structure or platform is not required to [make your Shared Space accessible](#).



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SIDEWALKS AND CURBSIDE: SITE DESIGN

Emergency Responder Access and Safety

Shared Spaces Design Guidelines 

Emergency responders utilize the most direct path to access a building from the street to assist citizens in need of medical attention or for firefighting operations. Obstructing emergency access may lead to immediate danger to health or life safety. The following safety guidelines are required:

- A **minimum 3-foot-wide emergency access gap**, with vertical and horizontal clearance, is required for every 20 feet of structure length, or from existing adjacent Shared Spaces structures, parklets, or other structures in the parking lane. (See Figure 1)
- The gap must be kept clear of any tables and chairs or other elements, as well as barricading. The barrier must be easily removable by emergency personnel (see Figure 2).



Figure 1

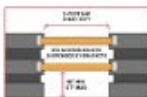


Figure 2



Figure 3

- The sidewalk space between the curb and the building and each 3-foot-wide emergency access opening **shall remain clear of fixed overhead obstructions** (string lights, canopies, decorations, heaters, wires, poles, etc.) at all times, as ladders and other emergency equipment may need to be carried through the opening to the building.
- All cables, cords, or wires used for temporary parklet lighting and speakers shall be run at ground level and completely covered with approved ADA accessible cable ramps (1/2" slope) (see Figure 3). Taping down or stringing **overhead wires are NOT permitted**.
- No part of the structure shall exceed 10 feet in height** (including poles, posts, canopies, wires, string lights, signs, or pergolas) while still complying with the maximum 42 inch high enclosure construction requirements above. If constructing a structure where **fixed overhead wires** are present, the top of the structure (including any roof) must not be taller than 9' from the road surface.
- The **address** for each storefront or building where the structure is constructed shall be displayed at a height of 36-42 inches on the street-facing side of the enclosure wall/guardrail and readily visible for emergency responders. Address numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches tall (5/8 inch wide stroke) with black numbers on a white background.
- The **temporary use of propane (LPG) heaters require a SFFD operational permit**. A site plan with the desired location of each heater is required at time of application. A final on-site SFFD permit inspection will be conducted to ensure the proper spacing of heaters from combustibles and emergency access/egress. (www.sf-fire.org or 628-652-3260 for more information)

Accessibility

Shared Spaces Design Guidelines 

The proposed structure shall be designed, constructed and/or conform to the applicable provisions, rules, regulations and guidelines of the San Francisco Building Code (SFBBC) and Americans with Disabilities Act 2010 Standards accessibility requirements (ADAAG). All structures must also follow our accessibility rules to use the parking lane for your business:

sf.gov/information/make-your-shared-space-accessible

See diagram for reference.

- Accessible Deck Surface:** The portion of the parklet deck connected by the accessible path of travel to the wheelchair turning space and wheelchair resting space must be level. The accessible deck surface maximum cross slope (perpendicular to the sidewalk or curb) cannot exceed 1:48 (2%). The accessible deck surface maximum running slope (parallel to the curb) cannot exceed 1:48 (2%).
- Accessible entry:** minimum 48 inches wide
- Accessible path of travel:** It must connect the sidewalk to the accessible entry, deck surfaces, wheelchair turning space and wheelchair resting space
- Wheelchair turning space:** Shall be 60 inches in diameter and located entirely within the platform; a 12-inch maximum overlap on the curb and sidewalk is acceptable.
- Wheelchair landing:** A 30- by 48-inch clear floor area. It's permitted to overlap with the Wheelchair Turning Space by 24 inches maximum in any orientation
- If your business gets a Shared Space permit on a street that **exceeds a 5% grade**, you will receive additional accessibility information with your permit.
- The slope and cross-slope of accessible areas must not exceed 2%.** In some cases, a platform or deck may assist in meeting slope and cross-slope accessibility requirements.
- You must take the appropriate actions to be accessible and safe.**



Enclosure

Shared Spaces Design Guidelines 

Your enclosure must comply with the following requirements:

- Stable and sturdy** enough not to fall over or be pushed over. If you're building a platform as part of your structure, all walls and enclosure structures must be secured to the platform for structural stability.
- Height:** Enclosure should range between 36 inches and 42 inches tall for the long edge (parallel to parking lane), and 17 inches minimum for side buffer (perpendicular to parking lane).
- You may install panels taller than 42 inches to separate tables or act as wind barriers, you will have to use transparent materials like Acrylicite, Plexiglass, plastic films, etcetera. Panels must be secured, stable, and sturdy.
- Visibility:** The enclosure should not block the view of traffic, including pedestrian traffic, nor block the view of traffic control devices such as traffic signs, traffic signals, and other traffic warning devices. It should not obstruct motorists' visibility of traffic signals from 200 feet away (about half a block).
- You must mark the edges or corners of your enclosure with **high intensity retro-reflective tape or reflectors to be visible at night**.
- If the structure spans more than one parking space (20 feet), you will need to provide a 3-foot gap every 20 feet (simulating parked cars) in the enclosure for **emergency access**. The deck or platform may be continuous, but other elements must not obstruct this gap. You must use ADA barriers that are easily removable by emergency personnel (see Emergency Responder Access and Safety section).
- All enclosures must follow the [Shared Spaces accessibility rules](http://sf.gov/SharedSpaces/accessibility/rules).



Enclosure example

Maintain visual connection with the sidewalk while providing a safe enclosure



Image for reference only. (Image by Shared Spaces)

Do not block visibility

If you want to use partitions higher than 42 inches, use see-through, transparent materials.



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Furniture

- Follow same guidance for Shared Spaces [seating or dining](http://sf.gov/SharedSpaces/seating-or-dining)
- Follow [sf.gov/SharedSpaces/distancing protocols](http://sf.gov/SharedSpaces/distancing-protocols)



SHARED SPACES POLICY AND LEGISLATION

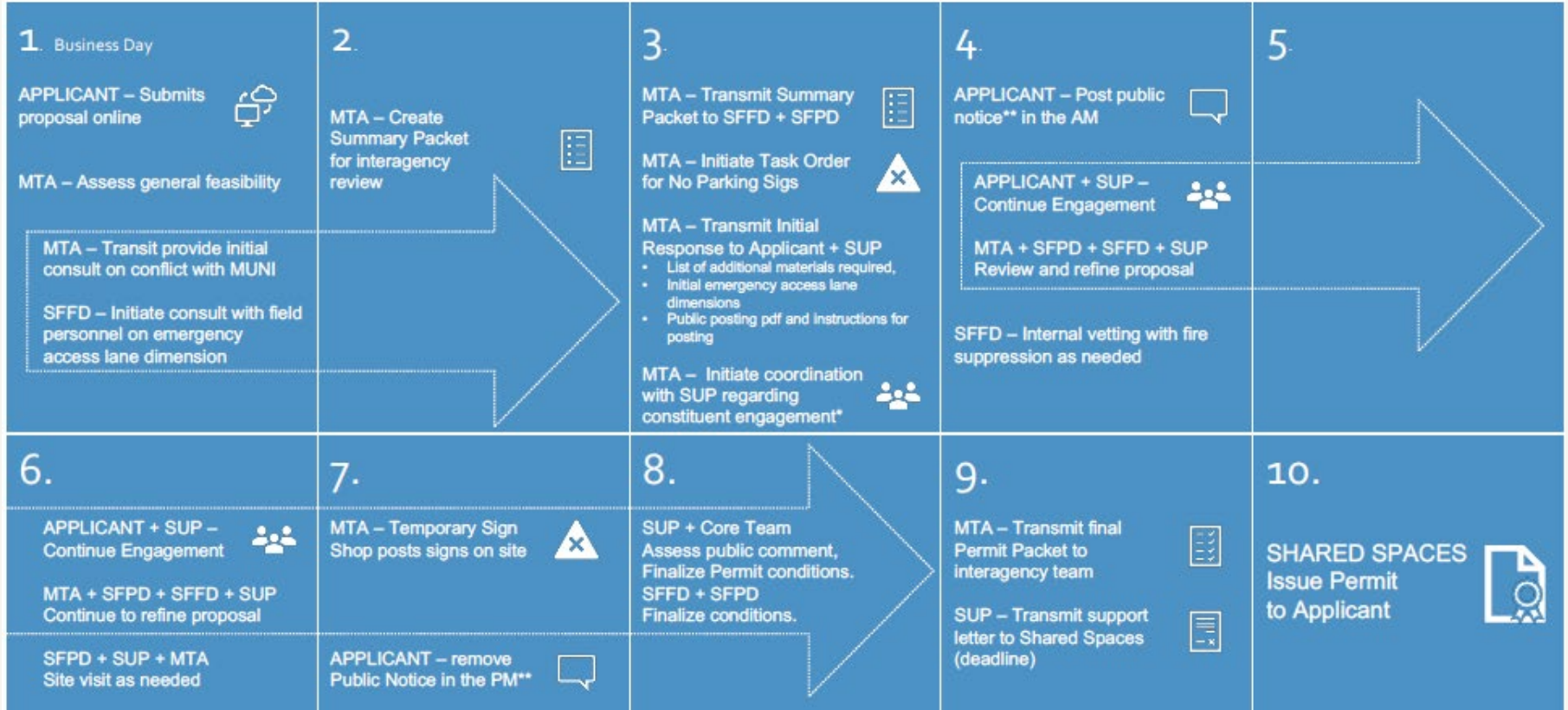
- October 2020 – Mayor Breed announces that elements of Shared Spaces Program will become permanent
- November 2020 – Mayor Breed announces the Shared Spaces Equity Grants Program
- 2020/2021 – Policy and Legislative Development
- 2021 Launch of Permanent Program



72 HOURS FOR SIDEWALKS, CURBSIDE, AND ON-PARCEL PROJECTS



10 BUSINESS DAYS FOR ROADWAY CLOSURE PROJECTS





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