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BART to begin canopy construction over the station entrance at Beale and Market Street

Community Stakeholders:

In the coming weeks BART will begin construction of a new entrance canopy over the BART transit entrance on the south side of Market Street near Beale Street (300 Block). The project is scheduled to begin Tuesday, September 5 and is anticipated to be complete in Spring, 2024.

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 Beale and Market Streets. All public access to that station entrance will be closed at both the street and station levels for the duration of the project. There are 5 alternative BART entrances currently accessible to the public at the Embarcadero Station including one with a new canopy at Market & Davis Street.

The chain link enclosure surrounding the work site will allow complete visibility from the street for the safety of pedestrians using the sidewalk. The contractor will establish a 5' ft. to 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.

Over the next four years BART will construct a total of 19 canopies over downtown station entrances on Market Street. To date, six of those canopies will be complete by August 2023. As part of a separate project, 41 new escalators will be installed at the four downtown stations on both platform and street levels. New canopies will protect new escalator equipment, protect employees who open and close the station, and reduce station maintenance costs. The new canopies will also provide additional wayfinding, lighting, real time information and security cameras on Market Street.

We thank you for your patience as we work to complete this important construction project. For more information on this project visit: <u>bart.gov/about/planning/sfentrances</u>