CHAPTER 8. EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS

The Event Center Development is served by the San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD) and the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD). A new SFFD fire house and SFPD headquarters building is being constructed at Block 8 in the Mission Bay South area on China Basin Street east of 3rd Street.

The Event Center Development project also anticipates installing on-site generators capable of providing up to three megawatts (MW) of emergency, standby and optional power in the case of temporary loss of normal utility power. The on-site generators would provide power to the Transportation Management Center (TMC) during such an emergency to facilitate efficient communication between TMC staff and emergency service personnel.

8.1 EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS FOR EVENT CENTER

Emergency vehicle access to the Event Center Development site will be provided as described below and shown on Figure 8-1.

- SFFD vehicles from the new fire house on China Basin Street would access the Event Center Development via southbound 3rd Street or Terry François Boulevard. Direct access to the Event Center Arena will be provided via the southeast corner plaza on the corner of Terry François Boulevard and 16th Street. Fire Department vehicles traveling south on 3rd Street would make a left at 16th Street. Fire Department vehicles traveling south on Terry François Boulevard would make a right turn onto 16th Street. Emergency vehicles servicing office buildings will use either 16th Street or South Street. SFPD vehicles or supplemental SFFD vehicles from other fire houses would access the western plaza via 3rd Street either from 16th Street (for vehicles traveling from the west via 16th Street) or from 3rd Street (for vehicles traveling from the north or from the south via 3rd Street). Exclusive transit rights-of-way along 3rd Street and 16th Street will accommodate emergency vehicles when traffic congestion might otherwise impair access, and emergency vehicles will be permitted on closed-streets as needed.

Staff in the TMC will also closely coordinate with emergency service personnel to facilitate access as needed.

8.2 EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS FOR UCSF HOSPITAL

The UCSF Women's Cancer & Children's Hospital, scheduled to open on February 1, 2015, is located on the west side of 3rd Street between 16th Street and Mariposa Street. Access to the hospital will be provided from both 16th Street and Mariposa Street via extensions of 4th Street. Pre- and Post-event curb management and controls as related to the UCSF Hospital access for patients and staff are described in Chapter 6.