



CASTRO/UPPER MARKET COMMUNITY BENEFIT DISTRICT

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Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board of Directors Meeting on February 11, 2016

Castro Community Meeting Room; 501 Castro Street, Second Floor; San Francisco, California

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by Board President Scott James. A basic quorum was present and maintained throughout the meeting.

Directors Present: Joel Bubeck, Brian Gougherty, Alex Harken, President Scott James, Treasurer Alan Lau, Jim Laufenberg, Pat Sahagun, Secretary Pauline Scholten.

Directors Absent and Excused:

Staff, Guests Present: Executive Director Andrea Aiello, Program Coordinator Kristin Wojkowski (taking Minutes) Members of the Public Present: Nick Humann, Shawn Vergara

Brown Act Notice

Scott summarized California's Brown Act, as its rules apply to the CBD's board meetings. They include provisions that meetings are publicly noticed in advance and are open to the public; for public comment before any vote is taken on each agenda item and following committee reports; and for general public comment, scheduled as Item 4 on the agenda for this meeting, to be called in order but no later than 6:55pm. Guests who interrupt or are otherwise disruptive of the meeting will be given a verbal warning. If a second interruption or disruption by the individual(s) occurs at the meeting, they will be asked to leave. A copy of the meeting agenda was publicly posted timely in advance, on-line at www.castrocbd.org and at the S.F. Public Library, 100 Larkin Street. A copy of the board package was available for public review at the meeting.

Introductions

Board members introduced themselves and noted any current, potential conflicts of interest. Guests were invited (but not required) to introduce themselves and to sign in.

Board Meeting Minutes from January 14, 2016

No changes to the board meeting minutes. A call for public comment was made on the draft January 14, 2016 minutes (there was none), those minutes were *approved* (M-JL, 2nd-AH).

Executive Director's Report

Andrea spoke about the upcoming CBD 10th Anniversary party on March 13th, which will be held in the Patio space. The event will also be the inaugural Taste of the Castro. Current participants include Green Surge, Canela, Café Flore & Sweet Inspiration Bakery & Cafe. The Bay Times has donated a banner on their webpage to promote the event. The CBD Annual Report will undergo a format change. The Apothecarium will be the title sponsor. Scott James clarified sponsorship in the Annual Report will be more congratulatory than advertising. Landscape improvements in Plaza are waiting the new contract with OEWD. Artists are interested in the LED lights project with proposals forthcoming. Andrea also met with Larkin Street regarding plaza stewards. Schedule will be Wednesday – Sunday 11a.m. – 6 p.m. Will possibly turn into 7 days a week.

President's Report

Scott J. recommended Helen McClure to appointed to the Land Use Committee. Helen is a Castro property owner who currently lives in Seattle. **Motion** to appoint Helen McClure to the Land Use Committee, (M-SF, 2nd PS), call for public comment, there was none. Nich Humann was recommended for appointment to the DISI Committee **Motion** (M SH, 2nd JL), call for public comment, there was none. Motion approved.

Executive Committee Report

Scott asked for appointment to the Land Use Committee. **Motion** (M-JL, 2nd AL), call for public comment, there was none. Motion approved. Joel B. suggested we invite Block by Block and Patrol Special Police to the anniversary party. Andrea responded that she already had.

District Identity and Streetscape Committee (DISI) Report

Committee Chair Brian Gougherty led the report. Discussed briefly ideas for developing review and selection process for the LED lighting project. Ideas include creating a project committee, which should include members of the board, members of the public and a representative from MTA. Artists will submit proposals. Top few selections will receive a stipend to create a prototype. Committee will consider having electricity on a timer that will shut off at midnight.

Brian and volunteers cleaned up Pink Triangle Plaza and Harvey Milk Plaza. We should think of ways to involve the public. Pauline suggested we set up a website link. Brian mentioned a GoFundMe account was set up to help with costs. The Streetscape Committee is discussing ways for the CBD to sponsor a bike repair station on the Wiggle.

Call for questions or comments. There was none.

Land Use Committee Report

Note: Sharper Future was inadvertently called Sharper Image on the Agenda. Sharper Future was an Action item on agenda; however, no action was required because the public outrage prompted the stop of the clinic. Board will ask for seat at planning commission table to have a voice. Next step is to request a meeting with John Rhaim. Alan Lau suggests this topic goes to the Lane Use Committee. We don't have enough facts at this time.

General Public Comment

At 6:55 pm the next Agenda item for General Public Comment was called. There were no public comments.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes taken and prepared by Kristin Wojkowski

Date Approved March 10, 2016



Pauline Scholten, Secretary