

**Castro/Upper Market Community Benefit District
District Identity & Streetscape Committee Meeting Minutes DRAFT
693 14th St.**

February 5, 2029

Present: David Ayerdi Committee Member, Stuart Dick Committee Member

Guests/Staff: Andrea Aiello, Executive Director, Alan Lau VP Castro CBD Board

Members of Public: None

- I. Introductions/Approval of Minutes: Introductions made, Brown Act reviewed. **Motion** DA1, SD2 approve September, October and November minutes. Approved

- II. General Public Comment: none

- III. Sidewalk Gardens as Proposed by FUF: Remind FUF that we need trees and please keep us on their list. Discuss with EVNA and possible referral. SD and DA to survey all empty tree wells and put together budget to install pavers.

- IV. Discussion: Destruction of CBD Plants at Harvey Milk Plaza and Replanting: On Tuesday January 21st. Andrea discovered the plants in the most eastern planter at Harvey Milk Plaza had been severely vandalized. The plants were seriously chopped and looked like they were sawed off with the appropriate tools, clean cuts. She posted a picture of the vandalism on facebook and John Goldsmith and Alan Burradell each, separately responded, on the facebook post, "I diid it." On facebook, Mr. Burradell mentioned that he did it on Sunday afternoon. A police report was filed. An estimate for the repair was \$2000. Mr. Goldsmith was again found digging out the plants in this planter, when confronted, he threatened Andrea with a shovel, a restraining order was filed. Mr. Goldsmith was served with the restraining order at 12:14 p.m. on 1/29/2020. Mr. Goldsmith was arrested for violating the restraining order on Friday 1/31/2020.

The planter was replanted on 1/31/2020.
The CBD was cc'd on a copy of two letters both from S.F. Public Works and individually addressed to John Goldsmith and Alan Burradell. The letters were read into the public record of the meeting and are attached.

- V. Discussion and Consideration for Approval: MOU with DPW re: Upper Market Pedestrian & Bike Safety Project: Discussion of draft MOU, concern around language requiring CBD to be responsible for the removal and/or replacement of the way finding signage. We have agreed to pay for electricity and for to own the electric box, and to keep all the streetscape elements clean. Andrea will bring up with Supervisor Mandelman's office.

- VI. Adjourn- **Motion** DA1, ML2 6:45pm

Minutes taken and prepared by Andrea Aiello