SBRMBNA Board Meeting Minutes November 18, 2013

Attendees:

Agid, Bruce* Anthony, Mike* Carroll, Shelley Fahnstalk, Jack Fahnstalk, Peggy Friedman, Steve Khatwani, Mahesh Langley, Don Langley, Judy Liddell, Katy* Liebovitz, Jeffrey Rogers, Alice* Springer, Matt* Whitaker, Jamie*

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Dec 9th Holiday Dinner at Delancey's

Mike and Vivian have made arrangements for a private room. Cost per person is \$25. The NA will subsidize \$5 for non-members and \$10 for members to encourage attendance. Those who want cocktails can purchase them at the bar and bring them back to the room. We will allow 30 to 45 minutes before dinner is served to socialize. Jane Kim and her office have been invited.

Transportation

Bruce is leading a taskforce working with CalTrain re noise and air quality issues at 4th and King. In addition, the board endorsed a set of transportation recommendations focused on traffic congestion and Muni service. These were forwarded to Supervisor Jane Kim and reviewed with Tilly Chang, Executive Director SFCTA.

South Beach Democratic Club

We talked about the mission of this club and discussed if our NA overlaps. Because the SBDC is overtly taking positions, we can refer people to them who would like to be more actively involved in issues. We do not currently see conflicts and will continue to stay aware of their activities. Sue Bushnell might be a good choice for a speaker at one of our meetings.

Low-Flying Airplanes

Alice and Matt continue to track this issue with the Giants and Jane Kim's office.

<u>A's at AT&T</u>

We discussed sending a survey out to the neighborhood to see how people feel about the possibility of the A's playing their games at AT&T Park.

Neighborhood Retail

Alice and Mike are creating a survey to send out to the neighborhood to see what services / merchants are most desired. The businesses on King Street have had a tough time. With Pier 38 coming up for renovation, SWL337 and possible retail at Piers 30/32 on the horizon, we need to plan wisely.

2014 Schedule / Speakers

| January | Cristina Olea, DPW, re 2 nd Street |
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| February | Amy Neches re Pier 38 |
| March | Ed Rieskin, SFMTA |

We will also have the Warriors and OEWD at one meeting. Other possibilities are the Central Subway, the South Beach Democratic Club, Walk SF and SF Beautiful, amongst others.

Debrief October 23rd Summit of Eastern Neighborhood Associations

- Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association
- Mission Creek Harbor Association
- North Beach Neighbors
- Potrero Boosters
- SoTel Neighbors
- SBRMBNA

Invited, but not present: Dogpatch Neighborhood Association, Telegraph Hill Dwellers

- <u>Dues</u> are fairly uniform among the organizations, ranging from our \$15 per individual to \$25 per individual for most. Households range from ours at \$25 to \$35. Mission Creek dues are included in their berth fees.
- <u>Expenditures</u> vary quite a bit. Some organizations donate to non-profits. Others spend their money on social events for the respective group. We spend ours on our annual website expense and subscription to Survey Monkey.
- <u>Key issues</u> for most of the organizations revolve mostly around land use and neighborhood services.
- To determine <u>how issues might go to a vote</u>, most of the groups defer to their boards, an Executive Committee, or a Steering Committee rather than the entire group. Most, but not all, stay away from political issues.

- We found that most of these organizations see their <u>purpose</u> as informing their members not taking stands.
- None of the groups have a formal way of achieving <u>consensus</u>. Most of them rely on their boards, Steering Committee, or an Executive Committee.
- Two organizations belong to CSFN, but do not see membership as a priority. As a group, we decided that it is more important for those of us on this side of the City to get together to discuss common issues.