

# South Beach / Rincon / Mission Bay Neighborhood Association Meeting

Monday September 10, 2018

## MINUTES

6:00PM-7:00 PM

COMMUNITY ROOM  
HARBOR SERVICES BUILDING  
PIER 40A, SOUTH BEACH HARBOR

<b>ATTENDEES</b>	12 neighbors, 3 Officers and 2 Directors, 2 presenters
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[NEXT MONTH: OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> SOCIAL EVENT](#)

<b>TOPIC</b>	Caltrain Electrification Project
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**WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS** by NA President Alice Rogers

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our October 8th meeting will be a Social, mini-golf at Stagecoach Greens in Mission Bay. Details to follow via separate email to the NA Yahoo Group.
- The NA has partnered with the East Cut CBD to extend an invitation to Mayor London Breed to join us at an upcoming joint town hall-type meeting. Plans are in the works. Scheduled date TBD.

### A PRESENTATION ON THE CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT

- Greg Parks, Caltrain's Public Involvement Manager, presented an update on the Caltrain Electrification Project. Casey Fromson, Caltrain's Director of Government and Community Affairs was also on hand for support and additional comments.

Caltrain covers 51 miles between San Francisco and San Jose. 32 stations. Currently, there are 92 weekday trains. Caltrain has seen a steady increase in ridership: 30,000 riders in 1998 vs. 70,000 riders in 2018.

Current trains are diesel engine. Many of these trains are past their 'retirement' age. This ambitious project will convert Caltrain to electric trains. An electrified system means that trains can run more frequently and more efficiently. These upgrades will also increase ridership capacity, safety and reliability. Replacing old diesel trains with new electric trains will reduce GHG (Greenhouse Gas) and improve air quality. The electrification will also allow more cars to be added in future without slowing train speeds.

Construction activities along the 51-mile corridor include running wires through tunnels, potholing, tree pruning/removal, foundation installation, and pole/wire installation. To be split into four segments along the corridor, with some preliminary construction already complete, but the majority of the San Francisco activities to begin Fall 2018 and run thru Summer 2019. (Regular scheduled weekday Caltrain service will continue during the project construction; there will be bus bridges between 4<sup>th</sup> and King and Bayshore Station for 24 consecutive weekends starting October 6, 2018 through March 17, 2019.) The first electric trains are scheduled to be in service in 2022.

Tree Removal at 4<sup>th</sup> / King Streets: 16 public street trees along King Street are planned for removal. Tree replacement locations have been coordinated with the City and County of San Francisco. They will be planted in areas not affected by the Electrical Safety Zone.

For more details on this project: <http://calmod.org/>

To sign up for updates / share comments: <http://calmod.org/get-involved/>

For Construction Fact Sheet, FAQs, Meeting Notices and other project documents: <http://calmod.org/resources/#sf> (For a copy of the 36-page PowerPoint presented at tonight's NA Meeting, select "Presentation to the SBRMB NA (Sept 2018)")

- Followed by Q&A.

**In lieu of a general meeting on October 8<sup>th</sup>, join us at Stagecoach Greens in Mission Bay for mini-golf. Details to follow via a separate email to the NA Yahoo Group.**