## South Beach / Rincon / Mission Bay Neighborhood Association Meeting Monday July 8, 2019

### MINUTES

6:00PM-7:00 PM

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

ATTENDEES

12 neighbors, 4 Officers and 3 Directors, 4 presenters

NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 12<sup>TH</sup>

**TOPIC** Muni Metro T-Line discussion + Recology presentation

#### WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS by NA President Alice Rogers

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Giants have extended a generous offer to SBRMB NA Paid Members – Free tickets to the outdoor screening of "Bohemian Rhapsody" at Oracle Park – a singalong extravaganza scheduled for Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### **MUNI METRO T-LINE DISCUSSION**

- Jessica Garcia and Travis Richards, both Transportation Planners for the SFMTA, gave a brief overview of the current light rail lines covering our neighborhoods and their planned (distinct from actual) frequencies. During peak morning/evening commute times, the N-Line is scheduled to run every 7-9 minutes and the T-Line every 6-8 minutes. (The E-Line is scheduled every 20 minutes.)
- Once the Central Subway begins running (December 2019? February 2020?), the T-Line will no longer run along the Embarcadero. It will run from Sunnydale to Chinatown, scheduled every 4-6 minutes during peak commute times.
- Jessica asked those residents in attendance about their transit patterns related to the current N and T lines – when do you take Muni? What day/time? Where to? What has been your experience? Your concerns? How would you like to see the N- line augmented? Comments from the group:
  - More reliable times for the N-Line (matching schedule) would be great
  - The T-Line serves a huge population but it is slow, not reliable, and not frequent enough in real time
  - South-bound travel on the T-Line (to Dog Patch, Bayview) has been increasing, but challenging for riders due to the timing of the T-Line service
  - The E-Line has had horrendous service
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Many residents take Muni to the theater district at various times/days of the week

Jessica will take all this feedback back to her team and will continue outreach. SFMTA is just beginning their planning process related to augmenting service along the Embarcadero once the T is relocated to the Central Subway; they would like to return once they have a draft plan for review.

#### RECOLOGY PRESENTATION Recycling/Composiing

- Noelle Duong of Recology discussed how San Francisco has been ahead of other cities in terms of recycling, composting, etc. but there's more work to do, especially now that China—the largest buyer of recycled materials—has tightened the criteria on what they will accept and Recology has had to search out additional buyers in southern Asia. She reviewed what's new, what's changed, and what improvements Recology has made to educate businesses and residents about what they need to do to limit the amount of trash going to landfills.
- Noelle reviewed the three bins and what should go in each (green for composting, blue for recycling, and black for landfill). Most importantly, food and drink residue

contaminate paper and heavy plastic items and makes them unacceptable for recycling, causing them to end up in landfill. Our job is to put all food and paper food wrappers in our compost bin, and rinse plastic and glass containers before adding them to the blue recycling bin. Secondarily, lightweight, single-use plastic like water bottles, zip-lock bags, bubble-wrap and plastic sacks—are NOT recyclable and need to go into our black (landfill) bins.

- Large apartment complexes have presented a challenge to San Francisco's waste reduction efforts and are now subject to fines if their sorting does not improve. There are now consulting services to advise and train so that waste stream goals can be met.
- View and share this 3+ minute video called "Better at the Bin" for tips/reminders about what goes where: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NbeUbpZnUBA</u> or visit their website here: <u>https://www.recology.com/recology-san-francisco/whatgoes-where/</u>

#### Proposed development to replace Recology's complex at 900 7<sup>th</sup> Street

Noelle gave a high level overview of the Recology development proposal at the site that currently contains a small portion of the company offices, along with truck parking. The employee-owned company wants to consolidate their operations for better efficiency and reduced environmental impact and repurpose this site for housing (affordable and market rate), offices and open space to be more compatible with the surrounding area. Recology is actively seeking community input on the balance of uses. For more information on the proposal, contact Noelle at <u>NDuong@Recology.com</u>

# **NEXT MEETING Monday August 12<sup>th</sup>. Topic: Traffic Management for the September opening of the Chase Center.**