# **NOPNA General Meeting Minutes**

July 19, 2018

Attendance: Approximately 25 neighbors at the meeting plus board members: Charles, Leela, Jeff, Tim

#### **District 5 Supervisor Vallie Brown**

Introduced herself; been part of the neighborhood for many years; let everyone know that
she is very proud to be our representative; wants to make sure we know she is here to help
us;

## Captain Bailey, SPFD Park Station Capta

- been in the department for 17 years; worked patrol in the Mission and Engleside; homeless outreach; worked in the Tenderloin, worked in Special Victims Unit (18 months) and now at Park Station
- Enjoys working with community groups
- Reviewed crime stats; low violent crime
- 100 members at Park Station;88 officers total; 16 dedicated to foot beat and 6 to quality of life; the rest of the officers are spread out over 24/7 coverage
- targeted enforcement on aggravated assault; 2 arrest made regarding the 7 robberies in June 2018 (most cases it is the same person committing the crime)
- launched a program to burglary victims to assess risk (looking at lighting)
- SAFE is a group that comes out and helps neighbors to improve safety
- Encouraged neighbors to put cameras because they are a real deterrent
- Grove and Divisadero a lot of open divisadero where people are starting to drink; smoke
- collaboration between community and SFPD is important;
- Twin Peaks; Duboce Park; Haight; Cole Valley

### Q&A:

- 1. Question about violence around the bus stop. Muni drivers are not law enforcement so if you see crime on or around MUNI you should call 911. Don't mess with people that seem dangerous. Cameras on MUNI are really good and often then people on MUNI are often caught because of; taking photos is always a good idea as long as you are smart (don't endanger yourself)
- 2. Asked question about theft from cars.
- 3. Is there anything being done about people using illegally using disability placards? More a DMV issue.
- 4. She mentioned that this neighborhood people are pretty smart and don't leave
- 5. Request to do more traffic enforcement at Oak and Masonic. Near miss accidents. Oak and Fell are two streets have very high safety issues there.
- 6. What about homelessness? It seems like the police are being asked to deal with the homeless but don't have the resources to address it.
- 7. At Kelly Moore, they used to have a public toilet at the car wash but it has been removed. Lava Mae can park there.

### 400 Divisadero Street Development, David

• location is between Fell and Oak; started in 2015 with informal meetings

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- Oct 2017 they did a pre-development meeting
- How come things are not farther along? It is because of below market-rate housing (BMR) and we are not sure what the district wants to do with the below market housing. The question is how much should be available to lower income versus middle income units.
- Faces of Divisadero video on their website; looking to create ways to have fun; doing a STEM program for at risk youth; Sat. July 28th at Boys & Girls club
- May 2018, they did a workshop on the retail what does the neighborhood want? They said there is a lot of night time activity but not enough day-time shopping; north of Fell street but need a better connection south of Fell Street; he wants local business and not national chains; a lot of tourist going to Alamo Square how can we get those tourist to hang out and shop in the neighborhood? Coco Designs (social media; pop-up events)
- later this year they will do a meeting on transportation
- Presented "Art Trail SF" to promote Divisadero as a retail district to get tourist to stay in the
  neighborhood to get tourist to walk around and hang out; its center of SF, flat for easy walking,
  deep roots with Art, "the real SF" so merchants want to catalog current murals and add new
  murals; Finch (Honeybears) is helping
- Creating a connection which creates community and value; they are trying to listen when they are doing the workshop

#### Q&A:

- 1. Will retail that is geared toward tourism how does the Art Trail support the local community? It is existing retail; he is working with the Merchant's Association to keep it balance
- 2. Neighbor asked to keep Fillmore included; need to find key people in these micro-neighborhoods; People like to go to strange little places for discovery
- 3. What is your position on formula retail? He is wants to listen to the community; he does not want formula retail; he wants to stay authentic to the neighborhood
- 4. Height people are telling him that it is way to high (blocks light, decreases neighborhood feel) and others are telling him it is way too low (housing crisis; build up); they want to keep the character of the neighborhood and create as much housing as possible
- 5. Transportation and the Design will be the next two workshops

### **Review of Election Results (Tim Hickey)**

Refer to Tim's notes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.