

Glen Park Association Board of Directors Meeting

January 11, 2017

208 Chenery Street

Stephany Wilkes, Recording Secretary

Sally Ross, Greenway Committee

Michael Rice, President

Carolyn Deacy, Program Chair

Bruce Bonacker, Zoning and Planning Committee

Nicholas Dewar, Greenway committee

Hilary Schiraldi, Membership Secretary

Jonah Martin, Transportation Committee

John Walmsley, Neighborhood Environment Chair

Scott Stawicki, Vice President/Transportation Chair

Dennis Mullen, Treasurer

Heather World, Communications, acting Recording Secretary

Called to Order - 7:36 pm

Establishment of Quorum

John Walmsley moves that we approve the December 2016 board minutes.

Stephany Wilkes seconds. All approve.

Treasurer's report

GPA assets, not including designated Greenway funds: BofA checking = \$29,588. Money market account = \$15,059, as of Nov. 30, 2016. Dennis will have year-end numbers at the Jan. 26 meeting.

Stephany reminds board that we must start thinking about 2017 grants.

Committee reports

1. Transportation

O'Shaughnessy Bike Lane

Jonah got an email from SFMTA. Based on community feedback given at the December meeting co-hosted by the GPA, SFMTA will have an internal vetting of the option that involved the least amount of change to vehicular traffic. Once they have internal vetting, there will be a public hearing on the project. They will update us once they have a date set so we can publicize it.

35 Eureka

No SFMTA update following the December meeting about the route, which was co-hosted by GPA. Committee will ask again for an update.

Elk Crosswalk

No SFMTA updates on Elk Safety project.

Bike Share

Paolo Cosulich-Schwartz from Bike Share: Program operates in downtown. At this point (Phase 3) they've mapped out locations to 30th Street and are looking for neighborhood input as to where to go next. They're looking to deploy these a year from now.

Program tries to keep stations 5-minute walk apart to maintain convenience and improve usage. Schwartz will bring a map with grids to the meeting so community can provide input based on that preference.

Obvious candidates include BART plaza, Mission Street, 30th and San Jose Avenue area. They can locate on school district property (like Fairmount Elementary School). When located on the street, the bike share stations come in 10-foot modules that can hold four bikes.

2. Neighborhood Improvement

BART told John Walmsley that his public/private proposal to put plants in the GP Station won't work because the irrigation system is broken and the site is suspended over the tracks. They don't want to fix it, so they'll put colored glass pebbles.

GPA will write a letter back to BART, asking them to hold off, especially in light of possible historic conservation (discussed below).

Discussion Items

1. Glen Park Historic Resources studies

- a. Bruce proposes an historic survey of the neighborhood:
 - To protect character of neighborhood from overly exuberant developers; and
 - To reduce the amount of money paid by Glen Park residents who must determine the historic status of their homes.

Seeded with \$15k from a contractor, the GPA can contribute to a neighborhood historic resources survey. Also, the city has a Historic Preservation Fund for such activities. Bruce Bonacker is on its committee, and they are aware we want to do this. They might match our contribution if they see in-kind and monetary contributions from the neighborhood.

We've sent our Request for Proposal for a survey to three consultants. There are about 2,300 properties to examine in the whole neighborhood, so we're getting quotes for smaller numbers as well. We are asking them to start with the parts of Glen Park that have the most potential historic resource. We're also deleting Diamond Heights because the DH properties in our district match the ones in

adjacent districts that will be examined together under a separate study done by the city.

We'll use that scope and budget to put in an application for a Historic Context Statement/Historic Resources Survey.

b. Bruce Bonacker proposes that GPA board consider support for nomination of the Glen Park BART Station as an architectural landmark.

Our Community Plan Resource Study already indicated the site is important. If it were to be designated as a landmark, any change to the configuration or graphics or color (appearance) would have to be reviewed by the Historic Resources Commission. (Goal is to preserve the integrity of the design while allowing the station to meet modern transit needs, whatever those may be.)

What would be included: We can argue that the station's interior be included since it's such a big part of the station. We can also argue that the upper campus not be included.

However, we're not sure the city has jurisdiction over a state agency. BART has adhered to municipal planning code directives in the past, though.

Another option: maybe get it identified as a state landmark?

It would be good to publicize the concept: this is what we want, this is what it means.

2. Greenway Plan

Cleanup and potluck scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 14, 9 to noon, rain or shine unless it's really pelting rain. Based on RSVP list, Stephany is expecting about 15 neighbors, plus some folks from SF Green Team. She got tools from DPW today.

Bureau of Urban Forestry has been taking out some of the diseased trees over the past two weeks. Stephanie, Sally, Michael, Jim Edwards and Nicholas did a walkthrough with Julia Brashears and two other people from Bureau of Urban Forestry: Chris Buck and Jonathan Perrin. (of the Bureau of Urban Forestry). They told us things we can do and not do. We'll tackle about half of the length of the Lippard/Chilton block.

We're still building partnerships with organizations that are involved or could be involved in the tree-planting project to be funded by a Community Challenge Grant:

- Michael has set up a meeting with SFPUC.
- Nicholas got a letter from Archdiocese giving a conditional okay. (They want to see a boundary survey, then they will talk about easements or other solutions.)

- Greenway committee will be applying for a Community Challenge Grant in mid-March.
- Greenway committee has to send in a form to the SF Recreation and Park Dept. saying we want to be a Street Park.
- The Planning Department has a map showing that the Greenway is part of a designated "Green Connection" called the "Crosstown Trail."

3. GPA General Meeting, January 26, 2017, St. John's School

Agenda and program

- **Come meet new District 8 Supervisor Jeff Sheehy, GP resident (30 minutes)
- Annual officer elections. Ten percent of paid members need to be present to enable us to hold the election. This year's slate is Stawicki as President, Wilkes as VP, Mullen as Treasurer, Schiraldi as Membership, World as Recording Secretary, and Waldstein as Corresponding Secretary
- Bike Share expansion presentation
- Possible update from SFMTA regarding Elk Street safety improvements

Meeting evaluation and wrap-up

Adjourn at 8:53 p.m.