

Glen Park Association
Fall Quarterly Meeting
Thursday, October 17, 2019
Glen Park Recreation Center

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

1. Halloween in Glen Park

GPA is working with the San Francisco Police Department, Public Works and Liveable Cities to close Chenery from Elk to Diamond from 5 to 8:30 p.m. on Halloween, like last year.

Officer Tom Hauscarriague from SFPD will again work with volunteers, training people. Biggest need is to help residents get to their homes through the closed streets. Neighbors should please consider volunteering.

Residents with health needs or any other urgent needs should feel free to call him:
415-589-1526

2. Glen Ridge Co-Op Fundraiser

Glen Ridge Co-Op announced its annual auction fundraiser will be held Saturday, November 16, from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Pomeroy Recreation & Rehabilitation Center, 207 Skyline Boulevard. For tickets visit GlenRidgeCoOp.org

3. Neighborhood Historian Evelyn Rose

Investigated the history of the name "Fairmount" in light of the new park being rehabilitated called Fairmount Plaza.

The streets of the Glen Park subdivision were named by local businessmen who either named the streets for themselves or for places they loved.

For example, Richard Chenery ran steamboats between Sacramento and San Francisco before he was conscripted by President Abraham Lincoln to serve in the Civil War.

Chenery, Bemis and Laidley all hailed from Boston. There is a park in Boston called Hyde Park, and it has a section called Fairmount Hill, so Fairmount is likely named for that.

4. Fairmount Plaza

Nathan Tinchair, deputy director of partnerships at the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department.

For 10 years the department's Natural Areas Program has been working on this space. Entire park is about ¾ of an acre, but the usable part people can walk on is about ¼ of an acre. Recently given a \$100,000 anonymous donation to do work there.

Next steps will be to make landscape improvements that include installing a water connection, planting native plants, cutting down 17 small eucalyptus trees so native plants can grow, trimming larger eucalyptus trees, and formalizing a trail. Tree work scheduled to begin next week.

5. Assemblymember David Chiu

Has been working on legislation in a few areas:

A. Housing and Homelessness

Chair of the Assembly Housing Committee

- i. Capped rent increases across the state
- ii. Proposing a regional approach to housing with revenue measures for affordable housing; and set asides of \$2.5 billion to cities for homelessness issues

B. Transportation

- i. Supported regional Measure 3, which passed in June 2018 and supports BART, Muni and Caltrain transit system and ferries to manage congestion
- ii. Striving for automated speed enforcement. A bill has been pending for two years and he is trying to move it ahead.

C. Education

Homelessness among students is an issue. There is a new emergency financial aid program for housing students in need.

D. Defending the state against intrusive federal legislation

- i. Shedding the citizenship question on the census
- ii. Safeguarding reproductive rights
- iii. Safeguarding environmental protections passed by the state

He will host a community meeting Wednesday, October 30, 2019, 6:00pm - 7:30pm, at Eureka Valley Recreation Center, 100 Collingwood Street