Minutes Glen Park Association Quarterly Meeting

October 2, 2021

7:00-9:00 PM

Heather World Presiding

Virtual meeting via Zoom

Called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Glen Park Association Grant Program (Heather World)

• The Glen Park Association will be offering grants for initiatives that benefit the community. More information will be available on the blog.

Lt. Jonathan Baxter, Public Information Officer, San Francisco Fire Department

Glen Canyon / Diamond Heights

- Over the last 3 years there have been about 8 grass fires / year and 18-20 outside fires in the Glen Park/Diamond Hts area. All have been extinguished quickly, with a response time or 3-4 minutes.
- Call 911 when you see anything
- Report homeless encampments. They will provide safety measures to warm them or provide warm food. Humanitarian aspects will be addressed.
- Weeds: There is a system in place to get weeds cut down. Property owners will have 5 days to comply. 30 ft spacing is required between overgrowth and property lines. Cuttings must be cleared up. Call 311 and get the tracking number. If the issue isn't addressed within 72 hours, contact 311 again. If there's still no action, contact the SF Fire Prevention Unit at 415-558-3300. This line is monitored Mon Friday.
- There has not been much fennel fire unless there are encampments or fireworks. With climate change and drier conditions, fires will be bigger.
- SFFD trains frequently in the canyon. Sign up for City Emergency Alerts by texting your zipcode to 888777. There you can find shelter in place or evacuation information.
- SFFD Contact information:
 - SFFD twitter: @SFFDPIO
 - Public Information Officer email: firepio@sfgov.org
 - Fire Protection Unit: 415-558-3300

House Fires

• Holiday Safety - Outside

- a. LED lights are best for outside decorations as they are not as hot. Avoid piggy backing lights together; use larger 100 125 foot lights that can plug directly into the outlet. Otherwise they can get too hot and cause fires. Call PG&E/SFFD if circuits blow.
- b. Personnel at hardware stores and Lowes, Home Depot and Cliffs can provide helpful information.
- c. Remove all weeds in gutters, water trees and bushes with lights and set on timers.
- Holiday Safety Inside
 - a. Avoid overloading outlets. Buy a circuit breaker cord and keep 1-2 feet away from walls and furniture. Shut them off when not in use.
 - b. Space heaters should be 3 ft away from anything flammable.
 - c. Water your tree
- Have working UL LIsted ABC Fire Extinguishers on hand.
- For more information:
 - a. sfgov/news/fire-safety-tips
 - b. Sf-fire.org

Neighborhood Beautification

• Greenway: Nicholas Dewar

The Greenway is a project that was started by the GPA in 2012, and is now under the directions of the SF Parks Alliance. It is a pedestrian corridor and a green ribbon for wildlife, and is part of the crosstown trail. The greenway is about 1,000 feet long (Brompton to Burnside) and extends over about 1.5 acres. A dedicated team of volunteers has built and maintained the greenway, including planting oaks from acorns, weeding, watering, and will be planting native plants in the meadow between Lippard and Brompton. The work is providing even more habitats for wildlife.

Work Parties are held on the first Saturday of every month from 9AM - 12N All volunteers are welcome!

Contact information: greenway@glenparkassociation.org

Donations for the continuing work can be made on the GPA website.

• Burnside Mural: Mary Szczepanik

The proposed mural will be at the end of the cul-de-sac on Burnside. Phase 1 will be a mural celebrating human, animal and plant life in Glen Park and recognition of the Gum Tree Girls. Phase 2 will be a tiled stairway. The art installation will be done by Twin Walls Mural Company

Renee Berger did community outreach and so far has raised approximately \$20K, with a goal of \$40K. Work is scheduled to begin March/April 2022 and will be completed summer 2022. For more information to to gpmural.com

Bernal Cut Beautification: Sophie Constantinou

Sophie has been leading the work on the Bernal side of the cut, and is now working with the other neighborhood volunteers to join the east and west sides of the cut, with a goal of a more connected community. Sophie has focused on learning how the City works and is sharing that knowledge.

The Bernal Cut Beautification project includes the work being done on San Jose Avenue, the Bernal Cut path, the Arlington Path, the Natick Triangle and Cuvier St. This includes the ongoing work of many volunteers to restore, plant, weed and collect trash. Volunteers are always welcome.

www.bernalcut.org

A new mural project is being installed under the Richand Bridge, honoring the history of the railroad and featuring California native plants.

Membership: Reminder - This is a good time to renew your GPA membership!

Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm