

**Glen Park Association**  
Board of Directors Meeting

December 17, 2019  
221 Arbor Street  
San Francisco, CA

Meeting called to order at 7:19 p.m.

**GPA Board Members Present:**

Scott Stawicki, president  
Stephany Wilkes, vice president  
Adrienne Lacau, membership secretary  
Bonnee Waldstein, communications secretary  
Mary Szczepanik, webmaster  
Jessica Bogo, recreation & parks  
Carolyn White, neighborhood improvement  
Nicholas Dewar, Greenway

**GPA Board Members Absent or Not-Present:**

Dennis Mullen, treasurer  
Heather World, recording secretary  
Carolyn Deacy, program  
Tania Tries, zoning and planning  
Hilary Schiraldi, safety  
Sally Ross, neighborhood improvement committee

Establishment of Quorum

Action Items

1. GPA Winter Quarterly Meeting
  - January 23, 2020 date confirmed
  - Agenda
    1. Officer elections, confirmed
    2. Christopher Woon, new Ingleside captain, confirmed
    3. State Senator Scott Wiener, confirmed
    4. SF planning department representative presenting on pilot zoning in Glen Park, not confirmed; no response to invitation. Follow up to get response. If confirmed, schedule another workshop with board prior to general meeting to agree on presentation content
    5. Halloween Canyon Market gift card results. Random drawing of Winner--Cooper Stimson of Whitney Street--will be announced

2. Nomination of Jessica Bogo for GPA Board Recreation and Parks chair  
Scott moves to nominate Jessica Bogo for GPA Board recreation and parks chair  
Stephany seconds

MPS

Jessica Bogo was voted unanimously for appointment to Recreation and Parks chair

3. Glen Park Association Officer Election, January 23, 2020  
2020 candidates for office:

President: pending

Vice President: pending

Treasurer: Dennis Mullen

Recording secretary: Heather World

Membership secretary: Adrienne Lacau

Communications secretary: Bonnee Waldstein

Recreation and Parks chair: Jessica Bogo

Question whether Hilary will run for a position. She will be asked if she's interested.  
It is noted that other candidates can emerge up until the moment of the election

4. Meeting minutes

Adrienne moves the board approve its November board meeting minutes

Jessica seconds

Four abstentions

MSP

## **Discussions**

1. Greenway updates

- Nicholas reported that the Greenway fundraiser has surpassed its goal of \$1600, raising \$2600 -- \$1000 was from one donor. The Glen Park Garden Club donated \$500 and has been enthusiastic in working on the Greenway
- December work party scheduled for December 7 was canceled because of rain. Instead many volunteers from the Glen Park Garden Club worked on December 14. The next work party will be on January 18. During the first three months of 2020 there will be two events with the help of the Clean and Green Team
- Installation of the irrigation water meters, backflow prevention devices and irrigation valves on each of the three parcels has now been completed. Funding was provided by SFPUC, the Community Challenge Grant and an individual bequest. The results of the application for a second Community Challenge Grant for trail improvement from Brompton to Chilton will be announced in mid-February. We're collaborating with the SF Archdiocese to obtain a Green Infrastructure Grant from SFPUC for landscaping in Parcel 1 and to manage

stormwater runoff from the St John School . If the funding is obtained the project will take about two years to complete and will cost several hundred thousand dollars.

## 2. BART station planters

We haven't heard back from our letter to SFPW requesting removal. Will follow up if no response in one week. If approved it won't happen quickly because of having to disconnect the water connections to BART

## 3. Trash cans in the neighborhood

Their disappearance has been resolved with their reappearance

## 4. 95 Nordhoff CU hearing/plans

GPA got involved years ago when conditional use filed to subdivide into four substandard lots and remove large redwood tree. Current plan is three structures on the full lot with two substandard units on two individual substandard lots. The tree will be preserved. With the scaled down project and neighbor support, the conditional use permit passed and there is no need for GPA to intervene, except for support

## 5. 50 Sussex fence encroachment of Poppy Lane/next steps

No further action has been taken yet by GPA

## 6. Arlington and Greenway updates

Carolyn reported the Arlington open space is very well watered from the rain and fennel has been cut down. Suggests more chips be put down at next work party. Planning to do weeding over Christmas with small group. There's uncertainty about the continuing role of the Fix It Team under Mayor Breed. Perhaps they are reorganizing.

## 7. Other discussion items

- Concern about coyotes attacking small animals. Coyotes are spreading further away from the park. There is a large number of pups in the canyon. It's incumbent on pet owners to take responsibility.
- Concern about the soaring number of car break-ins, especially the brazen one in the Diamond Heights parking lot. Captain Woon will be asked about it at the winter quarterly meeting.

## 8. Proposal for mural adjacent to Glen Canyon Park ball field

Bonnee reported that SF Park and Rec responded negatively, citing many reasons why and saying they would not prioritize the project. The resident who proposed the mural, Suzanne Ginsburg, wants to proceed to try to bring it to fruition. The board feels that Rec and Park was just responding in their typical discouraging way and the GPA should continue to support Ms. Ginsburg in helping the proposed project go forward. Jessica will now be the contact person.

9. Sussex Street crosswalk. This was to be completed this month but it hasn't even started yet. Scott says SFMTA seems to have no interest in working with neighborhood groups. He will follow up on getting new timeline from SFMTA engineer.

### **Committee Reports**

There were no committee reports

Meeting adjourned at 9:01



December 5, 2019

To: Mohammed Nuru, Director SFPW

Clarence Robinson III – Area Supervisor SFPW

From: GPA Board of Directors -- Scott Stawicki, President

Dear Director Nuru,

We respectfully request the removal of the three metal plant containers at the southeast side of Diamond Street, adjacent to the Glen Park BART station plaza. They were originally placed as improvements to the Diamond/Bosworth intersection area, consistent with the Glen Park Community Plan.

See attached photos.

The plants at the other corners of the intersection are thriving (southwest Diamond and southwest Bosworth Streets). Nearby businesses are supplying the necessary water. It's a much different situation with the planter boxes adjacent to the BART station. It is not clear that the irrigation system to these boxes ever worked properly, and the results were several failed planting attempts in addition to vandalism to the plants and irrigation hardware. As a result, the gravel-filled containers have become vessels for trash and cigarette butts, and they also have been tagged with graffiti. In our view, the state of the planters have become an example of blight and litter which spoils the intentions of providing an element of beauty to the Glen Park BART station (nominated as a Historic Place by the CSHRC).

In addition, this location is a very busy transit hub for BART and MUNI bus lines, in which pedestrians crowd the area because of the bus stops. Since the original placement of the planters, the intersection and station have seen large increases in regional use – specifically the GP BART station being used as a commuter transit hub for private bus programs. The containers are now an unnecessary impediment to pedestrians navigating the street crossing and moving into the station.

We realize that the plant containers adjacent to the Glen Park BART station were placed with the good intention of beautifying the plaza, which is a major transit point in our neighborhood. Unfortunately, this has not been realized as was hoped. Therefore, we want to mitigate the unsightliness and the barrier to pedestrian movement that the containers now pose in a very busy location in our community.

I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors

Glen Park Association

Scott Stawicki, President