Glen Park Association Board Meeting MINUTES May 14 2025 7:00-9:00 PM

## **GPA Board Meeting**

May 14, 2025 1024 Chenery St.

## **GPA Board Members Present**

Heather World, President Adrienne Lacau, Vice-President Carolyn White, Recording secretary Hilary Schiraldi, Membership Nicholas Dewar, Greenway Carolyn Deacy, Program chair Jamie Ennis, Marketing Dennis Mullen, Treasurer

## Absent:

Bonnee Waldstein, Communications secretary Stephany Wilkes, Budget Cece Cronin, Recreation & Parks Kevin Berkemeyer, Health and Environment Steve Green, Transportation Mary Szczepanik, Webmaster Elena DiMuzio, Halloween chair Darion Johnston, Grants Committee chair

## Guests:

Dennise Gearty, DHCA Tony Jerez, Merchant Diana Brito, Art Walk SF

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

- Bosworth Pedestrian Bridge Beautification Project: Renee Berger requested a letter of support from the GPA for the mural on the Bosworth overpass. After discussion, Adrienne moved that the GPA send a letter of support to Supervisor Mandelman in support of the overpass beautification project. Carolyn D seconded. MSA [Heather: please insert final letter here]
- 2. <u>April board meeting minutes</u>: Approval of the minutes held until our next board meeting.

- 3. Civic Joy Fund grant for Night Markets: The GPA received a \$50K grant for at least 4 night markets in Glen Park. The night markets will be held on the 3rd Saturday of the month, beginning in June. Jeff Sheehy and Diana Brito will oversee the events. Di has experience organizing art walks and community events and will produce these events for us.
  - a. Night Market
    - i. Adirenne moved to approve the contract with Di Brito to produce the night market events. Carolyn W seconded. MSA
    - ii. Hilary moved to approve accepting the \$50K for night markets. Adrienne seconded. MSA
    - iii. Heather will create a Civic Joy Fund Oversight Committee, to include Heather and Dennis.
    - It was proposed that we open a separate Tri-Counties bank account for all Civic Joy grant monies and designated activities. Adrienne moved to open the account, Carolyn D seconded. MSA
  - b. <u>Block parties</u>: Block parties are submitted individually through the Civic Joy Fund's site.

Heather has applied for block party funds to support a block party on Arlington in concert with a Work Party Day there for September 13.

Heather also in touch with neighbors on Chenery and neighbors on Surrey to support block parties there.

- c. <u>Halloween</u>: Our grant application for \$3,509 to fund the Glen Park Halloween street closure between Diamond and Elk was approved
- 4. Ice-cream social with DHCA and UNN (and the mayor)
  - a. Denied grant from CJF because it is in a park rather than a street.
  - b. Dennise looking into getting park permit waived
  - c. Target date is mid-July from 11 am to 4 pm.
- 5. Quarterly meetings
  - a. We had a successful spring quarterly meeting, held at the Glen Park library. The meeting focused on pedestrian and traffic safety.
  - b. Summer Quarterly Meeting will be held in July, date and location TBD.
    - Proposed Agenda is Fire Safety in the Canyon and at home. Carolyn D to contact the Division of Fire Prevention. Dennise will contact SFFD. We do not want another presentation by the public information officer but someone who can give us more comprehensive and usable information. Heather will contact PBS to find out if they will license the "Weathered" film to show at our meeting.
    - ii. The changes to the bylaws regarding membership and voting will be announced so membership can vote on those in October.

- c. Fall Quarterly meeting (October) approved /date/location and proposed agenda
  - i. Board approved Wednesday, October 15 at the library
  - ii. Guests should be elected officials
  - iii. Presentations from previous GPA grant recipients: "Fruits of Civic Labor"
- 6. Committee reports
  - a. Treasurer
    - i. Dennis reported on the latest tax filings. It is only necessary to upload the Q4 Treasurer report for each year because that report provides the data of all four quarters.
  - b. Membership
    - i. 159 members; \$2,583 in dues & donations
    - ii. Proposal to only offer tax receipts for donations in excess of membership dues
    - iii. Membership Committee Meeting proposed. (Heather, Adrienne, Mary, Hilary)
  - c. Neighborhood improvement
    - i. Saturday, May 17: work party in the 500 block of Arlington at Roanoke
    - ii. Saturday, May 17: Refuse Refuse cleanup
  - d. Grants
    - i. The Greenway is currently a project of the SF Parks Alliance, which is in fiscal turmoil and is not paying bills. Because of this, the GPA grant will not be given directly to the Greenway, but instead, will be treated as a project of the GPA that will be implemented by volunteers of the Glen Park Greenway. They will submit to the GPA requests for reimbursement of expenses related to this project and will be reimbursed for expenditures up to the value of the original grant, which is \$1,500.
    - ii. Marketing: Jamie's goal is to increase the awareness of the GPA and increase membership. He is currently building a marketing plan and will present at the next board meeting. Dennise will assist Jamie in marketing efforts.

Hllary moved to adjourn, Carolyn W seconded. Adjourned at 9:15 PM

Refuse Refuse April 19 Clean up

Future cleanups: May 17 June 21 (day of first GP night market)

May 17 Carolyn D sent request to George Li at DPW. Carolyn D will pick up/drop off supplies Marian and Carolyn will post flyers in GP. Vince, we have the May flyer. CD to send the flyers to the Library and to be posted on GPA site We've picked up **1035** bags of trash since May 2022:

2025 January, 27 bags February, 25 bags March, 36 Bags April, 30 bags plus a yoga mat

2024, 263 bags 2023, 334 bags 2022, 231 bags

Notes:

- May 17 we will be Celebrating 3 years of trash pickup! Marian is inviting: The Mayor, Supervisor Mandelman and Vince to join us at 10. I'll invite George Li to join us. Toni will have a friend make mini cupcakes and Carolyn will get balloons (we also washed the table cloth). Sadly Bonnee and Heather will be out of town.
- Marian is planning to cleanup before the May 7 Glen Park Stroll, Marian. Please let me know when and I'll join you.
- 19 volunteers collected 30 bags of trash. Volunteers also did sweeping, and tree well work
- We are fortunate to have a core group of volunteers to have a few new volunteers every month.
- This month we had many new volunteers from the neighborhood
- Weeding, graffiti and sweeping have been successfully added to the monthly cleanups.
- More sweeping and tree wells to tackle
- Marian will continue to keep the commercial area clean
- Bonnee is keeping BART aware of graffiti. Bonnee worked with Mandelman's office and BART has agreed to one paint color to cover graffiti. They are still using at least 2 colors.
- Bonnee to keep up posting to the parents email group for kids to come to the cleanups for community service requirements
- Marian connected St. John with Vince for a school cleanup
- Suggest volunteers join "adopt-a-Street"
- New volunteers get the orientation: Do not pick up sharps, 311 app for large items and sharps, bag drop off location, end 11:30

Post May cleanup meeting, via text everyone is busy that week.



May 14, 2025

Supervisor Rafael Mandelman Director of Department of Public Works Carla Short

Dear Supervisor Mandelman and Director Short,

The Glen Park Association supports the Bosworth Pedestrian Bridge Beautification project, which will transform a grey cement overpass into a colorful entrance to the neighborhood.

We think painting the span, removing extensive undergrowth, and placing murals on the pillars would encourage safe passage for students attending area elementary schools, remove unsanitary conditions, and brighten and beautify the area.

The Glen Park Association has supported several mural projects, including funding a portion of the Dolores Huerta Elementary School library mural, and working with organizers on the murals on Burnside and Elk streets. Just a few weeks ago, 100 people, children and adults together, did the initial painting of the Elk Street mural at the entrance to Glen Canyon.

The GPA believes that the proposed Bosworth Pedestrian Bridge project will continue this tradition of neighborhood involvement in the area's beautification.

The project is proposed by two active Glen Park residents, Renee Berger and Beth O'Leary. Renee has a track record of engaging the community and successfully implementing major projects including the Burnside mural and tiled stairway and more recently the Elk Street mural at Glen Canyon. Beth is a volunteer with the Glen Park Greenway. For this project she has played a key role liaising with the Greenway and reaching out to Glen Park Elementary School. We are indebted to both for their hard work.

It is with all these factors in mind that the Glen Park Association is pleased to support the Bosworth Pedestrian Bridge Beautification project.

Sincerely,

Heather World

Board of Directors, Glen Park Association Heather World, President