

# Dogpatch & Northwest Potrero Hill Green Benefit District Board of Directors General Meeting

June 16, 2021 6:30– 8:30 PM Online

**Board Members In Attendance**: Jean Bogiages, Janet Carpinelli, Cori Chipman, Katherine Doumani, Susan Eslick, Barb Fritz, Jason Kelly Johnson, , Terri McFarland, Michael Plater, Kat Sawyer, George Slack. Kim Tercero **Board Members Excused:** Kanwar Kelly, Monique Wallace

**Executive Director:** Julie Christensen (absent)

#### **Minutes**

#### 1. **Open Meeting**

The meeting was opened by Cori Chipman at 6:33 pm

#### 2. Roll Call

Secretary Bill Barnes established quorum. Kanwar Kelley and Monique Wallace and Executive director Julie Christensen were noted absent from the meeting.

### 3. **Approve May Minutes**

The Board approved the May Minutes without amendment.

### 4. Announcements (All)

There were no announcements

## 5. **Minnesota Slow Streets Proposal**

Donovan Lacy presented on the benefits of the Minnesota Slow Streets Proposal. BOD discussion followed regarding whether there would be further neighborhood/stakeholder meetings/discussions/agreements about exactly what Slow Street would mean on Minnesota St. and what rules and regulations would apply. Donovan assured the group that there would be many meetings and ample time for all to know what the final Slow Street would entail.

With that understood, the Board voted unanimously to support the project and authorized communication to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency and other agencies in support of the project.

VOTE: The GBD supports neighborhood and SFMTA efforts to slow traffic on Minnesota between Mariposa and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### 6. **ED Report**

A written Executive Director Report was presented to the Board.

### 7. **Budget Review and Approval**

Susan Eslick presented the proposed Fiscal Year 21/22 budget. The budget provides a framework and establishes priorities for GBD activities throughout the year. Additional detail may be added throughout the year related to specific budget line items.

VOTE: The Board voted unanimously to adopt the FY 21/22 budget.

#### 8. **IM Scott Gardens**

The Board was presented with the question of whether the GBD should make changes in the management and maintenance of the IM Scott sidewalk gardens. After thorough discussion, the Board voted to continue maintaining the IM Scott sidewalk gardens at current levels (at a cost of approximately \$10,000 per year). Janet Carpinelli agreed to make improvements to the gardens that will make maintenance more effective, including low visual rails to discourage walking through gardens, mulch and soil augmentation. These improvements are to be paid for with GreenTrustSF funds.

Since GBD began maintaining/watering the gardens, Friends of Potrero Hill Pre-school, a supporter of the gardens, has been providing the water source from their outdoor garden faucets.

One remaining open issue is the role of San Francisco Unified School District in providing support for the Gardens. Additional inquiry on this will be conducted by project supporters.

12. **Adjourn** Susan Eslick adjourned the meeting at 8:39.