



DISCOVER POLK COMMUNITY BENEFIT DISTRICT
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

Wednesday, October 25th, 2023
4pm

Bank of America Conference Room
1640 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco CA 94109

Call to order and review of public comment guidelines

Members of the public may address the Board for up to two minutes with respect to each item on the agenda and may speak for up to two minutes regarding items not on the agenda during General Public Comment.

Present: Ethel, Stephen Cornell, Michael Anthony, Paige, Chris G, Judith, Mel, Jake, johanna, Ray

-Guests, Karen Dold, plus one.

-Capt Sawyer Northern Station

Members of the Board are not permitted to discuss items not on the agenda. Therefore, during General Public Comment there will be no Board discussion, however the Secretary will take notes on comments.

ED Bleiman called meeting to order at 4:05pm.

I. General Public Comment - no public comment -

Bleiman ask for motion to vote up the agenda #5 to #2

II. Update from Captain Sawyer of Northern Station

Levinson, motion
Geminski 2nd
No public comment.
Approved unanimously.

Cpt Jason Sawyer, back as Cpt at northern, coming back from Airport. Post pandemic return has been an issue, staffing and some of the new issues. he's loves the northern district. He wants to make it known that he wants to be the front man not pass community groups off to someone else.

-update, bottom line, crime overall is flat, hasn't spiked or gone down in last yr. No major crime trends that they are seeing. Use to walgreens issue and other business closures. Lots of commercial 'take overs' lulu and Gucci. just because it happens and they get away doesn't mean that's the end of it. they are collaborating with other cities to arrest. Obviously it would be ideal to stop on the front end but we are good

-changing of DA has been HUGE. formally fractured lots of finger pointing. DA/PD more aligned and therefore balanced. message was SF is open for crime, we are working with DA to change that narrative.

-Michael Anthony, echoed what Cpt said as he was at a meeting with DA. said same thing about relationship with DA.

-Paige - are your gang unit return. -

-Ben, where are we with recruitment.

-Sawyer, terrible

-Stephen, APEC? what's

-Sawyer, 4 times in 30 years that they have been 'mobilized' , APEC related, will have a command that is specific to the event and the fall out (protests, etc..) Separate command center should allow for reg. calls for service to continue.

-Paige, is marty ferreira still in charge of graffiti,

-Sawyer, yes he is.

Public Comment, none.

Cpt Sawyer, dismissed. 434pm.

Ben, asking to move agenda item #6 to #3.

Stephen Cornell motioned,

Melody Terrell 2nd.

No public comment.

Approved unanimously.

III. Presentation by Moe Jamil – D3 Candidate

-Ben intro Moe Jamil candidate for Supervisor.

Moe, lived in Disco for 3 years, recently moved further up the hill on Russian Hill.

-key issues for 24, crime and safety.

-Has lived in D3 for 10 years.

Moe, opens up for questions.

Ben, what would your first priorities be.

Moe, get back to basics, safe, clean and refocus the 'extra stuff' so focus on the budget to prioritize for these things.

-City dept responses to residents and merchants for oversight.

Ben - any public comment? none, public comment closed.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 7, 2023 Board Meeting

Ben, now on #4, approval of minutes. Motion to approve both sets of Minutes.

Levinson, Motion

Geminski 2nd.

No public comment.

Approved, unanimous.

V. Directors' Report

-Ben, see Director's Report.

- 1) lighting strategy - look good, hard to maintain. Potentially swap out wraps for string lights.
- 2) Planters have garnered lots of goodwill, contract is through next summer. Can revisit budget at budget time.
- 3) Events, RHN, PDMA on Halloween event. Tel-hi will also be participating.
-Holiday event run by PDMA, PDMA goes from Filbert to O'Farrell and California street to Hyde. CALL KAYTEA! Ben Bleiman
- 4) Pickin on the Polk, coming up again. thought on reconfiguring stage layout to support both ends of Discover Polk. day stage at Broadway, evening stage at California - suggest
- 5) new projection going up on Maple Hall. Welcome to Discover Polk, A Village in the heart of the city.
- 6) Public Safety, Cleveland recruited him directly. ALI Board members will have his cell but please include Ben on those communications,
- 7) Cameras, first to are installed. 2 more coming to Lord Stanley. 20 cameras total.
- 8) Switching Social Media directors, Lucia Camarda, lot more content and she's local
If you have an event or any content please send to us so we can promote. -
- 9) Ben to reach out to Sawyer coffee for cops program for cops.
- 10) Stickers for Disco merchants, QR for signing up for mailing list.

Geminski, Big bellies, what's going on?

-Ben, more bins, 9 coming soon.

-Johana, Frank's Shoe moved to Vallejo and Bob's to Lotta's. Same landlord as It's a Grind.

ANy public comment, none.

~~VI. Update from Captain Sawyer of Northern Station~~

~~VII. Presentation by Moe Jamil - D3 Candidate~~

VIII. Election of Board Officers

- President Levinson, stepping down from President wants to stay on the board.
- Geminski, new board member but been apart of Discover when it was Middle, helped form CBD.
- Ethel, interested in Sec. position. Would like to support and watch grow. lives and works in neighborhood.
- Bill still willing to be treasurer.
- Judith - happy to step down.

Process -

- Motion to nominate Chris G as Presidnet. Motion Jake, 2nd Stephen.
- Motion to nominate Jake as VP, motion Stephenn, 2nd Ethel
- Motion to nominate Ethel as Sec, motion Ray, 2nd Melody.

Vote to approve individual resolutions to appoint each new board officer.

-Motion to approve Jake, 2nd Ray.

No public comment.

Unanimous.

IX. Adjournment 524 pm 10-25-23

Next meeting: Dec??th, 2023