

Land Use & Housing Committee Reports

December 8, 2014

Hiroshi Fukuda convened the Regular Meeting of the CSFN Land Use & Housing Committee on Monday, December 8, 2014 at 5:55 P.M. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station at Turk and Fillmore Streets.

1. K. DISCHINGER: 558-6284
2013 CITYWIDE NEXUS STUDY - Planning Code Amendment to adopt the San Francisco Citywide Nexus Analysis supporting existing development fees, including fees in the Downtown and other Area Plans, to cover impacts of residential and commercial development in the areas of recreation and open space; pedestrian and streetscape improvements; childcare; and bicycle infrastructure; making findings related to all of the fees in Article IV generally and certain development fees supported by the Nexus Analysis specifically; and making environmental findings and findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1.

Most important area: housing to be studied later.

2. VELLVE: 558-6263
16 & 16A IRIS AVENUE - east side between Euclid Avenue and Mayfair Drive, Lot 028, in Assessor's Block 1043 - Request for **Discretionary Review** of Building Permit Application No. 2014.04.16.3387 proposing to construct an approximately 10-foot deep, one-story addition at the rear of the three-story, three-unit building. The project originally proposed to merge two of the building's three dwelling units; however, the project has been revised to eliminate the dwelling unit merger. The property is located within a RH-2 (Residential, House, Two-Family) District and 40-X Height and Bulk District. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to Section 31.04(h) of the San Francisco Administrative Code.
Staff Analysis: Abbreviated Discretionary Review

Planning Department staffer did a deplorable job and did not disallow an illegal internal staircase, and incorrectly allowed an addition to be measured from the balcony instead of the rear wall. Planning Commission voted to remove the internal staircase, but got distracted to correct the rear addition measurement.

The next Regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, January 8, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station located at Turk and Fillmore.

Adjourned: 7:15 PM



January 8, 2015

Hiroshi Fukuda convened the Regular Meeting of the CSFN Land Use & Housing Committee on Monday, January 12, 2015 at 5:55 P.M. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station at Turk and Fillmore Streets.

The Committee considered the following items:

1. 2014 HOUSING ELEMENT:
CSFN Land Use Committee voted to recommend that the following resolution be adopted at the CSFN General Assembly January 20, 2015 meeting:

Whereas, potential environmental impacts of the changes from the 1990 Residence Element embodied in the 2009 Housing Element were analyzed in the Environmental Impact Report for the 2004 and 2009 Housing Elements (the "EIR"); and

Whereas, the California Court of Appeal is currently considering an appeal relating to the adequacy of the EIR, so the courts have not finally determined whether the changes from the 1990 Residence Element embodied in the 2009 Housing Element have completed environmental review in the manner required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

Whereas, the City proposes to reenact the changes from the 1990 Residence Element embodied in the 2009 Housing Element in the proposed 2014 Housing Element, and the City claims any further changes set forth in the 2014 Housing Element are minor and would not require further environmental review; and

Whereas, the City proposes to approve an Addendum to the EIR for the 2004 and 2009 Housing Elements discussing potential environmental impacts of changes to the 2009 Housing Element embodied in the 2014 Housing Element; therefore be it

Resolved, that due to the pending appeal as to the adequacy of the EIR, the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods (CSFN) urges City representatives to refrain from relying upon the EIR until conclusion of the appeal and any related proceedings, and further objects to the City's reliance at its own risk on the analysis conducted and the conclusions reached in the EIR as valid in connection with the City's proposed adoption of the 2014 Housing Element and in connection with the City's proposed adoption of the Addendum; and be it further

Resolved, that the CSFN objects to the City's proposed findings that the 2014 Housing Element as proposed will not cause new significant impacts not identified in the EIR; that no new mitigation measures will be necessary to reduce significant impacts; that other than as described in the Addendum no project changes have occurred, and no changes have occurred with respect to circumstances surrounding the project that will cause significant environmental impacts to which the 2014 Housing Element will contribute considerably; and be it further

Resolved, that no new information has become available that shows that the 2014 Housing Element will cause significant environmental impacts not previously discussed in the EIR, that substantial impacts will be substantially more severe than shown in the EIR, or that mitigation measures or alternatives previously found infeasible are feasible, or that new mitigation alternatives considerably different from those in the EIR would substantially reduce significant impacts; and that therefore no supplemental environmental review is required under CEQA beyond the Addendum, and be it finally

Draft Minutes: CSFN General Assembly Meeting November 18, 2014

1. **Call to Order.** President Judith Berkowitz brought the November 18 meeting to order at 7:00PM in the Northern Police Station Community Room.
 - a. *Quorum declared.* 29 delegates and alternates represented 23 CSFN member organizations. Five guests signed in.
 - b. *Agenda approved.*
 - c. *Introductions.* Delegates and guests introduced themselves.
 - d. *Hosts.* Walter Caplan, Forest Knolls Neighborhood Organization (FKNO), described his organization's objectives, history, and current issues. Fair Oaks Community Coalition (FOCC) was not available to give a report.

2. **Minutes.** The October General Assembly draft minutes were approved as printed on page 3 of the November Newsletter.

3. **Officers' Reports.**

- a. *President Berkowitz* (EMIA). Melissa Griffin Caen, our speaker on the State Ballot Measures at last month's GA, won *The Usual Suspects* Award for getting the closest percentage correct of wins and losses in the Nov 4 election. • Introduced Bobby Coleman of the SFTU who noted Ted Gullickson's sudden, recent death. Coleman also noted CSFN's imprimatur is valuable and highly sought after because of our extensive knowledge, intensive research of the issues and our independence.
- b. *1st VP Wooding* (MTHA). Report on p.2 November *Neighborhood Views*.
- c. *2nd VP Hillson* (JPIA). Article 2 Planning Commission Hearing Continuance is to Nov. 20.
- d. *Treasurer Millet* (PBNA).

4. **Committee Reports.**

- a. *Bylaws.* Chair **Claire Zvanski** (EDIA).
- b. *Dinner.* Chair **George Wooding** (MTHA). Report on p.4 November *Neighborhood Views*.
- c. *Government & Elections.* Chair **Charles Head** (SHARP). Noted another election analysis with Prof. Corey Cook at Lick Middle School on Thursday.
- d. *Land Use & Housing.* Chair **Hiroshi Fukuda** (RCA).

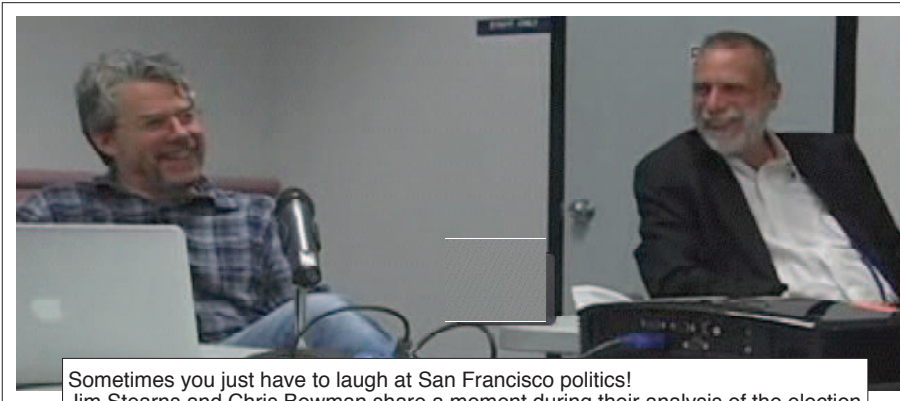
- Report on p.2 November *Neighborhood Views*.
- e. *Media Relations.* Acting Chair **Eileen Boken** (SPEAK).
- f. *Open Space.* **Kathy Howard** (SPEAK).
- g. *Transportation.* Chair **Mari-Eliza** (EMIA). Report on p.2 November *Neighborhood Views*.
- h. *Water Task Force.* Chair **Joan Girardot** (MCI& POA).

5. **Unfinished Business.**

6. **New Business.**

7. **Program. Election dissection.**

In introducing **Chris Bowman, Jim Stearns** (and **David Pilpel**), President Berkowitz noted:



Sometimes you just have to laugh at San Francisco politics!
Jim Stearns and Chris Bowman share a moment during their analysis of the election earlier in the month at the November meeting of the CSFN General Assembly.

- a. Both big money interests and others paid to influence SF political clubs' slate cards.
- b. Campaign finance laws aren't effective in this; money is extremely difficult to go up against.
- c. Campaigns used social media more than ever before.

- d. The west side of town ate up campaigns' resources, but the voter turnout there was lower than usual because the west side wasn't voting for State Assembly seat as was the rest of the city.
- e. Prop A did nothing whatsoever to aid current Muni riders, nothing to prepare for population growth.
- f. We must expand the "we." Unlikely coalitions and alliances unite on an issue. Non-local example: Environmentalists, NAACP, Tea Party, Sierra Club coming together in Georgia to become "Green Tea."
- g. Organizing: find the collective "pain-point" even if it isn't our big issue. For instance: the decline of livability due to population growth.

Nick Pasquarelli (LHNA) recorded Stearns and Bowman's excellent review and analysis of the Nov 4 election with prognostications of its long-term effects and posted it here <https://ia902606.us.archive.org/>. • **Implications of the Parkmerced Court of Appeal Decision.** Glenn Rogers (PmAC), George Wooding (MTHA). Front page November *Neighborhood Views*.

8. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:35.
— *Charles Head (SHARP) Recording Secretary*

Transportation Committee Report

CSFN General Assembly: Thanks for all your support!

Our plan for 2015 is to educate, empower and direct more actions. Before we rush into any more ballot initiatives we need to work on messaging and delivery and we need to form alliances with other like-minded groups. Local efforts are being overridden by the legislators in Sacramento and Washington DC.

Action Item One: We need to involve more people in our efforts to deal with individual street plans that the SFMTA is using to wreak havoc on us. Rick Hall is helping us support the neighborhood groups by setting up the **Community Interest Network**. He will track the TEP (now called “Muni Forward”) projects on . Send requests for support, information and offers to help to: . Please note that we cannot do the research for all of you. (That is your job.) Our job is to spread the news and generate interests and actions on your behalf.

Action Item Two: Follow-through on last year’s resolutions. CSFN members who have not yet done so please **watch the video:** [Policies for On-Street Parking Management](#). **Sign the petition to [Restore Parking Oversight](#).** **Share it** with your groups and neighborhoods.

Action Item Three: Work with city officials. Beef up our letter-writing campaign. We need the folks who want help to set up the letters they want written using the format attached below. *

* **Notes for People Seeking Help with Email and Letter Writing:** (Written in response to the Planning Commissioners’ recent comments.)

We need to make it easier to manage email campaigns and make it easier for the recipients. The Planning Commissioners made a point of this at last week’s meeting. Not everyone checks their email constantly. They get a lot of emails. Write good clear subject lines and easy to follow requests.

Separate the actual sample letter from all the other comments when you send a request for assistance. Your sample letter should be clear enough and describe the subject matter well enough that no extra explanation is needed. If you need to, send the sample letter in a separate email.

Try to follow this simple format. *Some of you are already doing this.*

Requests for Action:

Date
Time
Place
What (Include agenda and item number and file number if possible.)
Why
Action
Contact to confirm, since many meetings and hearings are delayed.

Requests for Comments and Letters of Support:

Include recipients of comments and a link to contact details. We will get more letters written if we made it easier for folks to send them.
Recipient emails and addresses
Heading – *Include agenda item number and file number if possible*
Request for action from the recipients – *What do you want recipient to do.*
Content – *Why recipient should do as you ask.*
Thank you,
Signature, *district, affiliations, etc.*
Add cc and/or bcc

— Mari Eliza (EMIA) Chair

Executive Committee Report

December 3

George Wooding called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM. Present were Judy Berkowitz, Wooding, Rose Hillson, Charles Head, Glenn Rogers, Penelope Clark, Claire Zvanski.

There was a quorum.

Excused absence: Dick Millet, Melinda LaValle, Marlayne Morgan.

Officers’ Reports

President Judy Berkowitz: Urged Wooding and Head to submit their reports and draft minutes for the newsletter within two days: December 5; it’s easier to remember what went on in meetings if you write it up soon after it occurred. • San Francisco Tomorrow (SFT) will have its big event on December 10. • Mark Leno will not run for mayor.

1st Vice-President Wooding: Will reserve Northern Station Community Room for General Assembly meetings (third Tuesdays) and ExComm (8 days after GA) for 2015. • Young people not getting involved as much. Trees: Supervisor Scott Weiner wants to place a parcel tax (property assessment) on the 34% of the property owners in SF. He expects to raise 22 million dollars annually. Why should property owners bear the entire tax burden for the entire city’s poor management of trees. • Residential turned into commercial housing with David Chiu’s Airbnb legislation. He is now looking into a new housing use called “Home Office”. Home office would allow 8–10 people to use a residence for small businesses. • CW Nevius recently wrote an article which questioned if the current state law of allowing free parking for handicapped can be revoked.

2nd Vice President Rose Hillson: Article 2 planning committee did a great job and should be considered a model of how CSFN operates. • Geary BRT environmental impact report will be coming out in January.

Recording Secretary Charles Head: Distributed draft copies of November minutes.

Unfinished Business: 501(c)4 status. Berkowitz reports that our status has been reinstated.

Program. For January GA: Proposition M. A timely topic to review what happened in 1986 when Prop M was passed and where we are today. • Others Program topics discussed; trees, progressive numbers dwindling. • Darcy Brown from SFFD contacted President Berkowitz asking if we could schedule a program about “ambulance crisis.” ExComm voted to not schedule this presentation.

Adjourned at 7:00 pm

— George Wooding (MTHA) Chair

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LU&H Committee Report

Resolved, that CSFN most strongly urges the Board of Supervisors not to approve the 2014 Housing Element, and urges the Planning Commission not to recommend adoption of the 2014 Housing Element, because the environmental review for the majority of the policy changes carried over into the 2014 Housing Element was based on the analyses conducted and the conclusions reached in the EIR for the 2004 and 2009 Housing Element, and the validity of that EIR is still being considered by the appellate courts of California.

CSFN also wishes to record our objection to the City's exclusion of representatives of neighborhood organizations from the stakeholders consulted as to the changes contained in the 2014 Housing Element.

- 110 The Embarcadero/115 Steuart Street, San Francisco
The committee approved that a letter to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors urging to support the Appeal for the 110 Embarcadero/115 Steuart Street. The main points will be:
 - The San Francisco BOS in 2009 "found there was substantial evidence in the report to support a determination that the building is an historic resource because it retains integrity associated with important historic events, and that there is a fair argument that the 2009 project demolition may result in a substantial adverse change in the significant historic resource requiring the preparation on an EIR."
 - Bradley Weidmaier, architectural historian and activist in the Workers' Movement, states the Page and Turnbull report in 2013 was erroneous because it was based on one wrong 1980's newspaper article. The report also stated that the builders and architect were unknown: wrong. The designer and builder was the accomplished San Francisco architect, Etienne A. Garin. He designed the Sacred Heart Church in Oakland, it was considered so attractive that it was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Garin also rebuild San Francisco's Notre Dame des Victoires Church after the 1906 earthquake. He also designed the first St. Anne's Church, the Fleishhacker Flats on Broadway St. Garin went on to design attractive residences in Presidio Heights, St. Francis Woods, Jordan Park, and other parts of the city.
 - At its August 19, 2014 meeting the CSFN General Assembly adopted the following Resolution:
Resolved that the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods strongly urges the Commonwealth Club and Planning Department to maintain the dignified façade at 110 Embarcadero; and be it further
Resolved that the CSFN urges the commonwealth Club and Planning Department to preserve and maintain the four trees on Steuart Street.

The next Regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, February 9, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station located at Turk and Fillmore.

Adjourned: 7:05 PM

— Hiroshi Fukuda (RCA) Chair

Resolution in Support of Proposed State Senate Bill 47

Last fall NBC news ran a series of reports on young soccer goalies developing cancer after extensive play on artificial turf fields. As a result of this reporting, State Senator Jerry Hill of San Mateo has introduced legislation requiring the state to do studies on the health impacts of the tire-waste rubber (SBR) used in most artificial turf playing fields.

This legislation would also put a moratorium on new public fields containing this material for two years while the study is being done: January 1, 2016 to January 1, 2018.

It would not prevent installation of fields already under contract.

The funding for the studies would come from funds already available through the tire recycling program.

Senator Hill has requested letters of support for his legislation, and that they be sent to him by late January or early February.

The CSFN Open Space Committee unanimously recommends the following resolution to the General Assembly for a vote at the January 20 General Assembly meeting to support this proposed State legislation:

Whereas, a series of news reports have shown cancer clusters developing in children in areas where in young soccer players have played extensively on artificial turf with SBR (tire-waste) infill; and

Whereas, more and more artificial turf fields with SBR infill have been installed all over the state, and are now being used extensively by players of all ages, including very young players; and

Whereas, Senator Jerry Hill of San Mateo has introduced legislation requiring the state to study the health impacts of the SBR rubber; therefore be it

Resolved, the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods supports Senate Bill 47 requiring the State of California to perform studies on the health impact of SBR infill and to establish a temporary moratorium on the installation of this type of infill until those studies have been completed; and be it further

Resolved, the CSFN most strongly urges state legislators to support and approve this bill.

— Kathy Howard (SPEAK) Open Space Cmte

Committee Meetings

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Land Use & Housing: Monday 5:30PM Feb 9 • Northern Police Station • Chair Hiroshi Fukuda • ninersam@aol.com • 386-2212
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More Important Than You May Think!

Conditions that Led to 1986's Proposition M

In 1986 the policy of unlimited office development left San Francisco with traffic congestion, severe strains on parking and transit, outrageous housing prices, loss of open space and unhealthy pollution and noise levels. The Mayor, Diane Feinstein, appointed every member of the Planning Commission and strongly supported a building boom. She also opposed all efforts to have developers pay for improved Muni service or affordable housing. The voters had had enough and successfully gained enough signatures to have a referendum. When the signatures were turned in to the Registrar of Voters the District Attorney, Louise Renne ruled the petitions were invalid because they had been prepared under County law rather than City law. Fortunately, four Supervisors put Proposition M on the ballot. Proposition M was labeled a job killer and bad for the economy by its opposition, but the measure succeeded.

Proposition M: a Success

Proposition M curtailed a serious real-estate collapse in the early 1990s after the savings and loan institutions created a building boom. Houston, Boston and other cities faced a financial backlash due to surplus of office space that was proving unable to rent out.

San Francisco was hit by the same recession, but since its economy was more mixed survived better. Proposition M had forced reluctant planners and city officials to continue a more heterogeneous economy; when finance, insurance and real estate companies folded there were still other businesses present such as light industry, nonprofit organizations, the health-care sector and the hotel industry to cushion the economy.

Although the eight guidelines are regularly ignored, the 875,000 square feet a year cap on office construction remained in place until recently. If there is a limit on construction, developers need to offer extras to the City to have their projects chosen, i.e. developers would have to offer more affordable housing, better design, or contribute to transit. However, doing this would mean developers would make less of a return on their investment. Without a cap on construction, the public misses an opportunity to have San Francisco improved.

Eight Guidelines of Proposition M

Proposition M required that the City adhere to 8 "Priority Policies" of the Master Plan, covering issues such as promoting existing neighborhood businesses, provide and preserve affordable housing, solve commuter congestion provide blue collar jobs, preserve historic buildings and neighborhoods, protect open space and lastly, promote earthquake safety. Tech Workers and the San Francisco Economy

Today it is not uncommon for three tech companies to become new IPOs joining the stock market in San Francisco. When Twitter became an IPO there were 1,600 new millionaires generated. Also, the average tech worker makes around \$150,000 annually. The financial success of the tech industry has put great pressure on the housing market, making rental units and housing less affordable.

The Tech Boom or Bust?

Some feel that the tech industry will not be a passing phase like the "dotcom bubble." Their position is the tech industry is here to stay. Therefore, Proposition M is outdated and does not apply to San Francisco's new economy. We need more housing for tech workers and more office space they argue. If this is true this does not make Proposition M less important but rather *more* important. All of the Eight Priority Policies still need to be enforced in order to protect the quality of life in San Francisco. What charm would San Francisco have if its characteristic neighborhoods vanish? Are we to foster only new business in San Francisco for the tech industry while our older existing neighborhood businesses, often with cheaper overhead, rent and mortgages are to languish? Do we really want our teachers, fire fighters and police to spend hours in their cars or on BART, commuting into San Francisco while being away from their families? Will teachers treat our children better if they work, commute and are away from their nearest and dearest longer than the rest of us since they spend many hours grading papers that adds

to their daily work load? Do we really have no interest in the lives of the elderly, the handicapped and the disabled because they do not represent the future boom economy but are a relic of the past? For those that ignore the needs of the elderly, how will they feel when they themselves get old? Are "blue collar" workers so unimportant that they must leave San Francisco and when we require their services, pay for extra travel time needed to have them drive to work here? Don't tech workers have children that enjoy playing in open space like all children? These Eight Guidelines of Proposition M are still necessary and important even in the new economy.

Is the Tech Industry Here to Stay?

Is it wise to for City government to cater to an industry of young people, many without children and so mobile that they can close their lap top, pack their suitcase and leave town immediately, with all their office files and current projects intact? During the 1906 earthquake, 1/3 the residents moved to Oakland after the earthquake and fire. There were those that thought San Francisco would never recover and planned accordingly, easing building restrictions and eventually advertising San Francisco as an ideal place to live by showcasing it in the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in 1915. The point is, things happen and San Francisco is more vulnerable than many other cities, i.e. gas explosions, bridge failure, water delivery interruption, non-uniform fire hydrants, some over 100 years old. These are all examples of possible disasters in San Francisco. Will a mobile tech industry weather these disasters or will they flee and the industry we count on today for economic success be gone tomorrow?

Growth: Recipe for Success or Failure?

This January the City announced its draft income report for 2014 that was substantially up from the year before. However, the bad news is that the \$8.6 billion budget nearly matches its expenses being spent in unfunded retiree health care liability (\$3.9 billion) and in unfunded pension liability (\$3.9 billion). The largest revenue came from property taxes (\$1.2 billion). Pursuing the housing boom is the Mayor's best hope of an improved budget. Unfortunately, pension reform and health care reform have not been part of a new budget policy. City employees seem complicit in the Mayor's plan, having received a raise of 2.25% in their annual wages. Past City employees angrily ask not to have articles written about pension reform, planners approve bad or poorly designed projects routinely, judges rule in court cases in favor of development at the behest of the politicians who put them in office. These are examples where there is a need for improvement in the governance of San Francisco. We ask you, the public, to make a difference and change the discussion from unfettered growth, to a "quality of life" issue, here in San Francisco. We ask you to support a strengthening of the language of Proposition M.

Parkmerced

The Parkmerced renovation project, with the addition of 14,000 additional market rate apartments and/or condominiums, will provide a reliable source of tax income for the City into the future. Already younger tech worker are planned to replace the existing residents, with the reduction of stops of the 17 bus line from 20 to only four stops. This forces the elderly, disabled and handicapped to walk further to a bus in Parkmerced. The decision to demolish sound housing, destroy a recognized historical landmark by Thomas Church, the father of landscape architecture in the bay area and recognized leader in the *Modern* design movement, will forever change the neighborhood character of Parkmerced. The importance of this project, for supporting the income for the City and a place for tech workers to live and support the tech boom economy, provided the Court with the excuse to not just ignore Proposition M but to invalidate it entirely by claiming its language was not empathic, ignoring the use of words such as "must" or "shall". Parkmerced, the largest bastion of affordable middle class housing west of the Mississippi, will soon be no more.²

¹ <http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/S-F-reveals-nearly-22-million-surplus-5936293.php>

² <http://www.westsideobserver.com/2013/Parkmerced.html>

— Glenn Rogers (PmAC) PLA

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When Mayor Art Agnos learned that he would be the 2014 CSFN honoree he told us that he would accept on two conditions: the first was that he didn't want any sort of physical award. "Please save the money on plaques and use it for the organization. I am way past hanging plaques in my retirement," said he.

Of course we had to commemorate the occasion in some way, so Claire Zvanski and I decided to gin up a Proclamation, and the best way to do it was to go way WAY over the top!

So many of you wanted to read it that I promised to include it in this newsletter; and so here it is:

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

To all fine citizens within the sound of my voice and to all people in the local Village of San Francisco, let it now be known that the Most Honorable Art of Agnos is hereby being honored by the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods for exceptional deeds beyond the scope of usual citizens. Those deeds of valor and integrity are described hereunder.

As Mayor of the Village of San Francisco, he dismantled the towering fortress freeway of the Embarcadero, bringing light and beauty for all those who would live, frolic, and traverse along the Grand Embarcadero, henceforth.

Years pass while the Most Honorable Art of Agnos enjoyed relative peace and tranquility with his family and his fair lady, Sherry of Agnos. But, the Devious Dragons of Devastating Development were determined to destroy the integrity of the Grand Embarcadero and Winsome Waterfront.

Warriors from far off lands came forth to take over the Pier Waters, whereupon the Most Honorable Art of Agnos leaped forward and lunged to meet that dire challenge. It was one of the most formidable battles of recent times, resulting in the retreat of those fierce Warriors to the far outer lands of the Mission Bay, licking their wounds with their tails between their legs.

Undaunted, the Devious Dragons of Devastating Development remained determined to develop along the Grand Embarcadero and chose 8 Washington to propose a new fortress. The Most Honorable Art of Agnos quickly joined the Battle of the No Wall on the Waterfront in order to protect the height limit along the Grand Embarcadero, again securing the light and beauty he created when he dismantled the fortress freeway back in the day.

From his aerie castle upon the Hill of Potrero, the Most Honorable Art of Agnos oversees Pier 70. Contrarily, the Most Honorable Art of Agnos discovered this development would **not** devastate and destroy the integrity of his beloved waterfront. So, our Most Honorable Art of Agnos strapped on his armour and again went to battle, fighting for Pier 70 in the hopes of providing expanded enjoyment of the waterfront by the multitudes who frolic along the shores of our beloved village. After he proved victorious in this battle, he was rewarded with the Wreath of Victory to which all knights and warriors aspire!

Most recently, the iconic San Francisco Village flower Mart has been threatened by the Devious Dragons of Devastating Development. The Most Honorable Art of Agnos has joined his colleague, the Honorable Aaron of Peskin, to take up the gauntlet in order join battle and fight the good fight to protect the Village of San Francisco yet again.

For these deeds and others not yet noted or recorded in the history of the Neighborhoods of the Village of San Francisco, the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods does hereby honor and commend the Most Honorable Art of Agnos for his devotion and dedication to defending the integrity of our Neighborhoods and the Waterfront of the grand Village of San Francisco on this day, the 16th day of December Anno Domini 2014

AGENDA
General Assembly Meeting
January 20, 2015

- 6:30 I. Sign In and Refreshments
- 7:00 II. Call to Order/Ascertain Quorum
 - A. Introduction of Delegates and Guests / Short Announcements
 - B. Hosts
 - 1. Francisco Heights Civic Assn — FHCA
 - 2. Haight Ashbury Improvement Assn — HAIA
- 7:05 III. Approval of November 2014 Minutes
- 7:10 IV. Officers' Reports
 - A. President
 - B. Vice Presidents
 - C. Treasurer
- 7:25 V. Committee Action Items—written reports in Newsletter
 - A. Bylaws
 - B. Government & Elections
 - C. Land Use & Housing — Reso urging that the city refrain from relying on Housing Element EIR until Appeal has been concluded.
Full text on p.2 of this NL.
 - D. Media Relations
 - E. Open Space — Reso Urging Support of Proposed State Senate Bill 47.
Full text on p.5 of this NL.
 - F. Transportation
 - G. Water Task Force
- 7:40 VI. Unfinished Business.
- 7:40 VII. Introduction of New Business.
- 8:00 IX. Program: Land Use Attorney Sue Hestor
 - From the Vault: November 1986 Prop M
 - How did it come about? What was the process in writing it, who was involved? What did each bring to the table?
- X. Adjournment

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- Resolution in Support of Proposed State Senate Bill 47. (Open Space Cmte) Full text on p.5 of this NL.

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