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President's Message

by Deborah Murphy

I had the pleasure of attending the **West of Twin Peaks Central Council 90th Anniversary Celebration** on June 22. For 90 years, the West of Twin Peaks Central Council has brought neighbors together, championed issues that matter to our neighborhoods, and helped shape San Francisco's future. CSFN has done the same but for only 55 years! Two of the distinguished attendees were toolbox when the organization was formed. Willie Brown and Quentin Kopp were two of the speakers and their oratory skills like fire wine have only improved with age.

Come to the CSFN zoom meeting this July 21. We have 2 speakers – Captain Maggie Hallahan will speak about the five Scouts and Gashouse Cove. Kathrine Moore, recently retired after 20 years on the Planning Commission will talk about her research.

Register for7/21 to Hear Kathrin Moore

I want to thank John Crabtree who spoke at our last meeting about art item on The Budget and Appropriations Committee of the Board of Supervisors. There was an agenda item for a 400% increase in lawful argument filing fees. John was the first report to this and his quick action garnered support to oppose this and similar legislation. You can read his article in this newsletter. Spoiler alert – Democracy Wins!

If your organization hasn't paid 2020 dues yet you now have the option of paying by yelle – send $45 to **treasurer@csfn.net** or mail a check made out to CSFN to Greg Scott 637 Noe Street, SF CA 94114

Please email me at bmbphotos@earthlink.net and let me know when and where your neighborhood organization is meeting. I want to keep attending as many meetings as possible and continue learning about the issues in our city neighborhoods. Also contact me if you have ideas for speakers for our monthly meetings.

Candidates for Supervisor Discussion at June CSFN Meeting

Click above to see the video recap of our June discussion with Candidates for the Board of Supervisors.

What Became of the Two Anti-Democracy Ordinances

by John Crabtree in Through the Heavens Fall ...

Democracy wins, autocracy capitulates. Full today at least.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee of the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for the City and County of San Francisco conducted hearings on the two anti-democracy ordinances rushed forward from the Mayor's Office and Department of Elections.

BOS Budget Committee Agenda Item #6 (Board File #200503) and Agenda Item #7 (Board File # 200504) were slated to be heard and voted on by the Budget Committee this morning...

Read John's Full Article

Hope for the Embattled Gashouse Cove Fuel Dock in San Francisco's Marina

On map above, recent disputes marked by a red X. Green is still active.
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From LaStadia 38

by John Arndt

To most sailors and boaters who have spent years or decades on the Bay sailing, fishing, or taking friends out to discover the beauty of the Bay, the idea of putting up a fuel dock to top up the tanks is an afterthought. It's not that it's unimportant, it's just that it's something that you have everywhere. It's no big deal. Or at least it shouldn't be.

Today finding a fuel dock on the Bay can be harder than finding an EV charging station a decade ago. The last remaining fuel dock in San Francisco's Marina Gashouse Cove is subject to a lawsuit, harassment and redevelopment plans by the San Francisco Rec and Park Department which manages the marina. A recent letter being sent to the BCDC from the San Francisco Harbor Safety Committee is hoping to change that.

Addendum – the map above is from the Harbor Safety Committee working group, which produced an extensive report on Gashouse Cove and San Francisco Bay fuel docks.

Read John's Full Article

Merchants Group Demands SFMTA Cancel Ocean Avenue Red Lanes Before Election

A pole meeting demonstration against the red lanes. | Rex Rutkiewicz/Hoodline | y2n

A project designed to speed up the K Line as soon become an obstacle for the cash-strapped Muni's November ballot measure.

From The Ingleside Light
by Alex Mullaney

The cost of the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency installing red lanes on parts of Ingleside's Ocean Avenue appears to be mounting, at least politically.

More than 50 merchants and residents gathered with public officials in Golden Gate's side dining room on Monday evening to express opposition to the K Ingleside Rapid project's transit-only lanes...

Read Alex's Full Article

Affordable Housing Guarantee Act

by Heather Davies

Proponents of affordable housing and government accountability recently turned in over 20,000 signatures to bring the Affordable Housing Guarantee Act to the ballot. Although the measure was initially supported by Supervisors Sauter by the City's lack of a comprehensive funding plan to address San Francisco's well-documented affordability crisis, the quickly coalition* drafted the measure to ensure everyday taxpayers are not being saddled with solving for the failure of City Hall to implement previous voter mandates...

Read Heather's Full Article

Open the Great Highway

by John Crabtree in Through the Heavens Fall ...

Friday, I reported on the Tenthill People Against Sharing Organization* filing suit against John Arntz, Director of Elections for the City and County of San Francisco to prevent the determined little bunch of grassroots activist community members and lifestyle residents from putting a citizen-initiated measure on the November ballot to bring back the Great Highway Compromise and Open the Great Highway.

No need to shed any tears for Director Arntz, City Attorney David Chiu will assign an attorney of sufficient skill to protect the poor, hapless DOE Director...

Read John's Full Article

"What They Did For Lux"

Our friend Vandana Bali Di Scala recently wrote, sang, and produced "What They Did For Lux", a Broadway parody in the style of "What I Did For Love" from A Chorus Line.

She writes: "A loving musical parody inspired by San Francisco traffic politics, ocean views, and the closure of the Upper Great Highway. No matter where you stand on the issue, at least now we have a Broadway ballad about it."

Original parody lyrics, vocals, recording, mixing, mastering, and video production by Vandana Bali Di Scala. Recorded and mixed in Garageband. Mastered in BandLab on May 19, 2020.

Minutes from CSFN Meetings

6/16/2020 Minutes

Join Us at Our Monthly Meetings

CSFN holds monthly meetings and everyone is welcome.

CSFN 2020 Meeting Schedule

We'd love to have your join us in our work to improve our city. If you're a San Francisco neighborhood organization with 35 members or more check out what CSFN has to offer you. Annual dues are just $45.

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In our efforts to protect our neighborhoods, CSFN has formed alliances with other groups and individuals who have been invaluable in helping us obtain the resources and information that has helped us in our efforts to inform the public about the issues we care about. Please send us your suggestions for other groups to consider as well as publications, and social media sites of interest. https://csfn.net/affiliates/

We welcome your thoughts. Want to know more? Have ideas for us? Want to help? E-mail us

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