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Below you'll find headlines and information with clickable links for each article in our May 2026 newsletter. **Please forward this email to ALL your organization's members and friends interested in these issues.**

President's Message



by [Deborah Murphy](#)

Come to our zoom meeting this May 19 and you will hear from 3 of the candidates for Insurance Commissioner. Ben Allen, Patrick Wolff and Jane Kim will talk and answer questions from the audience.

Terrace Homeowners Association and Bill Mandell

will also speak. Bill Mandell wants to donate undeveloped land at the gateway to Twin Peaks so it can remain open space and free from development. Come hear them speak about the neighborhood preservation campaign.

Register for 5/19 Insurance Commissioner Candidates

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

CSFN was contacted by Talia Bryant, a high school student in SF working with the nonprofit GreenAction on a SF youth petition calling for the full cleanup of the Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard. She would like to share this petition with as many people as possible, and would really appreciate your help spreading the word. I've attached both the petition and a flyer she made with more information. Please help her and sign the petition and forward it to everyone in your neighborhood groups.

Sign the Petition

Share Talia's Flyer

If your organization hasn't paid 2026 dues yet you now have the option of paying by zelle – 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 bridgelady@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

Alex Shepard at April CSFN Meeting



Click above to see the video recap of our April discussion with
the Inspector General

Twin Peaks Showdown



Four undeveloped lots near the Panorama Drive approach to Twin Peaks could be preserved as open space — or sold for development if a donation deal fails.

by George Wooding in [The Westside Observer](#)

“...The owner of four vacant lots at **1230–1240 Twin Peaks Boulevard** wants to donate the land rather than sell it for housing, according to neighborhood organizers. The owner has asked the surrounding Midtown Terrace community to help find a public or conservation entity willing to accept the property...”

[Read George's Full Article](#)

CSFN Resolution Opposing SFPUC Water & Wastewater Rate Increases



“...Be it resolved that, the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods strongly urges the SFPUC to formulate two additional rate increase scenarios.

THEREFORE, Be it further resolved that, both scenarios use flat population growth projections with the first recalculation using a 6.0 year drought scenario and the second recalculation using a 7.5 year drought scenario to determine how each of these would result in reduced rate increases...”

[Read the Full Resolution](#)

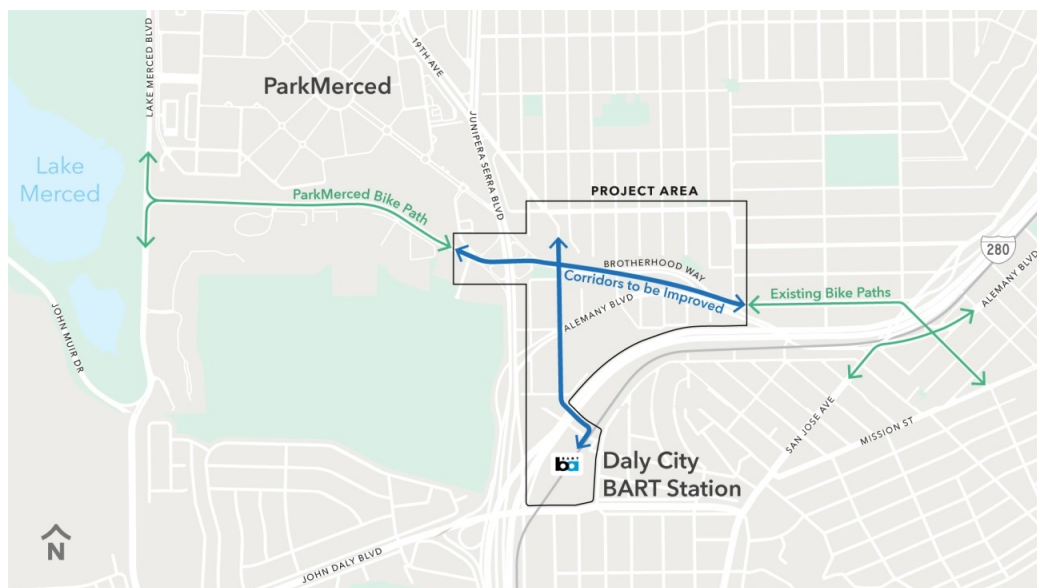
San Francisco Resolution to Keep Alemany Boulevard as Existing

“...Therefore Be It Resolved, that Alemany Blvd remain a 4-lane road and that the bridge over Brotherhood Way be eliminated to spend funds on “day to day“ expenses on BART and MUNI during this difficult financial time....”

(See map below)

[Read the Full Resolution](#)

SFCTA Article by Glenn Rogers



by Glenn Rogers

On April 13, 2026, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) provided their solution to the Brotherhood Way Safety and Circulation Plan Sketch Alternatives. David Long, Senior Planner, made the presentation for SFCTA. No questions were allowed by the public after his design presentation. The presentation allowed strict control of the narrative

presented. The public questioned where the SFO TA came up with their conclusions and plan alternatives since many ideas were never requested by the neighborhood

[Read the Full Article](#)

Equal Fire Protection for All

Vote NO On Prop A

**And make sure
San Francisco
has Equal Fire
Protection for
All.**



by John Crabtree

A fourth ESER bond, Proposition A, is on the ballot next month, this one for \$535 million...

“...Since I retired as Assistant Deputy Chief from the San Francisco Fire Department in 2011, after 32 years on the job, I've been advocating for the extension of the City's high-pressure hydrant system into the fifteen unprotected western and southern neighborhoods, where fighting fires after the next big earthquake will be impossible without this system of seismically robust blue, red or black topped hydrants. In 2010, after having been owned by the SFFD for 97 years, the high-pressure hydrant system was transferred to the Public Utilities Commission by Mayor Newsom.

Safety and Emergency Response (ESER) bonds (2010, 2014 and 2020), for a total of \$1.4 billion, \$312.5 million of which was supposed be used for extending the high-pressure hydrants into the fifteen unprotected neighborhoods. Yet in 16 years not a single hydrant nor a single foot of high-pressure water mains have been installed in the Richmond, the Sunset, Sea Cliff, or any other of these other twelve neighborhoods, where there are 138,000 wood-frame buildings and 400,000 residents, all of which will be defenseless against post-earthquake fires...”

[Read the Full Article by John Crabtree](#)[John's Top 11 Reasons to Vote “No” on Prop A](#)[Equal Fire Protection for All](#)

YIMBY Housing Shortage Myth & The “Affordable Density” Fake-out



by Eric Brooks, edited by sebraleaves

The affordable housing crisis is being hijacked, cynically distorted, and made worse by Big Real Estate and Big Tech manipulation...

Housing & Community Development Releases 22 New Housing Law Fact Sheets



“The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is pleased to announce the release of the Housing Law Fact Sheets to assist local decision-makers and staff, elected officials, and planning bodies in understanding and implementing key state housing laws.

Developed as part of a suite of resources for accelerating housing production, the collection of [22 housing law fact sheets](#) is designed to help local governments understand and implement key state housing laws by summarizing statutory requirements and policies, providing examples of relevant technical assistance letters, and highlighting recent legislative amendments....”

[Read the Full Article](#)[Housing Law Fact Sheets](#)

Californians on the Slow Boil



by George Wooding in [The Westside Observer](#)

“...Voters often accept “creeping” decline because the change is gradual, rather than reacting to abrupt shifts such as reduced government services,

Like the frog, San Franciscans are complacently sitting in a hot tub where the temperature keeps rising...”

[Read the Full Article by George Wooding](#)

Minutes from CSFN Meetings

[4/21/2026 Minutes](#)

Join Us at Our Monthly Meetings

CSFN holds monthly meetings and everyone is welcome.

[CSFN 2026 Meeting Schedule](#)



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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/>



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