

West of Twin Peaks Central Council Minutes April 26, 2010

10 Associations Present:

Balboa Terrace, Roger Ritter
Greater West Portal Neighborhood, Avrum Shepard
Lakeside Property Owners, Joyce Richardson
Midtown Terrace, George Linn
Miraloma Park, Karen Brislen
Monterey Heights, Barbara Gullion
Neighbors of Arden Wood, Matt Chamberlain
Pinelake Park, Don Dutil
St. Francis Woods, Carolyn Squeri
Westwood Highlands Homeowners, Dave Bisho

6 Associations Absent Forest Hill, Ingleside
Terrace, Lakeshore Acres Merced Manor, Sherwood
Forest, Twin Peaks Improvement Assn.

Officers Present:

George Wooding, President
Don Dutil, Vice President
Carolyn Squeri, Treasurer
Rae Doyle, Secretary

Guests:

Dorothy Johansen, PDIC
Mas Kawaguchi, PDIC
Herbert Dunmeyer, Forest Knolls
Brett Stein, Neighbors of Arden Wood
John Gavin, Parkmerced
Mitch Bull, Westside Observer
Kirsten Macaulay, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood
Gerald Cauther, Save MUNI
Bernadette Lawrence, Off Assblywoman Fiona Ma

FEATURED SPEAKERS: Sean Elsbernd, Dist. 7 Supervisor, Carmen Chu, Dist. 4 Supervisor, Orla O'Keefe, Special Asst. to the Supt. of Schools, Myong Leigh, Deputy Supt of Schools

Meeting called to order: 7:37 pm

Minutes: March 23 2010 minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn Squeri reported that there is \$ 3875.78 in the Treasury.

Committee Reports: Health, Communications and Events, no report

Traffic & Safety: Avrum Shepard reported that a 90-day pilot program to activate parking meters on Sunday from 10 am to 6 pm was planned for West Portal Avenue and 5 other City commercial districts. The program's purpose is to gather data to determine if Sunday meters will benefit local businesses by increasing turnover in parking spaces. Sean Elsbernd announced he opposes Sunday parking meters because people will go to where parking is free and local merchants will not benefit. Avrum reported that white plates placed in street parking places will transmit data to a central location to report on length of stay of cars and the data will be used to set meter rates & eventually to alert traffic cops where cars have extended meter times.

Land Use and Planning: Matt Chamberlain reported that controversial changes to the Discretionary Review process have been shelved for now by the BOS Land Use Committee, but more "agreeable" changes are being considered. The Plg. Dept will hear public comment on these issues on May 6 and May 10 at 1640 Mission St..

New Business: George Wooding announced the nominating committee for the 2010-2011 slate will include, Dave Bisho, Don Dutil, Paul Conroy, and George Linn. The slate will be announced at the May 24 meeting and voted on

June 28 Annual Meeting. Elliott Wagner of West Portal merchants announced a Sidewalk Fair on May 15 on West Portal Ave. George Wooding reported that he and Vice President Don Dutil will be absent at the May 24 meeting and Treasurer Carolyn Squeri will conduct that meeting.

Featured Speakers: Sean Elsbernd reported about legislation he wants to put on the November ballot by way of a voter signature campaign. The legislation will remove language in the City Charter regarding the way MUNI drivers wages are determined. At present drivers are guaranteed a salary between the highest and second highest paid driver wage in the country. George Wooding moved that WTPCC support the Elsbernd legislation. Karen Breslin seconded the motion that was passed unanimously. Carmen Chu spoke in opposition of a proposed Medical Cannabis Dispensary (MCD) on Taraval Street citing its proximity to schools, Taraval L MUNI line, a church and a shelter for women. There have been 2000 signatures gathered in opposition of the Taraval St. MCD. Myong Leigh and Orla O'Keefe spoke in favor of Prop A on the June ballot that will extend a parcel tax for another 20 years to fund retrofit and other projects in public schools. The parcel tax will add about \$32.20 to residential and commercial properties

Meeting Adjourned at 9:35