

Citizens Advisory Committee of the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan

Meeting Minutes

City and County of San Francisco

Monday, September 11, 2023

Attending:

Staff: Julian Bañales, Michelle Woo, Mat Snyder, Julia Malmo, Mark Draker

Board Members: Cliff Bargar, Anne Cervantes, Irma Lewis, Kim-Shree Maufas, Nathan Mee, Jolene Yee

MEETING AGENDA:

1. 6:30 – 6:50 p.m.: Administration (Irma Lewis, EN CAC Chair)

- Last meeting 12/4: Next step for Anne and Irma to contact D9 and D10 Supervisors about whether the ENCAC should be extended beyond 12/4. Possible land use projects that may generate impact fees.

- **Barger motioned to approve 6/5/2023 and seconded by Mee. Approved:** Bargar, Cervantes, Lewis, Maufas, Mee, and Yee
- **Maufas motioned to approve 7/24 minutes. Yee 2nd. Approved:** Bargar, Cervantes, Lewis, Maufas, Mee, and Yee

- Review 9/11/2023 Agenda

2. 6:40 – 6:50p.m. Officer Elections – Action Item - (Julian J. Bañales, SF Planning)

Officer nomination: Chair: Irma Lewis, Vice Chair, Henry Karnilowicz and Secretary: Kim-Shree Maufas. Cervantes motioned to approve and 2nd by Mee. Approved: Bargar, Cervantes, Lewis, Maufas, Mee, and Yee

3. 6:50 – 7:00 p.m.: Roster Review - (Irma Lewis, EN CAC Chair)

- 3 open positions on ENCAC: D8, Mayoral appointment vacancies, D9 & D10. May not get filled if ENCAC is not extended beyond 12/4.

4. 7:00 – 7:35 p.m.: Present Proposed Expenditure Plan for IPIC - Presentation – (Mat Snyder, SF Planning)

- **Developer Impact Fee Deferral and Reduction Legislation: Approved by Planning Commission and Full Board in July 2023.** The Board of Supervisors and Mayor convened a working group to work on construction impact fees issue. Developers will be able to lock in fees at the amounts assessed upon project approval rather than increasing each year until first construction document issued, payment of impact fees other than affordable housing fee can be deferred until first certificate of occupancy, and a 1/3 reduction in fees through FY29.
- **Ramification:** Next 2 years \$11 million fewer revenue due to this legislation. Will not be able to fund anything for the next several years. **Cannot fund Jackson Playground project.** May have some upside given how pessimistic Planning made projections and with this new legislation it may attract developers to move forward on projects. Need to communicate with projects, like Jackson Playground, that the \$5.8 million that was approved, but will not be available for their project.
- **Follow up with SF Rec and Park regarding financing for Esprit Park and Jackson Playground in the 12/4 meeting.**
 - *Question:* Can we use funds in other categories to fill deficits in others? Example: complete streets funding to recreation and parks.
 - *Answer:* The funding categories were justified when ENCAC was created, and it defined how much you could justify for the fee. The agencies have tried to put the funds in general purpose funds to build in flexibility.
 - *Synder:* Feedback to prioritize funding for Jackson Playground by possibly transferring money from complete streets to recreation and parks. Also try and give some funding for childcare.

5. 7:35 – 8:00 p.m.: PW (DPW now known as just Public Works aka PW) – Agency Presentations (Michelle Woo, Streetscape Program in Complete Streets at PW)

- **Potrero Gateway Project:** Is under construction. Everything is going well with Baumann Landscaping. They had over 100 artists apply, and they selected Future Forms for the public art project. All artwork approved and moving forward for maintenance agreement with Caltrans. 8 funding sources for this project including IPIC funds. Maintenance agreement between PW and Caltrans. GBD will do smaller everyday maintenance until they sunset in 2024. When they sunset, PW will be the key maintenance holder.
- **Minnesota Streetscape Project:** Will make the area handicap accessible, install irrigation and lighting and a gathering area. Estimate was \$2.5 million, and the actual bid came in at 83% of estimated budget. Ronen Contractor is a familiar contractor working with DP. Waiting for notice to proceed which we expect soon. Multiple funding sources. Noticed to proceed in Fall 2023 with expected completion will take about a year.
 - *Question from Cervantes:* Why was this project selected when it is located in an industrial warehouse area versus areas that have more housing. Concern that there wasn't sufficient outreach to all stakeholders and often doesn't incorporate blue collar workers or small businesses.

- *Answer:* This project was identified by the GBD and Dogpatch Plan as an important project.
- **Folsom Streetscape Project:** Note - *Project is not in ENCAC boundaries.* Just an FYI, contains bulbouts, traffic signals, and streetlight upgrades, landscaping, and MUNI boarding islands. Engineer estimate is \$34 million. Will do it in 3 phases and the contractor will be required to complete one phase before beginning the next phase.

6. 8:05 – 8:30 p.m.: SFMTA Working Group Follow Up - (Irma Lewis, EN CAC Chair) Julia Malmo, Mark Dreger (new) SFMTA Slow Street staff under Livable Streets Department.

- Malmo and Dreger were updated on the ENCAC issues hours before the meeting. Agreed that more information is needed from Chair Lewis and Member Cervantes
- Met with SFMTA in March 2023. ENCAC working group concerned with level of outreach, how decisions were made, was there any follow up on the impact of the slow streets. Concerned streets like Shotwell and understand that many residents object to making it a slow street. Feel like SFMTA is making decisions for the community and only talking to selected groups as representatives for the neighborhood.
- SFMTA understands that we need to talk to many groups to understand the needs. Slow Streets are acting on our Board's goal is to evaluate all slow streets and make them more established and permanent. Must meet Board metrics including 15 mph speed and traffic limits.
- MTA Staff will send a list of the Area Businesses and Community Organizations that they outreached to for direct input.

7. 8:35 p.m. : Close meeting - (Irma Lewis, EN CAC Chair)