



## **CASTRO/UPPER MARKET COMMUNITY BENEFIT DISTRICT**

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### **Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board of Directors Meeting on January 14, 2010 Chase Bank, Community Room; 2112-15<sup>th</sup> Street; San Francisco California**

The Meeting was called to order by President Dominic Campodonico at 6:07pm. A quorum was present and was maintained throughout the meeting.

**Directors present:** Greg Bronstein, Dominic Campodonico, Herb Cohn, Tim Patriarca, Pat Sahagun, Pauline Scholten, Richard Sollitto, Ken Stram;

**Directors absent:** Brian Greene, DeJauna Joseph, Gustavo Serina, and Ken Wingard

**Staff, Contractors, Guests:** Andrea Aiello (Executive Director), Richard Magary (taking Minutes), and three (3) members of the public.

An agenda was distributed to Board members and guests, along with supporting materials to Board members for use at the meeting. A "Friday Packet" of Board materials and then supplements had been emailed to Board members on about January 11, et seq. Guests were invited (but not required) to sign in.

#### **Brown Act Notice**

Dominic summarized California's Brown Act, as its rules apply to the CBD's Board meetings. They include provisions that meetings are publicly noticed in advance; are open to the public; for public comment on that specific item before any vote is taken; and for general public comment, scheduled as the next-to-last item of business (Item IX) on the Agenda for this meeting.

#### **Minutes from December 2, 2009**

After corrections to the draft emailed to Board members as part of the Friday Packet, the Minutes of the Board's meeting on December 2, 2009 were *approved* by general consent.

It was agreed that final Minutes posted on the CBD's website generally will not include Committee Reports and other supplemental materials which may be mentioned in the Minutes. However, the website will direct members of the public who wish to receive copies of such materials to contact the Executive Director.

#### **President's Report**

Dominic said that the Board Development Committee agreed to further defer elections for new Directors, while candidates for the office serve on a CBD Committee for about three months. That will allow candidates to become more familiar with the CBD's work, and for Board members to become better acquainted with the candidates. Two current candidates are working with the Services Committee; one other candidate is working with the Finance Committee.

Dominic and Andrea are preparing an updated list of Board Committees and their current members for distribution.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Herb presented the Treasurer's Report:

Beginning of month cash balances were \$293,781.39

During the month of November 2009, the CBD received interest income of \$270.29.

Expenses for the month were \$27,795.31 for our maintenance contract and administration costs.

End of the month cash balances were \$266,256.37

Herb also presented the Financial Statements for the month of November 2009 and year to date, and answered questions from Board members about them.

### **Business Attraction Campaign Report**

KenS summarized his written Report dated January 11, 2011(*sic*) (emailed to Board members as part of Friday Packet materials). The Report outlines the *LGBT Center* Economic Development Department's Business Attraction Campaign.

He answered questions from Board Members about the project.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Community Group Liaison Reports**

Dominic said that Board meetings now will include a report from Board members and others who serve as liaisons with various other significant community groups in the area. He asked Herb to begin with a report about *Merchants of Upper Market & Castro (MUMC)*, of which Herb is a longtime Board member and past president.

Herb said that MUMC currently is following a number of issues significant to the area, including mobile food services; proposed changes to on-street parking and parking meters; a new "branding" project for the area's retail, restaurant and bar businesses; annual special events such as a Sidewalk Sale and the annual year-end Holiday Promotion; among others.

#### **16<sup>th</sup>/Noe/Market Street Project**

Brian attended a recent informational meeting about this proposed major project. He could not attend tonight's meeting and will report at the next meeting.

#### **Services Committee**

Dominic summarized his January 8 Services Committee Report which was distributed in the Board's Friday Packet.

He noted the provision later in this meeting's Agenda, for a Motion and vote regarding supplemental Security Services at the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Plaza. The Services Committee recommended in its Report that there be no such added services at this time, but included this on the Agenda if any board member felt otherwise.

He also summarized the written Committee Report regarding Evaluation of the Community Guides Program. *MJM Management's* January 8, 2010 Report for December 2009 (incorrectly labeled "August 2009" in the Report as sent) was included in the Friday Packet. *MJM Management* has been asked to be more specific in its future monthly reports, regarding the Community Guides activities.

#### **Streetscape Committee**

The Streetscape Committee's January 8, 2010 Report, which was included in the Friday Packet, was noted. There were no questions.

#### **Board Development Committee**

See comments in the President's Report (above) regarding this Committee.

### **Executive Director's Report**

The Executive Director's December 2009 Report which was included in the Friday Packet was noted. There were no questions.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Fiscal Agent Language**

Dominic said that the Executive Committee is continuing to research and consult sample agreements from other groups, and should be able to make a recommendation soon.

## **New Business**

### **Streetscape Committee - Community Award Program**

Tim made a Motion from the Streetscape Committee (which does not require a second) to give the CastroCBD's first Community Award to *Orphan Andy's* restaurant and its owners, Dennis Ziebel and William Pung, in recognition of their ongoing work on behalf of and support for the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Plaza. After discussion and a call for Public Comment (there was none) the Motion passed *unanimously*.

### **MOEWD Grant Proposal**

It was agreed that no motion of this subject is needed at this time.

### **17<sup>th</sup> Street Plaza Security Services**

There was no Motion on this subject. See discussion in the Services Committee report above.

### **Sit-Lie Law**

It was M-GB, 2<sup>nd</sup>-PS that the Castro CBD Executive Committee and Executive Director work with the City to develop appropriate "Sit-Lie" legislation, to address issues discussed recently in the local media. The motion pertains to the general concept of a "Sit-Lie" ordinance and specifically does not seek Board approval of any particular proposed piece of legislation. After Board discussion and a call for Public Comment (there was none), the Motion passed *unanimously*.

### **Public Comment**

General Public Comment was called for at this point. There was none.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm.

Minutes taken and prepared by Richard Magary.

**Approved** February 12, 2010