

Minutes—February 23, 2004

9 Organizations Present:

Greater West Portal, Bud Wilson
Ingleside Terrace, Paul Conroy
Lakeshore Acres, Bill Chionsini
Merced Manor, Karen Niglio
Midtown Terrace, Gilbert De La Mora
Miraloma Park Improvement Club, Kathy Rawlins
Monterey Heights, Barbara Gullion
Twin Peaks Improvement Assn., Gerald Towan
Westwood Park, Margaret Reed

9 Organizations Absent: Balboa Terrace, Forest Hill,
Galewood Circle, Lakeside Homes, Lakeside Property
Owners, Pine Park Neighborhood Assn., Sherwood Forest,
St. Francis Home Assn., Westwood Highlands

Officers Present:

Bill Chionsini, Acting President
Rae Doyle, Recording Secretary
Margaret Reed, Treasurer

Guests:

Doris Dawdy, Merced Manor
David Dawdy, Merced Manor
Don Harms, Merced Manor
John Moylan, Merced Manor
George Zaback, Twin Peaks Improvement Assn.
Evernease McKnight, Midtown Terrace
Marilyn Amini, Greater West Portal
Avrum Shepard, Greater West Portal
Charlie Meyers, Lakeshore Acres
Barbara Chionsini, Lakeshore Acres
Dorothy Johansen, Parkside District Improvement Club
Anita Theoharis, Westwood Park
D. J. Canepa, Supervisor Tony Hall's Office
Sevag Larkissian, Assemblyman Leland Yee's Office
John Gavin, Mayor Gavin Newsom's Office
Christina Kerby, Assemblyman Leland Yee's Office

FEATURED SPEAKERS: Assemblyman Leland Yee

Joanne Hayes-White, Fire Department Chief

David Gutierrez, Mayor's Office Neighborhood Liaison for Districts 2 & 7

Meeting came to order: 7:50 pm

Minutes: The January 26, 2004 minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report: Margaret Reed reported that there is \$3008.11 in the Treasury

Committee Reports:

Zoning: Bud Wilson reported that the appeal of the negative declaration of the Housing Element (HE) was filed by the lawyer for Save Our Neighborhoods and the Coalition of San Francisco Neighborhoods (CSFN) on January 30. The item will be heard on 2/26/04 and will be proposed for continuance to 3/18/04. If the Plg Comm. denies the appeal, it will go to the Board of Supervisors where it is expected the appeal will win. A proposal to have the Plg. Comm. delegate the Discretionary Review (DR) process to the Plg. Dept. was heard on 2/19/04 and was voted down by a vote of 5 to 2. Anita Theoharis, Marilyn Amini, & Karen Wood attended the hearing & deserve credit for influencing the vote. Anita Theoharis reported that the Plg. Dept. now proposes to raise the DR fee up to \$2500 plus time & materials. However, there is a provision that you can file indigency and pay a lower fee.

Ocean Avenue Revitalization/Lakeshore Plaza, Lowell High School: No reports

Stonestown Village: Bill Chionsini reported that a letter to Tony Hall expressing concern about his labeling members of Preserve Our Neighborhood (PON) "fanatics" was mailed 2/22/04. Karen Niglio was concerned that the letter said that PON had approached Supervisor Hall with their concerns, and they had not. Bud Wilson raised the question about whether there was a motion to invite Supervisor Hall to WTPCC in the letter. A previous review of the meeting tape had shown it was discussed but was not part of the motion. D. J. Canepa, who is now on Supervisor Hall's staff, apologized for any offense caused by remarks Supervisor Hall made to Examiner and West Portal Monthly.

Website: Avrum is working on a plan to reduce the cost of the website.

New Business: Bill Chionsini announced that Supervisor Machela (SP?) Aliota will be the featured speaker in March and Angela Aliota will appear in April. He also suggested that WTPCC invite Police Commissioner Heather Fong to speak.

Delegate News & Announcements: Paul Conroy gave an update on the demolition on Junipera Serra. The building inspector determined that the demolition was illegal. The owners are appealing to the Board of Appeals on 3/3/04. *Paul moved that a letter from the WTPCC president be sent to Board of Appeals approving upholding the building inspector's decision. The motion was seconded and carried.*

Featured Speakers: Assembly Leland Yee presented to WTPCC a California Assembly resolution honoring its 66-year anniversary. The resolution highlighted WTPCC's many achievements and underscored the positive impact it has made in the local communities. He stated his long-standing admiration for neighborhood efforts. He also discussed California's Budget problems and spending cuts, and how the Assembly was focusing on how to make them with the least negative impact. Fire Department Chief Joanne Hayes-White reported that she has experienced support since her appointment as the first female San Francisco's Fire Chief. Her challenge is to save money but not compromise service and use technology to increase efficiency. David Gutierrez, introduced himself as the Mayor's liaison for Districts 2 and 7. His current focus is on Parks and Recreation.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm