

DRAFT West of Twin Peaks Central Council Minutes – April 23, 2007

12 Organizations Present:

Balboa Terrace, Hanna Fleck
Forest Hill, Walt Farrell
Greater West Portal, Rae Doyle
Lakeside Property Owners, Joyce Richardson
Merced Manor, Lynn Lynch
Midtown Terrace, George Linn
Miraloma Park Improvement Club, Gary Noguera
Pinelake Park, Don Dutil
St. Francis Woods, Carolyn Squeri
Twin Peaks Improvement Assn., Denise LaPointe
Westwood Highlands, Dave Bisho
Westwood Park, Margaret Reed

4 Organizations Absent: Ingleside Terrace, Lakeshore Acres,
Monterey Heights, Sherwood Forest

Officers Present:

Denise LaPointe, President
Don Dutil, Vice President
Carolyn Squeri, Treasurer
Rae Doyle, Recording Secretary
Dave Bisho, Parliamentarian

Guests:

Ken Kruszka, Greater West Portal Assn.
Emerick Kalman, Greater West Portal Assn
Marilyn Amini, Greater West Portal Assn
Bud Wilson, Greater West Portal Assn
Herb Dunmeyer, Forest Knolls
Charlie Meyers, Lakeshore Acres
Alene Meyers, Lakeshore Acres
Mara Kopp, Lakeshore Acres
George Wooding, Midtown Terrace
Jed Lane, Miraloma Park Improvement Club
Doris Linnenbach, Twin Peaks Improvement Assn.
Anita Theoharis, Westwood Park
Mike Garcia
Steve Lawrence, Coalition of SF Neighborhoods
Daniel Homsry, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services
Sgt Michelangelo Apodaca, Taraval Station
Sgt. Steve Quon, SFPD, Taraval Station

Featured Speakers: Supervisors Aaron Peskin (Dist 3) & Sean Elsbernd (Dist 7)

Joan Girardot, CSFN, presented opposition to PUC's Inclining Block Structure Rate

Meeting came to order: 7:37 p.m.

Minutes: The March 23, 2007 minutes were approved with 2 words added in Land Use & Planning Committee report.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn Squeri reported there was \$2,378.00 in the treasury.

Police Report: Sgt. Steve Quon reported that the string of robberies at Parkmerced ended with an arrest on St. Patrick's Day. One of the robbers lived in the complex. The **Time Bandit**, responsible for about 14 robberies is in custody. 3 kids were arrested doing graffiti. Graffiti is not considered a serious crime. Gary Noguera reported that by calling 311 and asking to be put on a court watch, a person will be informed by e-mail when a graffiti offense is being tried and people showing up at these hearings makes a huge difference. Denise said that information would be put on WTPCC website. Mike Garcia thanked WTPCC for their support of Officers Bragagalolo and Briggs who are now back working on the streets.

COMMITTEES:

Traffic & Safety, Land Use & Planning: no reports

Community & Events: Denise LaPointe distributed a resolution regarding Laguna Honda Hospital admission policies for delegates to take back to their organizations and vote on in May. Denise LaPointe announced that the 70th anniversary of WTPCC will be celebrated on June 25 at the Forest Hill Club House from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Merchants will donate refreshments.

Featured Speakers: District 3 Supervisor Aaron Peskin spoke of MUNI Reform, the Budget, and Term Limits. In 1999 the voters approved Prop E that ceded MUNI to an independent commission, MTA, and there have been problems since. The Mayor & BOS can either return the oversight of MUNI to politicians or strengthen MTA. **Peskin** prefers the later. He is going to introduce a Charter Amendment reforming Prop E. & requiring more accountability of MTA. Technical & personnel problems were responsible for the crisis with the new T-Third line. He is against the term limits voted in 10 years ago. Re the Budget: because of the past dot-com crisis & the SARS epidemic, budget cuts were made and are still in place. SF is at an all time low for MUNI drivers, and is down 200 police officers. SF has \$127,000,000 surplus. There is debate in BOS re how the surplus will be spent. **Supervisor Sean Elsbernd** stated he wants term limits to continue. Regarding LHH, he said that at a BOS Government Audit and Oversight Committee hearing, it was determined that LHH would provide a medical model of assisted living to patients. LHH previously maintained that supportive housing and assisted living were interchangeable. Supportive Housing clients have tenancy rights and assisted living patients do not. Re the EIR of the SFSU project, his office, WTPCC, the Planning Dept. and PUC have written letters regarding errors in the EIR. **Joan Girardot** explained how the PUC's Inclining Block Rate Structure penalizes families because it only applies to housing units with water meters and those units are usually occupied by families & comprise only 1/3 of SF's population. **Rae Doyle** moved that WTPCC take a position to oppose the Inclining Block Rate Structure, **Don Dutil** seconded. It was passed unanimously.

Delegate News & Announcements: Doris Linnenbach asked Aaron Peskin if Sutro Tower is still necessary for SF when new technology may make it obsolete. George Wooding announced that there would be a Town Hall Meeting regarding LHH admission policies on May 10 at Forest Hill Christian Church at 7:00 pm

Adjourned: 9:35 pm