

BNP Organizing Committee
Wednesday, October 17, 2013
Union Bank
Minutes

Highlights of last Wed Organizing Committee meeting:

There was not a quorum.

SF Transportation Plan (SFCTA)

- * SFCTA is doing outreach about the SF Transportation Plan (40 year plan)
- * Of a \$51.7B budget thru 2040, there is only \$3.1 uncommitted for other projects.
- * They have a website for the public to input their ideas for how this uncommitted amount should be spent.....www.sfbudgetczar.com
- * It is surprising that among the presently committed projects, the Geary BRT is not included. Our concerns were noted.
- * We will invite SFCTA to give us an update on Geary BRT at our next meeting.

Japantown Neighborhood Commercial District Update

- * Thanks to Paul Wermer for leading this complex/comprehensive zoning proposal.
- * The subcommittee's recommended changes were sent to the Org Comm yesterday. The summary page is an excellent capsule of the recommendations.
- * Generally, this zoning proposal is more balanced in 'restrictions' than NC 2 or NC 3.
- * Wertheim will clarify that the Transit District definition.
- * This is ready for moving forward for legislative approval.

Japantown Social Heritage District (Wertheim)

- * The Page and Turnbull process outline was sent to the Org Comm as part of Steve Wertheim's Status Memo to the Planning Commission.
- * The Cultural Heritage Subcommittee (CHS) met with consultants and decided on criteria for closer review/profiling of the 300 listed cultural assets, and selected 25 assets for sampling the profile forms.
- * Page and Turnbull will complete the forms and meet with the CHS on Nov 13 to review the completed forms.

Japantown Design Guidelines (Wertheim)

- * Planning Dept staff architects are rewriting the drafted Design Guidelines and will be brought back to this committee by December.

Announcements:

- * All are invited to meeting of Calif Community Economic Development Commission Tues Oct 23 4:30-6:30 at West Bay Conf Center.
- * **Next Org Committee meeting has been changed from Nov 21 to Wed Nov 14 6:00 at Union Bank**