Graffiti Advisory Board
Thursday, July 11, 2019
Regular Meeting 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
30 Van Ness Avenue, 5th Floor
Department of Engineering Main Conference Room
San Francisco, California

MINUTES

1. Call to Order


3. Public Comment - The public may comment on any matter within the Advisory Board’s jurisdiction at this time. Please comment on agenda items below when the item is called. Comments may be limited to two minutes at the discretion of the Chair - (discussion item)
Representatives available to answer any questions regarding the Law Enforcement section of GAB Annual Report.
No public comment.

5. Approval of draft February, March, April, May, and June Draft minutes - (discussion and action item)
Vote by email? Follow up needed to have the minutes approved electronically.

6. Report by Chair - (discussion and possible action item)

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Graffiti Advisory Board: Chair’s Report

- **Absences Excused:**
  - Officer Martin Ferreira (SFPD)
  - Tom Ostly (SFDA)
  - Mike Petricca(Seat 16)

- **Vacancies/Inactive:**
  - Mayor’s – VACANT
  - Seat 8 - VACANT
  - Seat 12 – VACANT
  - Seat 14 – VACANT
Graffiti Stats:

- **Public Works Stat report numbers:** For the period of June 2019 the number of calls for graffiti on public property reported by the public and internal sources was 1,643. This number is up from the same time last year with 1,300 reports of graffiti vandalism on public property. There were 360 non-reported graffiti tags abated on public property by Public Works staff in June 2019.

- **Private Property Stats:**

  - In May 2019 Public Works staff issued 456 new private property graffiti NOVs (compared to 510 in May 2018), of which 92.5% have been owner abated.

  - Of the new NOV cases in May 2019, districts 9 (Mission, Bernal Heights, Portola), 6 (South of Market, Tenderloin, Civic Center), and 5 (Western Addition, Haight Ashbury, Inner Sunset) received the most new NOV’s with 130 in D9, 71 in D6, and 60 in D5.

  - DPW reports show that 211 cases of private graffiti NOV’s have gone to blight in May 2019. This number is up from the same time last year with 185 NOV to blight cases.

- **Membership update:**
  - Vacant/inactive seats: Mayor’s Appointee, #8, #12 (Serving Youth), and #14 SF Chamber of Commerce.
  - Some of the seats are expired and I would like to ask you to please reapply for your seat if you have not done so already.
  - If you know of anyone interested in applying for the vacant seats, please have them contact Jimmer Cassiol or Leo Alfaro for information on the application process.

- **19th Year Community Clean Team Update:**
  - The next community Clean Team event will take place Saturday, July 20th in District 9. The kickoff will be at John O’Connell High School, located at 2355 Folsom Street.
  - Also on July 20th, in partnership with San Francisco Public Works, Recology, and Asian Pacific American Community Center, we will be hosting two Gigantic 3 (G3) events in districts 4 and 1:

    **District 9: 99 Mistral Street**
• The next GAB tentatively scheduled for Thursday, September 12, 2019.

7. Subcommittee Reports

Education Subcommittee – Idea to recruit Warriors to do some anti-graffiti campaigning. Move to make Where Art Lives Program to become multiyear grant.

Law Enforcement Subcommittee – Review of the arrest summaries. Numbers looked typical for July. Interesting instance of graffiti at ATM, caught on camera. Email question from Jessica, regarding a rise in D4 near Taraval.

Abatement Subcommittee – Instances of taggers taking advantage of merchants by saying they are with the city and are required to paint the mural on the business. Targeting limited English proficient business owners. Informational pamphlet for business owners about their rights. GAB sponsored pamphlet would be a good idea to inform them about their rights and resources and information on Advertisement Graffiti. DA might be able to help create a “Know your rights” pamphlet.

8. Old Business – (discussion and possible action item)
   a. Response from Supervisor Fewer’s Office re: graffiti and vacant storefronts
      i. Follow up from Supervisor Peskin’s Office – Chris not present, no updates on Response from Supervisor Peskin.
   b. Annual GAB Report
      i. Final Review of Report – StreetSmARTS spelling. Jean to reformat the draft. Do we want to include photos of taggers (Mugshots). Might not be public information and might not be in our best interest. Identify the membership for each subcommittee. Supervisorial District correction.

9. New Business -- (discussion and possible action item)
   a. Master Schedule – Reference of GAB efforts – Google Calendar format
   b. Meeting with Mayor and Supervisors – Appointments to empty Seats.
   c. Rodney Fong – new president for Chamber of Commerce.

10. Adjournment – 4:36 PM