Graffiti Advisory Board
Thursday, February 11, 2021
Regular Meeting 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
WebEx (virtual meeting)
San Francisco, California

MINUTES

1. Call to Order – 3:36 pm


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.

4. Approval of draft January draft minutes - (discussion and action item) – Minutes reviewed. No quorum.

5. Report by Chair –The response rate for January public property graffiti abatement inquiries within 48 hours was 33%. Although the total number of Notice of Violations (NOVs) issued in January 2021 (188) is lower than that of January 2020 (367), the total NOVs to blight has increased 81.9%. District 6 has the most NOVs at 40 while District 7 has the least. DiJaida Durden will sit on the seat representing San Francisco Public Works. Farheen Usmani has been appointed to sit on the seat representing San Francisco Recreation and Parks.

6. Subcommittee Reports
a. Education – Jean Barish and Earl Shaddix will work with Clear Channel to inquire about anti-graffiti public service announcements and ad campaigns on bus stop shelters and billboards.

b. Abatement – Farheen Usmani was the only member present.

c. Law Enforcement – Officer Martin Ferreira reports that 3 arrests were made in January which is low for January. He will follow up on the defaced mural celebrating Filipino artists at the Asian Art Museum. Since it was a high-profile incident, Officer Ferreira believes there was a lot of public interest and commends the Tenderloin officers. Julia Gonzales said 2 of the 3 cases Officer Ferreira mentioned have been charged felony vandalism cases and they’re looking for more evidence for the third case.

7. Old Business – (discussion and possible action item)
   a. No old action items.
8. New Business – (discussion and possible action item)
   
a. San Franciscans want trash cans at bus shelters
   
   i. Jean Barish’s friends want new trash cans to be placed in every bus shelter and she wonders who in SF Public Works she can direct them to. DiJaida Durden clarifies that more trash cans will be placed throughout the city and Ramses Alvarez will give a contact to Jean Barish.

9. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn – 4:05 pm
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