

Inviting Space Committee Meeting
June 21, 2021, 12:00 pm

(Meeting is being held online due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic)

Meeting Minutes

Present:

Susie McKinnon

Naomi Maisel

Blair Czarecki

Hunter Franks, TLCBD Staff

1. Call to Order

S. McKinnon calls the meeting to order at 12:01pm.

2. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

3. Update and Discussion: Safe Passage Park

H. Franks shares updates on Safe Passage Park, new community space running along the South side of the 200 block of Turk St. Grand Opening set for Saturday, July 17th.

S. McKinnon shares idea for hanging gardens/plants running up the vertical elements of the space.

4. Update and Discussion: Dodge Alley

H. Franks gives updates on Dodge Alley, efforts to activate the space and build a gate.

S. McKinnon asks how we make sure the space remains active and doesn't become a space like McCoppin Hub or Tenderloin National Forest that were alleyways/spaces converted into public space that are no longer very active.

H. Franks agrees that ongoing activation is crucial. Hopes that Block Safety Groups can support the activations long-term.

N. Maisel shares idea we could unite these different new public spaces with marketing/language that unites spaces, a medallion or something that we could add to spaces. This could tie into a larger Inviting Space branding campaign.

4. Update and Discussion: La Cocina Parklet

N. Maisel shares update that the parklet is in the initial design phase. It will be a space for socializing and community. Would like to do focus group perhaps with this Committee. Perhaps residents could steward plants at the parklet.

B. Czarecki notes that the most successful parklets have sweat equity model