



Board of Directors Meeting

May 22, 2024, 5:00 pm

48 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA

Meeting Minutes

FINAL/APPROVED 6/05

Present:

- Mike Vuong, President, Business Owner Seat (Boys & Girls Clubs of SF)
- Naomi Maisel, Vice President, Business Owner Seat (La Cocina on Hyde)
- Bilal Mahmood, Treasurer/Chair, Finance, Admin & Fund Development Committee, Resident Seat
- Diana Pang, Secretary, Property Owner Seat (Chinatown Community Development Center)
- Justin Bautista, Resident Seat
- Nafy Flatley, Chair, Policy & Voice Committee, Business Owner Seat (Teranga)
- Gregory Johnson, Resident Seat
- Gordon Leung, Property Owner Seat (Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation)
- Isabel Manchester, Chair, Operations & Stewardship Committee, Property Owner Seat (The Phoenix Hotel)
- Cindy Ramesh, Property Owner Seat (Hilton)
- Shelbey Wiedemann, Property Owner Seat (UC College of the Law)

TLCBD Staff:

- K. Halhoul, TLCBD Staff
- Paris McBride, TLCBD Staff
- Enrique Ovando, TLCBD Staff
- Kate Robinson, TLCBD Staff
- Alicia Seleska, TLCBD Staff
- Curtis Wong, TLCBD Staff

Absent:

- Jennifer Kiss, At Large Seat (R&D Foundation)

Guests:

- Jackie Hazelwood, Office of Economic and Workforce Development (CBD Team)
- Lieutenant Thomas McGuire, San Francisco Police Department
- Kacee Ochalek, Office of Economic and Workforce Development (CBD Team)
- Dmitri Shimolin, CEO Applied Video Solutions

1. Welcome

K. Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.

2. Update: Executive Director Report & Program Highlights

- K. Robinson provided high level program updates, special projects, and things coming down the pipeline.
- Executive Director Summit Meetings: K. Robinson and M. Vuong convened meetings with neighborhood leadership to strengthen relationships and unite regarding three priorities - drug problems, cleanliness, and improving services (emphasis on youth issues). To date, approximately 12 regular participants, 3 sessions, and a commitment to meet monthly. Letter sent to Mayor and Board of Supervisors to ensure the three priorities. Initiative is to support existing services - not create new services. The meetings are facilitated by Planning.
 - Staffing Updates: F. Turbeville, Director of Finance, was hospitalized. Obtained a temporary replacement who is ready to jump in and help the organization through the budgeting process.
 - US Attorney Ismail Ramsey Lunch & Learn: Fantastic community meeting - C. Larsen in attendance. Reported on activities designed to eliminate the drug trade. Positive impact and crime reduction - focus on midnight to early morning criminal activity.
 - District Attorney Brooke Jenkins Merchant Walk: Scheduled for June 6th, 2:30-4:00PM. She will attend the Tenderloin Business Coalition meeting. Route map pending - ideas welcomed.
 - Grant Updates: DCYF \$2M (for 5 years youth voice program - transitional age youth workforce and leadership development); CA Rise \$75K (workforce for clean team); Dolby \$25K (renewed) \$1.4MM received for cameras.
 - FY 25 Budget Priorities: Top priority is parks - maintain clean and safe environment, employ residents, and secure multi-year guaranteed funding. Parks need stewardship - not treated as an add on to the Urban Alchemy (UA) contract.
 - AP Story - Tatiana: Highlighted her hard work and Safe Passage. K. Robinson noted an increase in media requests (e.g., German television, Fox, and Dr. Phil).

[Action: Contact K. Robinson with suggestions on the DA Jenkins Merchant Walk route map.]

3. Action: Vote on Camera policy language and discussion

K. Robinson and D. Shimolin reviewed new camera policy language and next phase.

- K. Robinson summarized the new camera policy (as discussed in prior Executive Committee meetings). Major changes will include system upgrades for AI capability (with C. Larsen funding), preparing the system to rollover to SafeCity Connect, and end TLCBD Camera Program by selling the network. Process scheduled to conclude within six months with additional meetings and Ad Hoc meetings leading up to the transition.
- D. Shimolin provided AVS background and highlighted the concept of a trusted service provider. SafeCity Connect was created within AVS for public/community needs. It's an effective protocol, as evidenced by Mid-Market CBD, Japantown CBD, Fisherman's Wharf CBD, and others, that speeds investigation cycles. Archive access to a select few investigators which effectuates arrests and decreases crime. K. Robinson noted that this would be the attachment to the policy procedures for authorized investigators.
- Lieutenant T. McGuire, San Francisco Police Department provided 3 testimonials concerning his use of near real-time video retrievals (highlighting successes and limitations) - especially related to

the Strategic Investigations Unit. Essential points included that delayed investigations were prevented, apprehension of suspects/release of innocent citizens was quickened, and car chases/dragnets occur less often. He also noted that providing access to camera networks is reversible - access can be rescinded.

- D. Shimolin shared an example of the current live monitoring process at another CBD and noted that limited live access helps track suspects as they traverse neighborhoods. Lieutenant T. McGuire concurred.
- K. Robinson and D. Shimolin discussed the benefits of AI technology. Also recognized that the status quo will be maintained for residents and property owners - their access/camera footage requests will remain intact. Facial recognition is not currently part of the scope.

MOTION: That Tenderloin Community Benefit District (TLCBD) approve new camera policy language and transition of cameras.

Moved by: B. Mahmood

Seconded by: I. Manchester

Abstained: none

Passed: Unanimous

4. Update: Budget Process

- This item was combined with the item below. Budget discussion and vote will occur during the June 2024 meeting.

5. Update: June Board Meetings and Beyond

K. Robinson and M. Vuong identified future meetings: (1) Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 25th (5pm-6:30pm). Vote on the budget, new board members and review K. Robinson (review comments are due on 06/18); (2) No July meetings; and (3) Full Board Meeting on Wednesday, August 21st (5pm-6:30pm). Vote on officers, Board President to name Committee Chairs and Executive Committee and review meeting schedule for the next 12 months.

6. Update: Clean Team Deep Dive

P. McBride provided the Board with new and updated knowledge on the Clean Team, including the new Clean Team II.

- K. Robinson introduced P. McBride. Latest achievements were building Clean Team II (CT2) and Custodial Team.
- P. McBride described himself as a San Francisco native and a long-term community member. Primary goal is to maintain a cleaner environment and to create public perception changes. Identified CT2 as the 5:00AM-1:30PM shift - tent counts are made before 7:00AM. Team members have befriended neighbors and businesses. CT2 does interior and CT1 does power washing. Over 150 bags of trash are taken out of the Tenderloin every day instead of waiting for DPW.
- G. Johnson inquired about providing flyers to property/business owners to maintain cleanliness throughout the week. K. Robinson concurred that an educational piece is a good idea.

- K. Robinson, M. Vuong and E. Ovando discussed the need to identify all the groups/initiatives that are cleaning the neighborhood - this can identify major gaps and eliminate duplication of effort.

7. Action: Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

MOTION: Review and approve draft minutes of the March 2024 Board meeting.

Moved by: G. Johnson

Seconded by: C. Ramesh

Abstained: M. Vuong, N. Maisel, D. Pang, N. Flatley, G. Leung

Passed: Yes

8. Information Sharing: Comment, Announcements and Future Items

- This item was eliminated due to time constraints. News was shared in the above dialogue.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Next Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, June 25th, 5:00 pm | 48 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA

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