

the Potrero Community Voice

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Next Meeting – January 29 Potrero Hill Neighborhood House 953 DeHaro Street (at Southern Heights)

- 6:45 pm Social
- 7:00 pm Business Meeting
Introductions / Welcome to New Members
Police Report
Neighborhood Issues
- 7:40 pm Proposition A - The Parks Bond
with Corinne Woods, Neighborhood
Parks Council
- 8:05 pm Break
- 8:15 pm Daggett Triangle –
Housing, Biotech, or What?
with Dan Murphy, UrbanGreen Devco

President's Message

The Parks Bond – Vote February 5

At Tuesday's Boosters meeting, we'll have a presentation on the biggest local issue on the February ballot: the \$185 million Parks Bond. The bond measure includes a rare collaboration between the City and the SF Port (which is officially a separate agency). Thanks in part to the efforts of a lot of Booster members, the proposed bond includes more than \$33 million for the development of parks on Port property along the eastern shore of the City:

- Bayfront Park at Mission Bay
- Pier 70 Crane Cove Park at end of 20th St.
- Warm Water Cove Park at end of 24th St.
- Islais Creek Shoreline Park
- Heron's Head Park at end of Cargo Way
- the Blue Greenway Trail which runs along the waterfront from AT&T Park south to the City's boundary.

The Boosters don't have an official position on the bond, but it is supported by many Booster members, along with a large number of community and environmental organizations and every local elected official; our friend Corinne Woods of Mission Bay (and the Neighborhood Parks Council) will be presenting the bond measure at our meeting on Tuesday. Booster member Janet Carpinelli has window signs supporting the measure; if you can put up a Prop A sign at your residence or business, send her your address at jc@carpinelli.com.

The return of Plan Potrero Hill

As many Boosters know, the Eastern Neighborhoods planning process (including re-zoning plans for Showplace Square and the Central Waterfront) has been a decade-long mix of aggravation and tedium, with occasional moments of excitement and repeated reminders that this is really important work that will, in fact, shape our daily lives for many years into the future. This month is no different, except that the excitement comes from **the publication of long-awaited area plans for our new and larger neighborhoods, published in December by the Planning Department.** As we've discussed before, we had a lot of success in the past year in moving the Planning Department closer to our own goals for

Workshop

Eastern Neighborhoods Public Benefits Trust Fund (ENPBTf)



February 16, 2008 - 9:30 am - noon
Potrero Hill Neighborhood House (NABE)
953 De Haro Street at Southern Heights

for Potrero Hill, Showplace Square
and Central Waterfront
residents and businesses

If you or your organization is looking for funding for projects in the area, come and learn about the Eastern Neighborhoods Public Benefit Trust Fund grant opportunities. Grants will be made to 501(c)3 non-profit organizations or groups that have a fiduciary agreement with a 501(c)3.

Primary areas for grants are:
Open Space • Arts • Cultural Resources • Education
Social Services • Transportation

Grants are made for projects that have a long-term benefit to the community. One time programs may not qualify.

Hosted by Potrero Hill's own Former Mayor Art Agnos
and the San Francisco Foundation

the neighborhood. But we're not done yet, not at all.

Which brings us to the latest round of aggravations.

- Development forces are **still** pushing for more offices and biotech space in Showplace Square, despite years of unanimous and consistent opposition. (Dan Murphy of the Daggett Triangle project will tell us more about this late-breaking pressure at Tuesday's Boosters meeting.)
- The Planning Department has finally come forward with a better analysis of what neighborhood improvements are needed on and around the Hill, but **plans on how to meet those needs are still very sketchy;**
- Despite many unsettled questions around neighborhood improvements and some mysterious late changes in zoning, the Planning Department is still rushing their plans forward through City bureaucracies. ("Rush" is a relative term; final approvals won't be until the fall.)

As a response to this latest round of planning aggravations, and in the hopes of finally finishing a successful neighborhood planning process, **Plan Potrero Hill will have two meetings, February 9 and 23 from 9.30 am to noon at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House.** Following those meetings, a booklet documenting our discussions and proposing a consensus of community land use recommendations will be circulated through a wide variety of neighborhood groups and residents, and published in March. This booklet will be the clearest public statement ever made of what the communities of Potrero Hill want to see in their future neighborhoods; the Showplace and Central Waterfront re-zoning plans should be measured against that standard as they move through City Hall.

CITY PLANNING

BLDG PERMIT APPLICATION # 2007.09072107:

595 RHODE ISLAND/Mariposa Sts. Propose to add a residential elevator within an existing deck in the rear yard in an RH-2, 40-X .zone. Project requeries a Rear Yard Variance. Contact: Diego Sanchz, Planner; ph: 575-9082.

BLDG PERMIT APPLICATION #2007.10246350:

694 TENNESSEE/18th Sts: Propose to reconstruct and legalize an existing rear deck and stairs (built without a permit) on an RH-2, 50-X zoned lot. Project will require a variance scheduled for 12/12/07. Contact: Ben Fu, Planner, ph: 558-6613.

BLDG PERMIT APPLICATION #2007.10034501:

1725 20th/Carolina Sts: Propose to widen existing penthouse/den to within 3 feet of the east property line, widen existing penthouse deck 3 ft on east side, 5 ft on west, add a deck north of the den in a RH-2, 40-X zone. Contact: Bittany Bendix, Planner; ph: 575-9089.

BLDG PERMIT APPLICATION #2007.04038747:

373 PENNSYLVANIA AVE/19th St. Propose to construct a 500 sq/ft. 3rd floor addition that increases the height of an existing single family home 10.5 ft. to a height of 29.5 Ft. Contact: Michelle Glueckert, Planner: ph: 5589-6543.

BLDG PERMIT APPLICATION #2007.09213376:

1912 20th/De Haro Sts. Propose to construct a new duplex an a vacant lot zoned RH2@, 40-X. Project will contain 2 units, 2 parking spaces, will be 32'-3" high and have 15 ft. front setback and a 25 ft. rear yard. Contact: Corey Teague, Planner; ph: 575-9081.

DISCRETIONARY REVIEW Case #2006.0689D:

585 TEXAS/20th Sts. Propose to demolish an existing 1-story single family house and construct a 2-story, 2 unit bldg with 2 parking spaces on an RH-2, 40-X lot. The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Th: 24 January 08 after 1:30pm. Contact: Erica Jackson, Planner; ph: 558-63363.

MEMBERSHIP

Renew Your Potrero Boosters Membership! Now is the time to pay your dues and renew your membership through **2008**, if you haven't done so already! Just fill out the form below and send it in . . .

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

City Hall

Web site:

1 Goodlett Place Rm 200 SF Ca 94102
www.sfgov.org

Mayor Gavin Newsom

ph: 554-6141 fax 554-6160
gavin.newsom@sfgov.org

Supervisor Sophie Maxwell / District 10 (which includes Potrero Hill):

ph: 554-7670 fax 554-7674
Sophie.Maxwell@sfgov.org

Bayview Police Station

SFPD Web site:
Capt. John Loftus

201 Williams St, SF 94124
www.sfgov.org/police/
ph: 671-2300 fax 671-2345
SFPDBayviewStation@ci.sf.ca.us
822-8147

Anonymous Tips

254-7185 (Officer Maurice Edwards)

Abandoned autos

254-7120 (Officer Sue Lavin)

Encampments

509-1408 (Ofc. Kevin Sanders, Alex Rodatos)

Potrero Terrace/Annex

987-6369 (Ofc. Tim Fowlie, George Ferraez)

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The Potrero Boosters Neighborhood Association is devoted to issues of importance to the communities of Potrero Hill. Our goals are to act as a forum for concerned Potrero residents and to participate in policy and development decisions that affect the quality of life here on the Hill.

Meetings are the last Tuesday of the month (7:00 p.m. at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House) and are open to everyone, members and non-members.

Dues: Individual \$25, Household (couple) \$30, Senior \$20. (Make checks out to: "Potrero Boosters.")

Mail check to Potrero Boosters, 1459 18th St., #133, San Francisco, CA 94107, or sign up online (coming soon).

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Interests/Concerns _____

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