

**Alamo Square Neighborhood Association Board Agenda
May 23, 2005, 6:30pm
Location: Ida B. Wells School at 1099 Hayes Street**

Number of Board Members Attending - 9

Emmett Gilman	Dean Preston
Carol Polk	Jo Leggett
Eric Smith	Celia Dubose
John Dallas	Michael Smithwick
Lisa Bastick	

1. Emmett Gilman welcomed the May Board meeting and requested the board review the MINUTES from the April meeting. Dean Preston requested three changes;

- List attendee names
- Add a copy of the letter writing policy to #7 (ASNA letter writing policy)
- Strike the last sentence under #8 (proposed letter to be sent to Parks & Rec)

The April board meeting MINUTES will be amended and submitted to the board for approval.

2. April and May Treasurer's report – Carol Polk will meet with Bob Spjut on Wednesday regarding the CD's in place. The board agreed to review the April, May and June Treasurers report in June.

3. The ASNA Park Committee sent letters on May 5 to Parks and Rec. There has been no reply to date and the park committee plans to follow up with Park and Rec by the end of the week. The park committee is also seeking a once a month clean up in conjunction with the D5 Dog clean up.

4. Authorization of funds for refreshments for future ASNA park workdays. Carol Polk motioned the board automatically allows, without prior board approval, \$50 to be used for park refreshments. Receipts will be submitted to the Treasurer. Amounts in excess of \$50 will continue to go through the board approval process. Eric Smith seconded the motion and the motion passed.

5. Jo Leggett motioned the board pay the Alamo Square Park gardener \$472.46 for the purchase of roses for the rose garden. Carol Polk seconded the motion and the motion passed. The board also agreed the gardener will need to adhere to the ASNA board directions and authorizations before planting in the future.

6. Jo Leggett motioned we give the Alamo Square Inn free ad space as long as the ASNA board continues to hold meetings at the Alamo Square Inn. The motion was seconded by Carol Polk and the motion passed.

7. Jo Leggett motioned a policy amendment that all newsletter articles, bulletin articles and letters are signed. Carol Polk seconded and the motion passed with 1 apposed.

8. Alamo Square Park – the Mayor's office issued a statement for a one time amount of money given to the parks for improvement. Lisa Bastick proposed ASNA push to obtain the Alamo Square Park share of the money for capital improvements to the park. The board agreed to obtain ideas from the general membership.

9. Michael Smithwick noted the DPT contacted him regarding the ASNA board response to DPT's proposal to use the \$25k the association was able to negotiate from the Falletti Plaza developer to install pedestrian countdown lights at the intersection of Hayes and Divisadero. Michael informed DPT of the board decision that using the funds at that location was too far from the project site, and the board would like to see a feasibility study conducted to determine cost to install a pedestrian bulbout (sidewalk extensions) at the intersection of Broderick/Fell, as originally planned. Michael shared that he has not heard anything back from DPT after conveying that message, and that he is concerned DPT may not take the request seriously unless nudged by Supervisor Mirkarmi's office.

Secondly, Michael shared he has heard nothing back from DPT regarding the assessment that D5 Supervisor Mirkarimi's office had requested of DPT regarding the rescind of the morning tow-away on Oak Street. When Michael followed up with DPT on this issue, his contacts there knew nothing about this assessment, and informed Michael there would be no changes made to the Oak Street traffic configuration until after the opening of Octavia Boulevard. This is in spite of the fact that Oak Street carries greater traffic volume than Octavia will be able to carry, and subsequently such freeway-bound Oak Street traffic will back up at Octavia Boulevard.

Eric Smith motioned the board send a letter to D5 Supervisor, Ross Mirkarimi, requesting a response to the status of the \$25,000 earmarked for pedestrian improvements at Broderick/Fell, and to the investigation concerning the rescind of the morning tow away on Oak Street. Dean Preston seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Lisa Bastick