2018 Annual Membership Meeting Minutes

GOLDEN GATEWAY TENANTS ASSOCIATION 2018 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The annual meeting of the GGTA was held at the Gateway Theatre, 215 Jackson Street, and 10:00 am on Saturday, February 10, 2018.

Bob Demchick called the meeting to order and welcomed all those attending.

Bill Hannan, on behalf of Kim Breeden and Cristina Riboni, reported on the social events hosted by the GGTA during the year. These took place at Fuzio's (Embarcadero One) and in various tenant's apartments. He noted the good turnout at the various events as we work to engage more of the tenants in our community.

Michele McLaughlin reported on the nomination of officers and board members for the year. They are:

Tatjana Eggert-Reich
Tom Gilligan 2nd
Bill Hannan
Bob Demchick
Michele McLaughlin
Benay van Husen
Cristina Riboni
Kim Breeden

	Martin Hardee
	Ron Fisher
Ex-officio board member	Desa Balvea

A quorum was present at the meeting. All GGTA members present at the meeting voted to elect those nominated.

Bill Hannan reported on the history of the "8 Washington Street" property and the Prop B vote a few years ago that imposed height limits on such proposals. The state lands commission has sued to overturn Prop B. A decision on this matter should be forthcoming soon. Bill also noted other tenant issues such as non-functioning elevators, problems with the equipment in the laundry rooms and general security matters.

Neighborhood issues, also addressed by Bill were the eventual affordable housing project planned for the lot at 88 Broadway, which, if finally given the green light, is scheduled to be built in late 2018 or early 2019; the hotel/restaurant/dinner theatre Teatro ZinZanni to be built on Broadway in the parking lot between Davis Street and the Embarcadero; and the proposed temporary navigation center sites of 88 Broadway or Pier 29, both of which are not anticipated to materialize.

Captain Paul Yep, SFPD, Commander of Central Station, discussed overall safety issues such as general street safety and the high rate of auto break-ins. The latter are done primarily by organized groups. The SFPD has initiated plain clothes patrols to try and thwart the perpetrators. SFPD is also working with the Public Works Department to mitigate the homeless encampments which spring up as camps move from one neighborhood to another. Primary to us is Ferry Park and Sue Bierman Park. Finally, he addressed the ongoing issues faced by our local Safeway store. While their security staffing is a decision made at the corporate level, we need to be pro-active in calling attention to issues we encounter. SFPD will also communicate with Safeway.

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Our last speaker was Hon. Aaron Peskin, our District 3 Supervisor. He commented on the board's election of Mark Farrell, citing the need for separation of powers between the mayor and the president of the Board of Supervisors.

On the State Lands Commission lawsuit, he advised that a settlement discussion is in progress and will hopefully be reached soon. There are zoning issues in the Jackson Square area as to the diversity of businesses located or wishing to locate there. One San Francisco real estate operation is trying to work around the rent control rules by pushing for the ability of landlords to pass-thru debt service costs when setting rents. He also noted, as did Captain Yep, that the homeless count in our neighborhood is increasing because of migration from other camps that have been shut down; this also plays into the search for a temporary navigation center in District 3. Finally, he reminded us that there will be a number of issues on the upcoming ballot which relate to ethics in government and we should study them carefully.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am

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