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Monday, October 9, 2017

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PUBLIC MEETING

CPMC Davies Campus, Gazebo Room
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MEETING AGENDA:

- Meet your neighbors (7:00 - 7:30)
- Supervisor Jeff Sheehy will update us on District 8 and Duboce Triangle issues.
- Maitri Interim Executive Director Bill Musick will talk about the building perimeter and leasing efforts.
- Barry's Boot Camp will present their plans for a fitness center in the old CVS space on Market.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Saturday, October 7, 10 am - 1 pm
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Saturday, October 14, 10 am - noon
Friends of Duboce Park Volunteer Day. Contact Rose at rose@friendsofdubocepark.org or 415-255-8370.

Monday, September 16, 5 - 6 pm
Park Station Monthly Community Meeting,
Park Station Community Room

Saturday, November 11, 10 am - noon
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Scott Wiener Gets Busy in Sacramento



State Senator and former District 8 Supervisor Scott Wiener

Our former District 8 Supervisor, now our state Senator, Scott Wiener has been on the job in Sacramento for less than a year, but he has already shown that he will be just as energetic and productive a legislator at the state level as he was on the San Francisco City Board of Supervisors.

Senator Wiener attended DTNA's General meeting August 14 to talk about some of the things he's accomplished so far, and engaged in a lively discussion with audience members about some of his priorities.

Since Wiener was elected on the same

day as Donald Trump, part of his job has been to respond to what he called "the craziness in Washington" with calm, measured, common sense on climate change, protecting immigrant communities, and transportation infrastructure.

Senator Wiener's current focus is on housing. A bill that he authored, Senate Bill 45, passed the Senate in June, but it still needs to pass the Assembly and be signed by the governor. The bill will require the cities that have fallen behind their state housing production goals to streamline approval of new housing, both affordable and market-rate. In regards to San Francisco, Wiener said, that would mean no change in the rules for market rate housing, since our City has met its goals there, but would make approvals for affordable housing development easier and quicker, because that is the area where we have fallen behind. Suburban areas that have constrained their housing supply through onerous zoning rules would be forced to build more of both housing types.

Senator Wiener also wants California to devote more resources to transportation infrastructure. He is pleased that San Francisco just passed a 5.2 billion dollar bond measure. He asked us to pressure our local officials to plan a second BART transbay tube and to turn Caltrain into high speed rail, so that plans will be shovel-ready when the funding comes in.

The Question and Answer session be-

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2017 In Review and a Look Forward



Jeff Sheehy
San Francisco District 8 Supervisor

By Supervisor Jeff Sheehy

Where did the summer go? I found myself asking that question as I took my daughter Michelle to school on her first day back. It amazes me how fast this year has gone by. As we head into fall and the final months of 2017, I want to provide an update on the items I'm working on as well as a glimpse into the future. While much has been accomplished in the past 8 months, there is still much to do on many different fronts. The best way I can serve you is by hearing directly from

you - so thank you to all those who have contacted my office through email or phone. I look forward to continue working with you to ensure that District 8 is the best it can be.

Homelessness

Whether it be at community meetings or walking the district, this

issue, far and above, is what I hear about most from neighbors. I wholly sympathize and agree that the current situation is neither tenable nor acceptable for San Francisco, its residents, and the population struggling on the streets. I am in constant communication with City departments - SFPD, Department of Homeless and Supportive Housing, Department of Public Works - to address immediate neighborhood hot spots, but viable, long term solutions are needed. But there is no magic bullet. Only with a

combined effort of all City stakeholders - through outreach, housing, and enforcement - can we truly make an impact on the situation. I will continue advocating for more resources for District 8, as I recently did by securing an additional \$1.5 million for expanded outreach services and housing, to tip the scale. And I will continue to work with neighbors to propose legislation, like banning dangerous, illegal sidewalk chop shops, to ensure our community is a safe place for families.

Welcome to the Neighborhood

Thriving businesses are crucial to the vitality of our commercial corridors and contribute to the overall health of the neighborhood. Instead of potentially having two empty storefronts, I am pleased to welcome two new

businesses to the neighborhood. The first is Kantine, at 1906 Market Street, which won approval, with support from my office, by the planning department to move forward with a Scandinavian bakery and restaurant. Although not open yet, I look forward to the offerings from the former Nope chef. The second is the just recently opened Fig & Thistle Market, at 691 14th St., which is an organic wine, sake, and cider shop. This is the second location from the Fig & Thistle team who currently run a successful wine bar in Hayes Valley.

Flavored Tobacco Ban

Earlier this year, San Francisco passed legislation, which I co-sponsored, to ban flavored tobacco which is used to recruit and entice minors into a lifetime of addiction. This summer, big

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Back to School – Let’s Talk About Race



Erik Honda
DTNA Vice-President

When San Francisco students came back to school in the last weeks of August, many of them were engaged in painful but necessary conversations about race given the recent events in Charlottesville Virginia, where neo-Nazis and white supremacists marched with Klan-like torches, and where a counter-protestor was killed and many others injured by

a Hitler-loving domestic terrorist.

The following week, many of those same students, along with many neighbors from the Duboce Triangle, were out on the streets of San Francisco saying an emphatic “No!” to the same sorts of nastiness in our own city. That weekend, we lived out Dr. King’s dictum “Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.” It was a proud moment for our city.

But how proud should we be? Those same students who were having impassioned conversations were often having them in segregated classrooms. Since the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) was released from court-mandated desegregation 15 years ago, the schools have resegregated. Most City schools are predominately white and Asian or predominately black

and Latino. In addition, San Francisco’s white students have one of the highest private school attendance rates in the nation (which is socio-economic segregation on top of the racial segregation). Last year the SFUSD School Board engaged in a discussion that acknowledged the negative effects of segregation on students of all races, but then kicked the can down the road and have done pretty much nothing to address it.

And neighborhoods are not much better. The Triangle, for example, is 68% white, which might qualify as diverse in some areas of the country, but not in majority-minority California. Predatory lending and red-lining prior to the 2008 financial crisis devastated African American neighborhoods, including the one next door to us, the Western Addition, and most of us observed mildly and accepted without protest the resulting plunge in the black population of San Francisco.

We Californians are prone to looking with disdain on other areas of the country, assuming that racial divides and their result, racial misunderstanding, are the other guy’s problem. But let us ask

ourselves, what have we, personally, done to bridge the divides? If you are a parent, are you sending your child to a public school whose racial make-up broadly reflects that of the city as a whole? Are you holding your public officials accountable when they make segregationist policy, or do you give them a pass?

And regarding our overwhelmingly white neighborhood – are you bursting that bubble? An African-American man I heard on NPR the other day wanted each American family to ask themselves the question: when is the last time you had a family of a different race over for dinner? If the answer is a long time or never, maybe it’s time to fix that.

It’s great that we can generate big and diverse crowds to shout down the Nazis, but if we really want to hold ourselves up as a model and push forward to a better future than Trump’s divided America, we should look in the mirror first.

Erik Honda has lived on Henry Street since 1992. Since he’s decided his combined white and Asian family doesn’t count, he’s working on some dinner invitations...

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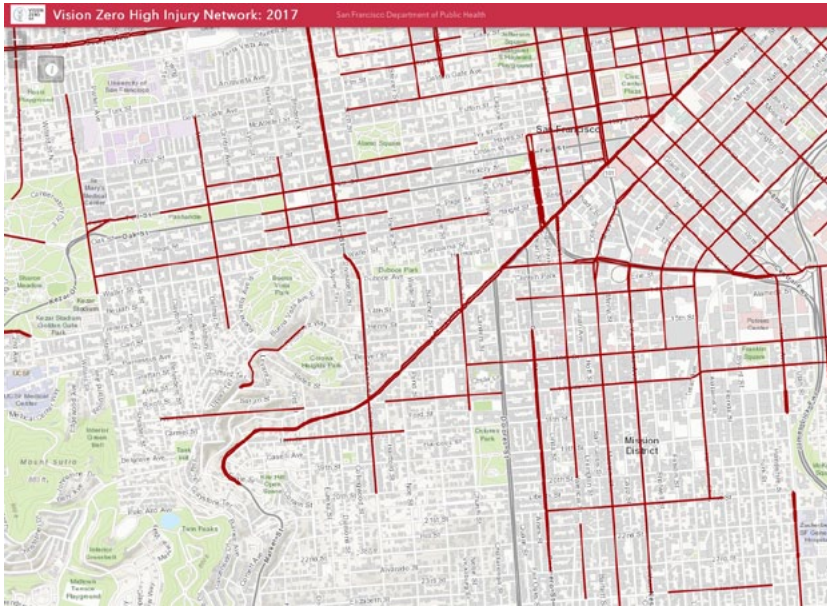
Pedestrian Safety Still a Big Issue in the Triangle

For years, the Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association has been engaging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) around our concerns about pedestrian safety on Market Street, the hypotenuse of the Triangle. Market Street is the scene of regular collisions between cars, pedestrians, and bicycles, often with severe injury or even death as the result. Recent developments suggest we should be worried about more than just Market Street.

Some improvements have been implemented along Market Street. Over the last two years, the SFMTA has produced painted safety zones edged with temporary plastic bollards at the intersections of Market Street and Church Street, Sanchez Street, Noe Street, and Castro Street. These safety zones reduce the space for cars, slowing traffic speeds through the intersections, and shorten the crossing time for pedestrians, meaning walkers are less exposed to danger. The safety zones will become permanent “bulb outs” if SFMTA determines they are having the desired safety effect.

Unfortunately the improvements so far have not addressed Market Street itself. DTNA has suggested raised or lit crosswalks to alert drivers who turn into the (very large) intersections and then (to judge by their dangerous behavior) become confused about where pedestrians have the right of way. SFMTA has resisted, in fear of reducing traffic flow along this major corridor. DTNA has also suggested improved lane guidance for drivers in the (very confusing) intersections. SFMTA says they are studying this concern, but no progress is evident.

In the meantime, Walk San Francisco (WalkSF), the premier pedestrian-rights organization in our City, has identified two more high injury corridors in the Triangle – Castro Street and Church Street. DTNA has for several years been a



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More Police on Foot and Bike

San Francisco police said on August 31 they are shifting tactics in their fight to reduce vehicle burglaries and other property crimes by increasing foot patrols and seeking to prevent more crimes before they happen. Chief Bill Scott said the San Francisco Police Department will increase staffing at all district stations by September 9.

The increased uniformed presence is expected to help prevent vehicle burglaries, which have increased 28 percent through July compared to the same period in 2016. The exact increase in patrol staffing will vary from one district to another, based on the need. Park Station will have their staffing double, which means we will see more police officers walking and biking in the Duboce Triangle. The Mission District will see its staffing nearly quadruple because that area has one of the largest increases in vehicle burglaries, which increased 182 percent over the past year, from 601 to 1,693.

To make the change, the SFPD will be redeploying officers from other areas, including the patrol bureau task force, a citywide unit created

in 2015 that has targeted serial vehicle burglars and thefts. That unit will be shut down and its officers, who have made 228 arrests, will be redeployed to district stations.

Capt. Sanford provided statistics for the Park District at the Park Station monthly community meeting on August 21. There have been 1,157 thefts from vehicles in the first seven months of 2017 compared to 948 for the same time period last year, a 22% increase. The number of thefts actually went down in July compared to June, 184 vs. 194.

It is important to report all crimes, including property crimes, so that the police have an accurate picture of where crime is happening and can allocate appropriate resources. Call 911 if there is an emergency or a crime in progress or (415) 553-0123 to report all other crimes and incidents.

Sanford also informed the Park Station Community Police Advisory Board that he would be retiring by next summer. He took command at the station in April 2015.

Pedestrian Safety, continued

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member of WalkSF’s Vision Zero Coalition, which aims to reduce pedestrian deaths in San Francisco to zero by 2024 (at present we still have about 30 per year). According to WalkSF’s recently updated High-Injury Network map, which identifies street segments in San Francisco that have a high number of fatalities and severe injuries, the sections of Castro Street and Church Street that run through the Triangle have both been added to Market Street as areas of high pedestrian danger. So be careful out there, not just when crossing Market Street, but when crossing Church Street and Castro Street, as

well. Okay, really you should be careful crossing any street (look both ways! Mom always said...) but it is important to be aware of what the data says, too.

Another cause of concern for DTNA is that as part of their recent assessment at Market Street, the SFMTA proposed some changes to traffic flow through the neighborhood which might make the traffic problems worse. One proposed change would provide a left arrow for cars coming down Market to turn North onto Castro Street, thus increasing traffic flow on a street that is already packed with cars (and commuter buses) during commute hours. After neighbors voiced

strenuous objections at several DTNA meetings last year (you can read articles about those meetings in past issues of the DTNA News at dtna.org) the changes were put on hold, but our concerns remain.

To end on a positive note, there have been only four pedestrian deaths in San Francisco this calendar year (2017), a big drop from previous years. At this rate we should come in well below the previous years’ average of thirty, so we are making progress. But still, every day cars hit at least three people walking in San Francisco, and every year over 100 pedestrians are severely injured. So stay safe out there, and let’s keep pushing forward.



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Maitri Plans Improvement to Retail and Streetscape at Church and Duboce

Maitri was founded in 1987, when the Zen teacher Issan Dorsey of the Hartford Street Zen Center took in a homeless student dying of AIDS. Maitri soon grew to become a model eight-bed hospice and doubled its capacity in 1997 when they moved to their current location at 401 Duboce Avenue in the Duboce Triangle neighborhood.

The first floor of the Maitri building includes 4,730 square feet retail space and a 3,974 square clinical/medical space. Out of the Closet leased the retail space since October 2003 but closed in October 2014. The clinical/medical space had most recently been leased to the AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) but moved to the Castro neighborhood after a rent dispute. Those vacancies have caused the first floor of the building to be empty for almost three years and Maitri depends on the rental revenue to fund their operations.

DTNA board members Dennis Roybal, Garrin Wong, and Mark Scheuer met with Interim Executive Director Bill Musick and other Maitri staff and board members on August 10 to discuss much needed safety improvements to the perimeter of the building and to find out

more about their leasing efforts.

Wong documented the problems around both Duboce Avenue and Church Street. The issues include: daily debris and trash; graffiti; deferred maintenance; lighting; vagrancy; the San Francisco Art Commission's chairs, which are attractive nuisances for vagrancy. There are problems that come with that vagrancy, namely trash, broken glass, urine, feces, and needles. These problems contribute to a corner that can be both unsafe and unsanitary.

We encouraged Maitri to do daily checks of the facility's entryways and adjacent sidewalks, install security cameras, replace missing light bulbs, power wash the sidewalks, and educate their staff on what to do when they encounter any sanitation or safety issues. Musick was receptive to our suggestions and we all agreed that we would work together to help improve that corner. DTNA encouraged Musick to contact San Francisco Police Department Park Station's Capt. Sanford and District 8 Supervisor Sheehy to request their help and advice.

Musick said Maitri has showed



Daily debris and trash is just one of the problems that DTNA board members discussed with Maitri executives and staff.

the available retail and clinical/medical spaces to over 200 interested parties. Medical marijuana dispensaries were interested but the City has said such a business located there would jeopardize federal funding to Maitri which they cannot afford to lose.

Musick said that Maitri is close to signing a new lease with a new tenant, a fitness retailer, for the larger space but the smaller clinical/medical space is early in the process. The smaller space has been more challenging due to its configuration and light exposure.

The new potential tenant(s) will have to go through the conditional use process to get approval and will be responsible for main-

taining the sidewalks and area outside of the building. Everyone expects better stewardship on the outside of the building. Musick asked that we encourage people to report sidewalk blockages and other problems by calling 311 or using the 311 app.

DTNA will post notices of any pre-application meetings on our web site so interested neighbors can attend (see dtna.org). Musick said he will let the neighborhood know about any future meetings regarding the space. DTNA and Maitri agreed to schedule a follow-up meeting to check on the progress.

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The Success of Small Retail

In 2014, when the Icon building was constructed at 2299 Market Street (at Noe Street), the developer Angus McCarthy proposed one large retail space for the ground floor. He had a tenant in mind – Bank of the West, and the steady rent expected from the large formula leaseholder was part of his financing plan. DTNA was happy to see the building going up (it replaced a twenty-year-old hole in the ground that had become an eyesore), but we were less excited about another large formula retail use on a prominent corner, and were worried about the long term viability of the space, because historically large retail spaces had remained long vacant (the former Tower Records across the street had been vacant for nearly 20 years, it subsequent-

ly became a CVS, and now is vacant again).

Turns out we were right. Bank of the West has recently indicated it is planning to consolidate branches, and close their location at 2299 Market Street; the space is for sale. Fortunately then-District 8 Supervisor Scott Wiener (now our state senator) agreed with us that a bank was not the best use of that space. He authored legislation that made banks subject to the formula retail requirements (for some reason they were previously not included), which gave us leverage via the Conditional Use process to negotiate with Mr. McCarthy.

The outcome was positive. Mr. Mc-

Carthy agreed to create three small (two spaces are 250 square feet and third is 400 square feet) retail spaces on Noe Street which would be affordable to local businesses, and DTNA agreed to a Bank of the West branch, (with a slightly smaller footprint) on 16th Street. It took a long time (nearly two years) for Mr. McCarthy to build out the small spaces and lease them to local businesses, but it eventually got done, and they have been serving our residents ever since. We have a locally-owned specialty candy store (Giddy), a locally-owned aesthetician's shop (Skin on Market), and a locally-owned coffee shop (Ritual). Even better, and in keeping with our arguments three years ago, the Ritual space was originally occupied by the locally-owned café Wildcraft. When the Wildcraft owners moved on to other pursuits, Ritual was able to step in and occupy the space almost immediately, with hardly a break in service. Will another bank or business move in immediately when Bank of the West moves out? We shall see, but we doubt it.

The lesson? Small retail spaces (even tiny ones, like 500 square feet) are affordable to local businesses and easy to rent. Large ones are problematic. A glimpse at the next corner down Market Street at Sanchez Street confirms this conventional wisdom, too. Hopefully developers will hear the lesson going forward. In the meantime, stop by Noe Street and Market Street, buy some lotion, pick up a bag of gummies, and enjoy a delicious latté. Thank goodness for small and local!

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Pottery Barn Takes Steps To Address Camping Issue – It’s a Team Effort

Our City’s and neighborhood’s homelessness crisis will not be solved by one actor. The solution is a group effort that involves City government (in the form of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing and their Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), as well as police services), nonprofits, such as our local Castro Cares (to which DTNA is an ongoing contributor), local businesses (who are responsible for the sidewalks that abut their buildings, and who contribute to tax assessment districts like the Castro Community Benefits District (CBD) that clean the sidewalks), and citizens (who pay taxes, elect city officials, contribute to non-profits, patronize businesses, and (via the 311 app or police department calls) alert the responsible organizations above to problems they see on the street.

A recent example of the successes and challenges of our current system has played out over the last year on the Northeast corner of Castro Street and Market Street, near an alcove (formerly housing an ATM) carved into the corner of the Pottery Barn building that occupies the site. For several years, the alcove had played host to a rotating cast of characters: some long-term San Francisco residents who had fallen into homelessness, some “travelers” (homeless youth who shuttle between West Coast cities busking, begging, and often committing petty crimes), some drug addicts (discarded needles became a regular sight there), and some hard-core criminals (for a time a bicycle “chop shop” with legions of stolen bicycles was located there). Residents made legions of police calls and 311 reports,



Pottery Barn management installed this gate last spring to prevent a rotating cast of characters from occupying the alcove.

and Pottery Barn management made their best efforts to shoo people away (due to a host of liability issues, most businesses rely on the power of persuasion rather than on physical force to convince people engaged in undesirable behavior on their property to leave). Often people did leave, but, usually soon afterward, they were replaced with another group, often one engaging in even more undesirable behavior.

Finally, last spring, Pottery Barn management threw up their hands and installed an (expensive) gate blocking off the alcove. The Castro CBD steam-cleaned the sidewalk, and for a few weeks the corner looked like your average corner; street trees, MUNI poles, passers-by. Problem solved, right?

Not quite. After a few weeks a group tried out the shady spot on the sidewalk under the magnolia trees just across the sidewalk from the alcove. They soon left, but a few weeks later a larger group settled in, with sleeping bags, blankets, and a shopping cart. Soon, after an-

other group occupied a tree up the street, along with their collection of stolen bikes. The SFPD came along and removed the bike dismantlers, but since then the camp-spot across from the alcove has been more or less permanently occupied.

So what’s the lesson? That nothing helps, and that no amount of effort on the part of all the responsible parties listed above can make a dent in our ongoing crisis? It sometimes feels that way, but no. The lesson again is that no one actor can solve the problem alone. There are still some issues, but nobody lives in the alcove (credit to Pottery Barn). Hopefully some of the folks who lived there previously are now housed, in supportive housing or back with their families (credit the City and Castro Cares). The sidewalk is dirty but not disgusting (credit the CBD). And the 311 calls keep rolling in (credit citizens who do not give up in the face of difficult problems, but keep plugging away).

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gan with an interesting question regarding the difference between San Francisco and Sacramento politics. Wiener said that although San Francisco issues are complex in many ways, the state legislature is still more complicated. Whereas San Francisco is basically “all Democrats” and “all liberals” there is a much wider and more diverse political spectrum in Sacramento, including liberal Democrats who have more conservative constituents. His predecessor Mark Leno advised him not to “write off Republicans”

since they know they are a minority and have to “work with Democrats for support.” Wiener said he has worked hard to understand his Republican colleagues, and understands that some issues are basically non-partisan.

One of those issues might be homelessness, which was brought up (of course) early in the Q and A session. Wiener opined that homelessness is statewide, and that San Francisco is not unique in the recent uptick in the severity of the problem. Large and growing homeless populations exist in Sacramento, Fresno,

San Diego, and Los Angeles as well. Wiener believes that more needs to be done for that population, including health and drug services and permanent housing for homeless persons. San Francisco invests quite a bit, but other counties do not have the resources to do more. Providing funds for affordable housing at the state level may be one solution.

Regarding water, one neighbor asked if there was not some “regulatory capture” at the state level, when one sector (agriculture) that is only 5% of the state economy uses 90% of the water, at highly subsidized rates, and the governor is proposing building tunnels under the delta to send more water south to grow almonds for export in the desert. Wiener does not support the tunnels, but he pointed out that historic water rights give San Francisco a sweet deal as well via Hetch Hetchy. He believes that nobody pays enough for water, and that we should move forward more aggressively with recycling.

Property crime, especially car break-ins, have plagued San Francisco recently at an epidemic level, and Wiener was asked if he blamed State Propositions 47 and 57, which reduced or changed certain penalties, since people felt they ended up putting more criminals on the streets. Wiener responded that those measures were designed to reduce chronic and unconstitutional overcrowding, awful conditions, and inadequate

health care in our jails. He is convinced that Governor Brown will not sign any bills that extend a jail sentence “by even one minute.”

Since we are a lefty city, Wiener was asked about single-payer health care. He believes that the costs would be enormous and the effects would be negative (giving up employer health care they like) for many Californians. He is more supportive of expanding Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) and Covered California to include everyone.

Lastly, Wiener was asked why it has taken twenty years and counting to begin to build Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on Van Ness and Geary. Was it California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)? Freed from the need not to call out the local authorities, Wiener honestly said that no, it was not a CEQA or state government problem and there is nothing that should make it take so long. This is “only a San Francisco issue” and we should hold our local Planning Department, Supervisors, and mayor accountable for the delays. It is good to have feedback but at some point the process has to end and the project needs to move forward.

With that, Wiener said it was good to be back in the City engaged in energetic conversations, and thanked us for attending and providing input. He urged constituents to contact him via his Sacramento office with more ideas. So do!

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Dog and People Areas in Duboce Park

Duboce Park has always been and still is a popular site for dog owners to recreate with their dogs and the park is usually included on lists of San Francisco's best dog parks. The San Francisco Recreation and Park District (SFRPD) Commission approved a measure in January 2006 for an off-leash dog area in Duboce Park. This measure followed months of sometimes contentious community and task force meetings that began in March 2005 after a coalition of parents and educators proposed fencing off part of the park so children would have an area to play that would be free of dogs and dog waste. At the time, Duboce Park was a de facto dog park.

The measure created three usage areas: no dogs, dogs on-leash, and dogs off-leash. A prominent headline on the front page of the December 23, 2005 Examiner read, "Dog-leash deal ends park fight" with a smaller headline underneath that said that "Parents, canine owners agree to split Duboce."

The story of dogs in Duboce Park dates back to 1902 when the park had just been founded. Dog owners came together to defy the City's leash laws, and for the first time in dog history, a group of canines ran wild and free in Lower Haight. The City's Parks and Recreation Department heard their roars, loud and clear, and gave in to the request.

The plan to install a Dog Play Area (DPA) in Duboce Park included a new pathway along the new Western border and a bollard-and-cable system along the Western and Northern boundaries. The sidewalk was considered a psychological barrier along Steiner Street and Duboce Avenue since community dog owners reported that it was very rare for a dog to run into either of those streets. The whole area, commonly referred to as "The Field," was labelled a Dog Play/Multi-Use Area since anyone could use it.

But different rules apply to dogs in other parts of the park. Dogs must be on-leash when they are on the hill ("The Knoll"), a "transition area" just to the West of the DPA; dogs are not allowed at any time in the People Only Area ("Half Moon"), the lawn between the knoll and the recreation center. Signage and stencils were placed around the park to remind people of the rules. Everything is pretty much the same today, except that many of the bollards along the Northern pathway are missing.

SFRPD created a Dog Play Area (DPA) Policy that established the criteria and rules for DPAs in 2002. The Duboce Park DPA is different than most other DPAs since it has minimal barriers to delineate boundaries and uses a much greater percentage of total park space for a DPA than any other park in San Francisco.

The dog owner community has always been very good about policing themselves, especially when it comes to reminding other owners to pick up their dog's waste and monitoring canine ag-

gressive behavior. A special thanks to those guardians of the DPA whose requests are often sometimes met with an angry response.

Here's who to contact if you want to report a canine-related problem: Emergency 911; Park Rangers (415) 831-2700; SFPD (415) 553-0123; and, Animal Care & Control (415) 554-9400.

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tobacco successfully bankrolled a signature gathering effort to qualify an initiative on next year's ballot to repeal the legislation. Even with this threat, the Board of Supervisors stood strong and upheld our commitment to protecting our kids. Over the next year, San Francisco voters will be under assault by big tobacco to repeal this legislation. I remain committed to standing up and fighting big tobacco and ensuring

that San Francisco sends a clear message that we will not tolerate the peddling of their poisonous and dangerous products to our kids.

Antibiotics in Meat Legislation

The increased reliance on antibiotics in meat products, and the lack of consumer transparency in their usage, led me to sponsor legislation that would require large grocers to disclose antibiotics usage in their meat prod-

ucts. The rampant overuse of antibiotics, which is used to promote animal growth, has been claimed to increase the risk of antibiotic resistant bacteria - superbugs - which sicken millions of people a year and kill tens of thousands. My legislation would make pertinent information, such as number of days the animal was on the antibiotics, be submitted, verified, and posted on the Department of Environment's website, allowing consumers to make an informed choice

when purchasing meat for their family.

Stay In Touch

My office and I are here to serve you with ongoing projects as well as new ideas or concerns. Please feel free to email me directly at jeff.sheehy@sfgov.org or contact my office at 415-554-6968. I look forward to seeing you in the neighborhood.

Historic San Francisco Photograph



Image taken in 1906 from Scott Street, looking East into Duboce Park. The Park was used for as a recovery relief camp after the 1906 earthquake and subsequent City fires.

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The Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association newsletter is dedicated to informing, educating and engaging the Duboce Triangle community and the surrounding neighborhoods. The newsletter reaches over 3,000 homes and businesses six times per year.

We are 100% organized and run by volunteers and are in need for a critical role, the newsletter distribution manager. This role requires:

- One hour, every other month (February, April, June, August, October, December), to distribute the newsletters to the six zone distribution leaders.
- Recruit new newsletter distributors as vacancies occur.
- The ability to lift an approximately 25 pound box of paper.

If you are interested, please reach out to dtanewsletter@gmail.com.

Join your neighborhood association now!

- Show your pride in our Triangle
- Support historic preservation on your street
- Support our wonderful Duboce Park
- Encourage your neighbors to volunteer
- Supports the costs of your newsletter
- Maintain our neighborhood character and quality of life

Join online using your credit/debit card! Visit www.dtna.org/join.html and become a member today.



☒ **Yes! I want to join DTNA.**

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Please contact me. I'm interested in:

☐ Land use/development

☐ Newsletter

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☐ Social events

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