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MEETING AGENDA

- Join us for a conversation with the local businesses that help make our neighborhood what it is. We'll discuss their experiences of this last year, and learn about their vision for our post-pandemic future.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, June 7 and July 5, 7 pm.
DTNA Land Use Committee Meeting
If you'd like to attend, email landuse@dtna.org to receive Zoom invitation.

Thursday, June 24 and July 22, 7-8 pm.
Park Station Community Meeting
via Zoom. RSVP to community@sfsafe.org.
Information on how to join the virtual call will be sent.

Save the date! The next DTNA General Meeting will be held on August 9 at 7 pm. Find the Google Meet link on dtna.org.

From Slow Street to Slow Triangle?



Could we get back to a time where children can play safely in the street?

Kevin Riley, Chair, DTNA Land Use Committee

If you have been to a DTNA Land Use meeting recently, then you have heard talk of a “Slow Triangle,” a concept dreamt up by some of our members who have been inspired by the changes our neighborhood has experienced over the past year. Seeing the way our streets, businesses, and the patterns of our daily lives have adapted to these uncertain times has gotten people thinking about what could be achieved with proactive thinking, rather than just reactive trials.

So what do people mean when they say “Slow Triangle”? It could mean different things for different people. For me, it involves taking the concepts of Slow Streets and Shared Streets and applying them at a neighborhood scale rather than a single street. For Duboce Triangle, the perimeter streets of Market, Castro, and Duboce/Church would continue to act as the primary automobile thoroughfares. The blocks inside the triangle would become a network of Slow Streets - meaning they would have a very low-speed limit and would be shared by all trav-

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Supervisor's Message



San Francisco District 8 Supervisor Rafael Mandelman

Dear Duboce Triangle Neighbors,

San Franciscans can be grateful for more good news on the COVID-front: as of this writing more than 75% of residents over 16 have received at least one vaccine dose and our COVID cases remain among the lowest in the State, our public school students are getting back into the classroom, and our local economy and small businesses are coming back to life.

A Place For All

Last year I introduced legislation to make it City policy to offer all unsheltered people a safe place to sleep and direct the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to prepare a plan to open enough safe sleeping sites and other tempo-

rary shelter to meet that policy mandate. That legislation, titled "A Place for All," was heard at the Budget and Finance Committee in April.

While I am disappointed that the Committee did not move my legislation forward, I am grateful to the hundreds of San Francisco residents, small business owners, and neighborhood leaders who wrote and called in from across the City to support our comprehensive plan to ensure every unhoused person has an exit from the sidewalk. And special thanks to the Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association for endorsing this important proposal!

The Budget Committee's lukewarm response to "A Place for All" was disappointing, but I am not giving up. I believe the legislation aligns with the values and sensibilities of a majority of San Franciscans who want an end to street homelessness but also believe that no person should have to sleep on the street. I will continue to fight for safe, compassionate, and sensible policies to end the crisis on our streets.

Shared Spaces

In March, I joined Mayor Breed in announcing legislation

to create a permanent version of the Shared Spaces program that has been a lifeline for small businesses during the pandemic and brought a desperately needed sense of community to our neighborhoods in a challenging time. The program has been generally popular among local merchants in Duboce Triangle and citywide, but I have heard the concerns some have raised about potential impacts on disability access, parking, and loading for merchants, as well as the private use of public space. I take these concerns seriously and will continue working with the Mayor's office and my colleagues to ensure that our permanent Shared Spaces program accounts for the various and sometimes competing needs of neighborhood stakeholders.

Water Reuse

Prolonged drought is our new normal in California. 41 of California's 58 counties are currently under a drought state of emergency – and it's not even

summer yet. Even as we accelerate our path toward a zero-carbon future, we must prepare now for the reality of extreme water scarcity that we know is being driven by climate change. That is why on May 11th I introduced legislation to expand existing requirements for on-site water reuse in new large buildings to double the amount of water saved in residential buildings and require commercial buildings to install technology that can reuse as much as 75% of their total water demand. This ordinance will also direct the SFPUC to prepare a plan for further expanding the City's supply of recycled water.

Stay Connected

After being closed to the public for almost 15 months, City Hall, and my office, will reopen on Monday, June 7th! We are also still accessible by email and voicemail every day. Please don't hesitate to reach out via email, at mandelmanstaff@sfgov.org.



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President's Message



Kimyn Braithwaite
DTNA President

Are you as excited about life getting back to what is going to be our new normal as I am? I don't know what that normal will look like but it's exciting to feel the optimism in the air. At the time of this writing, 484,292 San Franciscans have been fully vaccinated, and 69% of residents in the section of the City that includes Duboce Triangle have received at least one dose of the vaccine. Our case counts haven't been this low since the very early days of the pandemic, kids are back in school, and our favorite neighborhood shops are fully opening again. The eagerness to get back to a regular life, even returning to offices, is palpable, and it feels like a really joyful time. I can't even count the number of hugs I plan to give out.

As we look forward to all the things about our neighborhood that we've missed, we are also reflecting on the good things to come out of this past year. Our local parks, greenery, and bulb-outs gave us a healthy outlet from the confines of our homes, and allowed us to reconnect with one another safely outdoors. Slow Streets and Shared Spaces have made our neighborhood feel more welcoming and full of life. We even welcomed three new neighbors to the Board of DTNA during this turbulent year.

Having our DTNA meetings online has made them more convenient, accessible,

and well-attended. We have been having some really inspiring discussions at recent meetings. Efforts to further beautify our streets are underway. We continue to work with City agencies on traffic calming measures, specifically along 14th Street, which has experienced pedestrian fatalities. We are upgrading the website for DTNA, giving the feeling of an internal spring cleaning and polish. And we have been working with our friends at Maitri in hopes of getting some beautiful artwork on their building for everyone in the community to enjoy.

In addition, we are excited to host what we hope to be an inspiring general meeting on June 14th. We have invited many local merchants to discuss how they were able to get through the COVID-19 pandemic and what they are most excited about for our post-COVID future.

If you are feeling as optimistic about the

future of our neighborhood as we are, then please join us. Help us plant trees. See more of the neighborhood by distributing newsletters. Get to know your neighbors by coming to either our monthly Land Use or bi-monthly General Meeting. All the information about both upcoming meetings can be found in this newsletter and on our website.

It may be surprising but DTNA meetings are fun and laughter is common. At every meeting we get to talk to interesting people who turn to our neighborhood association for guidance and support on how to put their ideas for the neighborhood, and the City at large, into action. I believe this spirit of progress, grounded in the history of our Triangle community, is what motivates us all to continue to work toward creating an even greater future for our neighborhood.



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A Church for the Ages

By Rose Linke, News editor

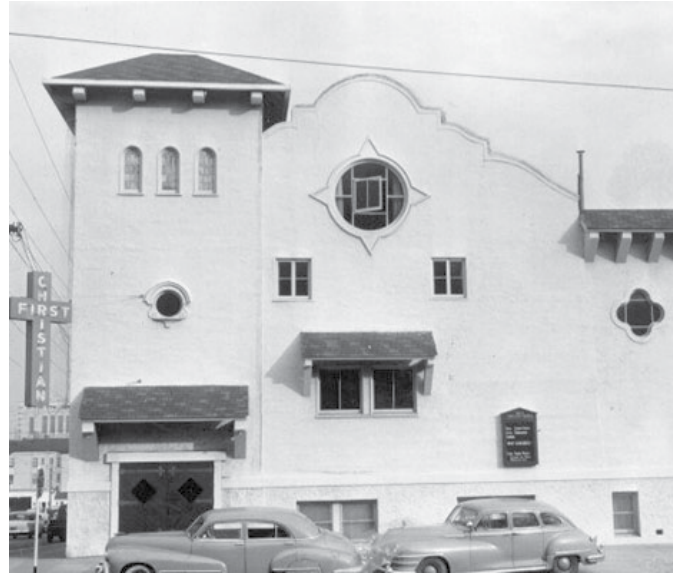
When suffragist Marie C. Brehm, the first woman to run for vice-president after the 19th amendment gave women the right to vote, came through San Francisco in 1910 to deliver a series of lectures on temperance, it was at the corner of Duboce Avenue and Noe Street where she inaugurated her campaign against liquor.

And it was at this same corner in 1981 where members of CUAV (Community United Against Violence) staged a

protest on a Sunday morning with banners proclaiming Thank God I'm Gay.

The First Christian Church has stood on that corner for well over 100 years now, serving this community by bringing people together in a wide variety of ways over its many decades.

Though I've lived in the neighborhood for nearly a decade myself, often walking by the church on my way to the N-Judah, the Lower Haight, or up to Alamo Square, it was only when



The First Christian Church has stood on the corner of Duboce Avenue and Noe Street for well over 100 years.

researching the history of the building for this article that I finally took a good look at the exterior.

Its quatrefoil windows, asymmetrical facade, smooth stucco, and decorative curved parapet are all in keeping with the Mission Revival style, with stained glass windows visible from the sidewalk along Duboce. The next time you're walking by when the doors are open, take a peek inside. From what I've heard, the stucco exterior belies the beautiful wood interior.

The building is a reminder that even though change is inevitable, as our neighborhood culture evolves and continually transforms our experience of the place, there are fixtures that remain. These fixtures are evidence of the history that predates us.

Though I would never want to go back—I for one enjoy my right to vote!—looking at our neighborhood's history can connect us to one another, by reminding us just how much has happened in this place, and inspiring us to work together to create the future we want to live in.

Maitri Hospice - A Passion for Compassion

This June marks 40 years of AIDS in America. For over 30 years, Maitri (pronounced "my-tree") has been serving our community by providing residential hospice care for those with HIV/AIDS. Sanskrit for "compassionate friendship," Maitri began at the Hartford Street Zen Center in the Castro, when Zen priest Issan Dorsey first took in a homeless student dying of AIDS. The organization outgrew its original location, and eventually moved to Duboce Triangle, at the corner of Duboce and Church, in 1997. This neighborhood institution soon grew to become a model eight-bed hospice, and has remained ever since a place of solace in our community.

Maitri has been uniquely positioned to address the public health crisis of COVID-19. They have built on our City's

history of coordination between local universities, government agencies, community groups, and infectious disease experts, which was born out of our previous experience with a major public health crisis.

The history of Duboce Triangle is inextricably linked to the history of the LGBTQ+ community and its devastation by HIV/AIDS. The legacy of that time is all around us.

Looking through back issues of the Bay Area Reporter, the number of deaths in our community is staggering, and one of the things that recurs again and again in obituaries is the request for donations to be made to Maitri.

After living through a year in which

hundreds of thousands of Americans died alone, it has become more apparent than ever how important end-of-life care is to our humanity. At the height of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the city, there were five such hospice centers. Maitri is the only one that remains.

In addition to providing hospice, they have expanded their services to provide shelter and care for those who have undergone gender affirmation surgery, underscoring the philosophy that no one should have to suffer, die, or transition alone. But many of our neighbors don't even know what Maitri does.

This year, Maitri has commissioned a mural to grace the exterior of their building, and to tell their story. The artist, Serge Gay Jr. was selected based on his history of activism within the HIV/AIDS and LGBTQ+ communities, and his experience executing similar projects. Maitri hopes the project, called Never Alone, will be completed later this year. We are looking forward to a new icon of inclusive art that tells the sometimes tragic but often heroic story of our Triangle community.

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Board Member Spotlight



Frank Tizedes, DTNA Board Member

Friends and Neighbors:

As a neighbor and friend, I'm excited to join the Board of DTNA and work with all of you. I was asked to write an introduction for the newsletter and as I sit here, I'm reminded of the many times I've introduced myself as your neighbor, to say hello, to offer a car-jump or help change a tire. In many cases you were new to the neighborhood, some long time residents, but always warm and friendly. It is with that in mind, I welcome the chance to introduce myself again and turn strangers into neighbors and work with you to build-out our neighborhood program.

Hi, my name is Frank Tizedes (like My Country, "Tiz e deez")

From a large Midwestern family, I quickly learned how important teamwork, flexibility, and shared sacrifice are. From as early as I can remember, I was working with neighbors to create safer, cleaner streets for us kids and planning social events for everyone else. Sure, at times we had issues to address; but even then our engagement was productive, focused, and supported. Responsibility to community became second nature.

Determined to bridge community among friends, family, and neighbors is what motivates me every day. That determination to create a more inclusive environment is what took me halfway around the world to North Africa as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Tunisia. There, I spent three years as a Community Development Director working with local leaders, neighbors, and friends to get things done "together." I quickly learned, community isn't just something you experience in your neighborhood, but something to strive for on a global level.

In 2000, my husband Pete and I moved to Noe & 14th. The large tree canopy and neighborhood gardens attracted us to Duboce Triangle. An avid gardener myself, I found an opportunity to combine two passions – gardening and community

– and joined the Noe Beaver Community Garden.

A few years back we started experiencing a rise in crime, car break-ins, home invasions (our home included, hence our beautiful dog Samantha) and even attacks on our neighbors. Soon after the shooting at Henry and Noe, a group of neighbors got together and created Neighborhood Watch programs on the 100 and 200 blocks of Noe. The past year has brought more challenges and safety concerns. After speaking with neighbors, friends, and City leaders, we've expanded the community safety program to include all of Noe Street from Duboce to Market. Initially,

friend and neighbor John Goldsmith and I will work with residents on Noe Street to get you involved collectively and keep the Noe Corridor a safe, fun place to live.

I look forward to helping you create a neighborhood association that works for all of us. It takes time, sure; dedication, yes; more importantly, it takes all of us to make a difference.

When you see me, please say hi! I'd love to chat and hear what you hear, see what you see, and do what you do. Together we can help continue to build our efforts, reaching all of our neighbors in the Duboce Triangle.



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Myths About Honey

By Debra J. Morris
Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association

A spoonful of wildflower honey on a warm biscuit, a dollop of clover honey in your tea, and a drizzle of blueberry honey in salad dressings are all made possible because of honey bees. There are many myths and misconceptions surrounding this miraculous substance, and the bees that make it.

All honey you buy is pure honey.

Not true. Some honey you buy at the grocery store has been adulterated with high fructose corn syrup or other sweeteners, or has been watered down. In April of 2014, the FDA

ruled that any honey that was adulterated by the addition of sugar or corn syrup could not be labeled as "pure honey" but would have to label it as a "blend."

Filtered honey is not as authentic as raw, unfiltered.

Raw honey comes straight from the honeycomb. The beekeeper filters the honey just enough to remove small bits of pollen and beeswax. Filtered, or pasteurized, honey is clear and smooth. The pasteurization process (adding high heat) increases the shelf-life of honey and kills yeast cells that can affect the taste, but it is still pure honey.

It's okay to give babies honey.
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infants under one year of age because their digestive tract has not developed enough to fight off honey's natural bacteria.

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DTNA Board Considers Return to In-Person Meetings

The Board of Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association meets every other month. At the May 2021 meeting, we discussed the following:

Duboce Triangle News

Rose Linke, News editor, presented results of her Board News Survey: Role of the News: outreach to neighbors, keeping them informed and creating a sense of community. Challenges and questions: shortening the process timeline so articles are timelier, how to better engage with our neighbors, can the News be posted or available at sites that neighbors frequent, should articles have bylines? How can we improve: visual design, more varied topics, more diversity of voices by recruiting new neighbors to write articles, and more

“fun” content such as crossword puzzle, profile local dogs, kids’ art, classified ads.

Kevin Riley reported more email feedback by having his Land Use email link in the April-May News. Email notification of the online color News posting is sent to all 505 contacts in the DTNA mailing program including members, News subscribers, anyone who has expressed an interest.

Treasurer’s Report

At this time the treasurer is not prepared to change DTNA financial software from Quicken to QuickBooks which works with the Wild Apricot payment system while he is reconstructing the last five years of financial

records for the state. For now, DTNA will continue using PayPal for member payments and add a subscription, recurring payment option.

Online/IT Update

Two of the four migration Partners listed by Wild Apricot for California provided proposals: The ARRC, a disabled veterans’ group in Southern California, and Peter Otte, a small group in Santa Barbara, with a fee range of \$1,175.00 to \$4,275.00 if a custom theme is needed. Peter did the deepest dive into how DTNA objectives could be achieved. Justin Wong recommended a staged approach starting with membership data to get the migration started. (On 05/11/2021, Peter Otte was selected and accepted managing the DTNA online migration to Wild Apricot.)

Conduct of Future General Meetings

Virtual meetings have had a higher attendance than prior in-person meetings and have been more convenient, but lack the socialization of in-person meetings. Evolving to a hybrid model with continuing virtual meetings and adding periodic social functions such as the 2018 Christmas meeting at Café Flore or at another small business site or a block party, or something outdoors. Perhaps DTNA could hold an in-person meeting and broadcast it over Zoom to include those such as the elderly at 25 Sanchez or 450 Duboce who cannot get out to a meeting.

Land Use Updates

A letter of support for Noe Slow Streets was sent. Land Use Committee is likely to support Supervisor Mandelman’s mega-house ordinance and four-unit zoning legislation, and the Maitri mural. There has been email feedback for and against 14th Street Traffic calming.

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Slow Triangle, continued

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ers, not just those in a car. Businesses and restaurants could utilize sidewalks and parking spaces to activate the street, as we have seen done so successfully on Noe Street, Church Street, and Market Street. By liberating the public right-of-way from being exclusively for cars, we can create a neighborhood that is accessible to everyone.

This vision may seem fantastical. City-planning, our way of life, and even the American Dream have focused

on the automobile since the mid-1900s! It seems impossible to imagine streets that are not for cars. “Go play in traffic” is a common insult, suggesting that the idea of people occupying streets is uncommon and dangerous. But that has not always been the case. The streets of Duboce Triangle were laid out in the late 1800s - many years before the mass production of cars and their incorporation into our daily lives. Our neighborhood was readapted to become car-centric. Historically, people were not restricted to narrow sidewalks and only

allowed to cross a road at specified areas, at specified times. If our neighborhood (slowly, and over time) became car-centric, it can become something different again. We can advocate for a new style of urbanism, one that is reminiscent of its historical legacy. Could we get back to a time where children can play safely in the street?

I imagine some of you reading this are not immediately excited by this idea. I’ve heard from neighbors who are frustrated with Noe Slow Street. People



Kevin Riley, Chair, DTNA Land Use Committee

A “Slow Triangle” is a vision. It is not a policy, ballot measure, or SFMTA plan. It’s an idea. Something new, something different. If we are going to emerge from the past year having learned something, it should be that anything is possible. The whole world can stop and our lives can be turned upside down. In terms of our cities - we can experiment, try new things, and see what happens. A Slow Triangle is a vision that DTNA is interested in exploring. I hope you will join us in making our neighborhood more enjoyable, egalitarian, and safe.

Let us know what you think. Email landuse@dtna.org. As always, please attend our monthly Land Use meetings - held at 7pm on the first Monday of every month. Email for a Zoom link!

are concerned that roads will be closed to them, that there is a stigma against those who drive a car, and access (to your home, to your business, to your community) will be restricted. That cannot be the case. If our neighborhood is to change, it should do so in a way that is inclusive of all uses; we cannot restrict ourselves to a binary conflict between cars and pedestrians. Instead, we have to find a way forward together, which requires letting some of our guards down and listening to each other, rather than being on constant defense for or against change.

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Embattled District Attorney Fields Tough Questions at DTNA Meeting



San Francisco District Attorney Chesa Boudin defended his record at the April DTNA General Meeting.

goals: 1) Budget is too low for staffing and he has been unable to hire someone for victim services. 2) Courtrooms have been "closed" because of COVID with courts unwilling to convene jury trials or impanel Grand Juries which are needed to pursue certain charges. Bench trials conducted by judges without juries have proceeded, but those requiring a jury are on hold. The DA's office has filed 4,000 new cases needing jury trials, but only six are active and trials that used to last a week may take a month to conclude.

Kimyn then went to the heart of merchant concerns in the neighborhood, a very high level of property crimes (for example \$135,000 on window repair among Castro merchants just in the last couple of months) and very little accountability (very few folks prosecuted). Boudin showed the clearance statistics

from the SFPD website (if a crime has been "cleared" it has been solved - someone has been arrested and a case handed to prosecutors). Only about 3% of property crimes are cleared, meaning 97% of the time the DA doesn't get a case to prosecute. His office has prosecuted 4 of the 6 property crimes brought to him by the SFPD in the last year.

A 15th Street neighbor asked Boudin about restorative justice, if it is true that this is really about holding nobody accountable. Boudin says it is primarily a victims' rights issue. Victims need options for how to hold the responsible person accountable. Boudin's process is to ask the public defender, would the accused be willing to admit responsibility? If so, he asks the victim, do you want prosecution, or an apology and restitution? In juvenile court 90%

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Our April 2021 DTNA General Meeting was a well-attended and feisty affair, where District Attorney Chesa Boudin, only in office for a little over a year but already facing two separate campaigns for a recall election, defended his record under thoughtful but serious questioning from an engaged audience.

We were also introduced to Matt Donahue, our DA's office neighborhood liaison, a position designed to end concerns that the DA's office is a "black box" with little direct contact with citizens. He encouraged neighbors to email him directly at matthew.donahue@sfgov.org with concerns about any ongoing criminal activity in the neighborhood.

Kimyn asked DA Boudin his top three priorities, which he laid out crisply: improving victim services and language access; holding accountable serious and violent crimes; and focusing the most serious consequences on the worst offenses. All of this is part of a larger effort to get at the root causes of crime.

Chesa related two challenges that are getting in the way of accomplishing his

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Cafe Flore Owners Plan to Open Farm-to-Table Cannabis Store on Noe

The Flore Store plans to open in late spring. Construction is clipping along, safely and surely.

The Flore Store is a cannabis lifestyle boutique designed to bring the Humboldt woods to Duboce Triangle. It will showcase Humboldt-sourced sungrown cannabis and San Francisco social equity brands in an environment that transports you to the redwood forests of Northern California.

The building was designed by Ross Levy of Levy Art + Architecture, San Francisco. The building's 120-year-old facade has been restored from the 1960's vinyl siding to the understated Victorian style redwood siding that was hidden underneath. The building has been remodeled using sustainably harvested wood products, including organically grown hemp wood from Kentucky, and meticulously crafted hemp, steel, and glass cabinetry. Visitors will be

greeted by an actual redwood tree, a ten-foot seasonal dried floral center piece, and a redwood forest coloring book mural atop a wall of heart redwood.

The Flore Store worked with local art, business, and community members to select an artist who will best represent the history of Humboldt growers, the role medical cannabis has played in the lives of cancer and AIDs patients, and our community, by in-

stalling a mural on the side of the building above the Noe-Beaver community garden. The Flore Store plans a series of openings to introduce the cannabis lifestyle to the neighborhood and set the stage for what will soon be the most direct farm-to-San Francisco cannabis store in the City.

The Flore Store is located at 258 Noe Street at Market Street and will be open seven days a week from 9 am to 9 pm.

DTNA Board, continued

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Frank Tizedes reported that we are about to see scaffolding placed for installation of the Flore Store Mural. The fence between the Noe-Beaver community garden and Flore Store will be paid for by the Flore Store but owned by Rec & Park. The side of the building west of the mural needs to be cleaned up.

Future Meetings with Supervisor Mandelman Need to arrange a walk through the Triangle with Supervisor Mandelman and one around CPMC including the Davies site administrator Tami Chin.

Upcoming June General Meeting Agenda Building upon a sense of hope and optimism with

the opening of the City and State come June 15th, a focus on the Upper Market Neighborhood Businesses was discussed that would address their recovery, the use and impact of shared spaces, and include invitations to Castro Merchants, the Castro CBD and some businesses to come and talk about how they are adjusting or plan to adjust to the new normal, and how we can work together going forward. Also, June is Gay Pride month.

Suggestions of future topics included greening of the Triangle, slowing traffic, Harvey Milk Plaza Transit site, issues concerning Black Lives Matter & the AAPI community, policing, inviting Senator Scott Wiener, Assemblyman Chiu, Supervisor Mandelman.

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of people choose the latter, the other 10% they prosecute. Recidivism rate studies show recidivism is much lower with restorative justice. He also dismissed a rumor going around (some SFPD officers have said this) that his office won't prosecute without video evidence. Boudin said that's misinformation, although video evidence is helpful, it is not a requirement.

Boudin wrapped up the meet-

ing addressing the spate of anti-Asian hate crimes that have recently plagued San Francisco. Boudin expressed his intention to prosecute these crimes to the fullest extent of the law, but also wanted to recognize that hurt people hurt people. He sees with tremendous frequency that people who get victim services are also often criminal defendants as well, and expressed the view that we need to understand that dynamic. Kimyn thanked Chesa for attending and responding directly to his constituents.



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