

**Ocean Avenue Association
Street Life Committee
April 11, 2013 5:30PM
Java on Ocean**

Minutes

Members Present Maria Fe Picar, Stephen Tillisch, Jawad Swirky, Daniel Weaver, Alexander Mullaney, Henry Kevane, Kate Favetti

Members Apologies None

Guests Ray Favetti, James Farris

1. Executive Director Report Weaver reported that the watering bags from two of the new trees were stolen. The only strategy to prevent theft at the moment is to remove labels so that they look less valuable.

2. Corridor Tree Plan The palms are problematic. Each costs a lot of money to replace and to remove. Weaver proposes a substitute be selected. Weaver is consulting Friends of the Urban Forest. (Possibly Ginkos or European Beach Trees. Problem is these take a long time to grow.) This will need to be added to the 10-year plan. Arborist Now has proposed to create a database of the corridor trees. Will cost 5 labor hours. Put forth a recommendation to the board for Arborist Now survey.

3. Grant Updates The Ocean-Ashton Parklet grant proposal is in. The ask was for \$50,000, \$40,000 of which asked for from city. \$30,000 for the architect. Will know if awarded grant in June. Mullaney suggests that if this parklet does not happen, OAA should investigate a parkmobile.

Sidewalk Garden Grant Update: To be awarded in April.

Small Business Assistance Grant Update: To be awarded in April.

4. Ocean-Phelan Garden Shed: MTA promised the shed but PUC says buildings aren't allowed on their properties because of pipes. However, there are no pipes under the garden. Kevane is worried about who will restore garden. Weaver is trying to contact PUC's Harlan Kelly. Weaver will contact Supervisor Yee's office.

5. Ingleside Branch Library Open Space Supervisor Yee's office is working on getting funds.

6. News Racks OAA will ask DPW for a rack at Whole Foods, Phelan Plaza, CCSF, 7Eleven, 24 Hour Fitness. It's a friendly amendment. The OAA wants the four proposed boxes ASAP and then additional boxes.

7. Historic Preservation The Planning Department's Tim Frye has failed to respond to Weaver's requests for an appearance at a board meeting to discuss the Balboa Park Station Area Plan's missing historic districts. Weaver will ask Supervisor Yee for assistance.

8. New Business Weaver is maintaining contact with the DPW about Ocean Avenue's Long Term Plan. He will ask Supervisor Yee to enter the process.

Kevane lodged a complaint about window cleaners walking through the horsetail plants at the Ingleside Branch Library.

Miramar laundromat refusing to work with OAA about unkempt open space and removing clothes donation bin.

9. Announcements Picar informed the committee about the monthly open mic she holds at Caffe D'Melanio's and that the Ocean Avenue Film Festival will be in May.