



MCLAREN PARK COLLABORATIVE – MINUTES

February 23, 2011 - 6:00 pm
Crocker Amazon Clubhouse

I. Basic Information and Introductions

- a. Sign up for the google group by signing in to the meetings
- b. Linda D'Avirro will be sending information about how to log-in to the google group to access documents. Documents are also available at sfnpc.org/meetingminutes2011
- c. Let Vickie Bell (vbelle@sfnpc.org) or Linda Litehiser know if you or someone you know needs a hard copy of minutes. They will be sure to mail them out.
- d. Facebook Page for the Collaborative: Linda Litehiser will be setting this up (completed!)
- e. Website: mclarenparkcollaborative.weebly.com – Victoria Bell (sfnpc) and May Wong are working on this.

II. McLaren Park Master Plan Presentation (Gia Grant)

- a. Presentation of the existing McLaren Park Master Plan. Gia has done extensive research on the previous master plans for the park and can provide a historical context for the current park planning.
- b. 2010 Needs Assessment: This was completed last spring (2010).
 - i. Karen Mauney-Brodek is finishing her report. NPC will request that she share the needs assessment findings at the next Collaborative meeting (March 30).
 - ii. Karen is seeking updates on projects being completed in McLaren Park to include in her assessment. Send any information or request to Karen (karen.mauney-brodek@sfgov.org).
- c. There has been a request to add to the google group and sfnpc.org/meetingminutes2011 the following documents:
 - i. 1983 Master Plan
 - ii. Gia Grant's Powerpoint
 - iii. Natural Areas Plan

III. Projects Underway / Report back from other Park Groups

- a. Friend of the AMP (Amphitheater at McLaren Park)
 - i. Lighting in the Amphiteater:
 1. The group is speaking to Musco lighting, a preferred vendor with RPD and a frequent donor to non-profits for lights. The plan could include low lights along trails and the stage.
 2. Would allow for evening events or load out times later in the evening for late afternoon events.
 3. Concern: Light pollution and vandalism
 - ii. Bookings and Events:
 1. Working with RPD's Permits and Reservations as well as Volunteer office on concepts to increase bookings of the Jerry Garcia Amphitheater.
 - a. Diane Rhea from Permits & Reservations was present and will be joining the next Friends of the AMP meeting
 - b. Diane reviewed the benefits of booking events and the cost structures for using certain spaces. She explained that monty can

stay in the park, but is allocated to improvements throughout (ex: Washington Square Park and the North Beach Festival. Permit fees were attributed to irrigation, etc).

2. Working with Ingleside Police Station on what training volunteers would need to decrease police requirements (and fees) for events. There is a potential safety docent training forthcoming.
 - 3.
- b. Help McLaren Park
- i. Peru Street Playground
 1. Have a fully funded project for the playground via special events and grants (totalling more than \$400,000). Part of this was through the Community Opportunity fund (COF)
 2. More funding is needed to cover the planning process (see timeline). \$6,000 is needed. Will do this through events and cdnations.
 3. Timeline: Next 6 months are to plan for the playground with RPD anf the Planning Department.
 - ii. Gambier Street Plaza
 1. Sand pit there is to be transformed into a community gathering space with benches, tables, bollards.
 2. Goal: To create a new entrance to McLaren Park
- c. F.A.C.E. (Friends and Advocates for Crocker and the Excelsior)
- i. Working on Wayfinder Signs throughout McLaren + 2 kiosks (Shelley and at the Amphitheater)
 - ii. Will involve the *Maintainance and Capital Improveiments* committee to decide where these should go in the park and report back to the group.
 - iii. Interest in looking at other park signage (Golden Gate Park has a sign plan, etc)
- d. Philosopher's way
- i. Questions arose around this project – no group reported specifically.
 1. ADA accessability requirements
 2. Public input on what quotes will be included along the trailway signage

IV. **Committee Assignments** – Members can join a committee to focus on a specific goal. The group will choose delegate(s) to report back to the greater collaborative.

- a. Master Plan Review & Planning:
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| i. Tom Borden | iv. Fran Martin |
| ii. Gia Grant | v. Linda D'Avirro |
| iii. Diane Rea | |
- b. Safety, MTA/DPW issues, & Infrastructure
- i. Linda Litehiser
 - ii. Sharon E.
 - iii. Trilce F.
- c. Events/Activation
- i. Diane Rea
 - ii. Linda Litehiser
- d. Maintenance & capital improvements
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| i. Trilce | iii. Bill |
| ii. Tom Finucane | iv. Jean |
- e. Habitat education
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| i. Tom Scott | v. Melanie |
| ii. Tom Finucane | vi. Illaine |
| iii. Bill | vii. Marianne |
| iv. Roseanne | |
- f. PR/Outreach

- i. Linda D'Avirro
- ii. May Wong
- iii. Marianne

V. Other Business

- a. Applying for the COF (Community Opportunity Fund) – potentially for group camp site in the park.

VI. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, March 30th at 34 Leland Ave in Vis Valley