



## Who We Are and Where We're Going

### **A summary of San Francisco economic issues reported by Dr. Ted Egan at CSFN in July**

In the last issue of Neighborhood Views, both John Bardis (ISAC) and Charles Marsteller (CHNA) asked CSFN members to listen very closely to July's speaker to find out how San Francisco's neighborhoods might be impacted by the data conclusions of the ongoing economic development strategy plan created through Prop I. In that light, I have written a summary of the findings reported by Dr. Ted Egan (ICF Consulting) at our last meeting.

One of the most important indicators with growing social impact is the loss of jobs with annual salaries of \$50,000 to \$75,000. While both high- and low-paying jobs have increased, those in the middle range have seen a marked decrease. There are 20,000 fewer jobs in mid-management financial services and 10,000 fewer in a wide range of other professional services while the so-called back office jobs have been in decline since the 1970s.

Another revelation is how great the loss of population has been. Between 2000 and 2004 the city had a loss of 78,000 people, the greatest population decrease of any city in America. And, just as we thought, the households moving out of the city were larger than those moving in.

The study found a high number of registered businesses with only one employee — typically knowledge workers providing some specialized expertise such as software development or niche Internet businesses. Some 70,000 licensed companies in San Francisco fall under that category making up a whopping 18 percent of total businesses.

It was surprising that the number of private sector jobs rose only 6 percent above that of 1970, but not that the nature of the jobs has changed. In the 1990s wages took a huge leap, rising some 40 percent, with a disproportionate increase in salaries that were high to begin with. This pattern has increased as high-paying jobs have continued to be even more lucrative. In fact, San Francisco has one of the greatest income inequality rates in the country.

Other trends were more predictable: the dramatic rise in traffic congestion; the high level of people with college degrees; the growth in the number of small business (under 50 employees); the stabilization of the unemployment rate (5 percent) after the seesaw of the dot-com years; the high percentage of foreign-born residents (40 percent); the growth of jobs in hospitality, technology, education, health services and the arts; and the disparately lower wages of those without a high school diploma.

In summary, Dr. Egan pointed to the continuing evolution of San Francisco from port related commerce and manufacturing in the beginning of the 1900s, to a magnet for corporate headquarters in the fifties, to its current integration with the economy of Silicon Valley. The study points to the importance of planning for an increase in regional commuting as well as addressing job and education disparity. Our strength, says Egan, is in our "networks of responsive innovative small companies across a range of industries."

Although specific recommendations have not yet been made, I'm betting they will include much greater housing density with a breakdown in traditional zoning. To view the study, go to [www.sfeconomic-strategy.org](http://www.sfeconomic-strategy.org).

...Karen Crommie (CVIA)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We're off to a great start!

Twelve neighborhood groups sent their representatives to our CSFN Retreat July 30 at the beautiful Pavilion Building at Mission Bay. Corinne Woods acted as our informal ambassador to the left bank of Mission Creek, a bit downstream from the houseboats of the Mission Creek Harbor Association. Proud owner of one of these houseboats, Corinne has been active for years on the Mission Bay Citizens Advisory Committee and knows every building in this huge project and what new developments are coming on line.

At the retreat, we brought up issues that are both internal and external to the organization. Internal subjects, such as membership expansion and formation of committees and the study of current neighborhood problems which should be brought by Resolution that to the whole assembly are the bread and butter of our organization.

The list of issues that are "external" to the operation of the Coalition is long, because there are so many which hang over from last year, and there are so many City issues which refuse to go away. For example, this year the Coalition's committees will have to revisit, study and take a position on the following: Better Neighborhoods Planning & Implementation Policy (BN+), the upcoming revision of the Housing Element, water and sewer services, quality of life issues, densification, redevelopment, land use expansion of institutions into neighborhoods and the need for an Institutional Master Plan for acute care facilities.

Also mentioned was the Medical Cannabis Dispensaries (MCD) legislation, concerning which CSFN has taken a position, but which has now been proposed to be amended; these amendments were looked at by the Land Use & Housing Committee.

A new group has made application for CSFN membership based on our strong stand regarding MCD. ExComm will review the application of the Fair Oaks Community Coalition at its August meeting for new membership. They and the Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association have been active in this issue.

The date of the CSFN Annual Dinner was discussed with some members encouraging an October event. Last year, we had just one party: a Holiday Party in December. Although CSFN may benefit from the October dinner date, combining the Holiday Party with the Annual Dinner and holding it in December is, to my mind, an inherently better time for the Dinner.

## CSFN Committees

CSFN Bylaws provide that CSFN committees may only be created or dissolved by the members at a General Assembly meeting, but the custom has been that each year in June sign-up sheets are provided so that the committees may be reconstituted. Usually the previous year's chairman calls the first meeting, but *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, our parliamentary authority used where there is no specific language in the bylaws, states that any two members of a committee may call a meeting when the chairman doesn't call a meeting. The bylaws also provide that the President is ex officio a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President customarily appoints all committee members who have signed up, and the committee elects its chairman, and possibly a vice-chairman. At the Executive Committee's recommendation, CSFN committees must meet at least annually, or be subject to dissolution.

Each committee should adopt a set of rules, i.e., whether each person has a vote, or only each represented organization has one vote, no matter how many members of that organization attend the committee meetings. The rules might include where and when the committee will meet.

*Robert's* also states that only if the bylaws so provide may members of committees meet by teleconferencing or video conferencing, where all members may hear one another simultaneously. While CSFN is not covered by the Brown Act which deals with governmental bodies, those rules provide that there may be no "serial" meetings — those in which members are consulted individually to ascertain a decision.

While I find no specific provision in *Robert*, it is implied that committees should have in-person meetings, with the chairman serving as the note-taker and report for the committee. However, any member may be designated to give the report and recommendations of the committee and meetings of the General Assembly. No committee has the right to act for the organization unless they have specifically been given that right.

The chairman has the right to make motions and participate in discussion, and is usually the most informed member of the committee. The committee meetings should be informal, often only forming motions or recommendations after discussion, unlike General Assembly meetings when no discussion should take place until there is a motion on the floor.

If there are any questions as to committee procedures, please refer to *Robert's Rules*, 10th Edition (2000), or call me at 566-7826.

...Evelyn Wilson (SPEAK) PRP Parliamentarian

## Bait and Switch

### CPMC's Expanding Institution

San Franciscans must be tough and wary critics. We are constantly seeing developers misrepresent their true intentions.

California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) is no exception.

CPMC's consultant, Ralph Marchese, has told the Board of Supervisors that CPMC's institutional expansion to the site of the old Jack Tar Hotel is over budget by \$500 million and that they are going to have to cut way back on their proposal to build a 331-foot tall acute care hospital facility at Van Ness and Geary.

It's important to remember that one block away the Board previously approved a 260-foot tall assisted living/senior housing project sponsored by St. Mark's Church. That project died when the developer came back to St. Mark's and requested conversion of the senior housing to \$1-7 million dollar condos.

The minister said NO, instinctively knowing that "bait and switch" breaks The Commandments. By now, the Board should know that this is how developers play the game. They ask for more than what they want and then scale back to what they actually want.

It's a good assumption that the "alternative site analysis" required by the Environmental Impact Report will simply look at doubling the size of the existing CPMC campuses at Davies and Pacific Heights—thus turning those neighborhoods into the best proponents of a new 331-foot tower at Geary and Van Ness.

...Charley Marsteller (CHNA)

## Resolution: Sidewalk Public Toilets

Whereas, there are at this time over eight locations of public toilets all along the César Chavez and 26th Street corridor; and

Whereas, no need has been documented for more toilets in the area; and

Whereas, the César Chavez and 26th Street area is primarily a residential neighborhood; and

Whereas, the existing sidewalk public toilets have been proven to be crime magnets; therefore be it

Resolved, East Mission Improvement Association urges the use of the existing public toilets, and rigorously opposes any more in this area.

...John Wilson (President EMIA)

## CSFN Retreat

President Judy Berkowitz convened the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods Retreat at 1:00 p.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> of July in the Pavilion Building located at 301 Channel Street in San Francisco's Mission Bay district. The following CSFN officers, delegates, and alternates participated in the CSFN Retreat representing their respective community organizations: Barbara Austin (Francisco Heights Civic Association), John Bardis (Inner Sunset Action Committee), Judy Berkowitz (East Mission Improvement Assn), Francisco Da Costa (Bay View Hunters Point Coordinating Council), Hiroshi Fukuda (Richmond Community Association), Jim Lew (North Beach Neighbors), Charley Marsteller (Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association), Tony Sacco (New Mission Terrace Improvement Association), Mary-Margaret Ward (Pacific Heights Residents Association), Evelyn Wilson (Sunset Parkside Education & Action Committee), and Corinne Woods (Mission Creek Harbor Assn).

*Improving CSFN Effectiveness.* The participants at the CSFN Retreat discussed ways to strengthen the CSFN including: outreach to former member organizations to rejoin the CSFN, recruitment of new member organizations, initiation and implementation of CSFN resolutions, increase involvement of member organizations, possible strengthening of the CSFN Bylaws, raising funds, controlling expenses, continuing the CSFN Annual Dinner, improving structure of the CSFN Executive Committee, making more effective meetings of the CSFN General Assembly, convening of the CSFN Government & Elections Committee, political action committee, CSFN Calendar, CSFN events & programs, improving the content and distribution of the CSFN newsletter, *Neighborhood Views*.

*Potential San Francisco Issues:* The persons at the CSFN Retreat identified the following potential San Francisco issues facing the CSFN: proposed Better Neighborhoods Planning & Implementation Process (BN+) ordinance, updating the Housing Element of the San Francisco Master Plan, development of San Francisco's economic strategy, proposed rapid transit on Geary Boulevard, Planning Department reforms, densification, quality of life, neighborhood character, redevelopment, water/sewer infrastructure, institutional master plan for acute-care facilities, recreation & park natural areas, energy sustainability, and 2016 Olympics. There was discussion of a follow up CSFN Retreat to examine in greater depth and rank the importance of the above issues on which the CSFN will focus during the current year.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:27

...John Bardis (ISAC)

## Executive Committee Report

The CSFN ExCom was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at Northern Station by Chair Mary Helen Briscoe. Present were Judy Berkowitz, Hiroshi Fukuda, Jim Lew, Corinne Woods, Joan Girardot, Babette Drefke, and Evelyn Wilson. Guests were Marilyn Amini and Emeric Kalman. Dick Millet was excused.

**Reports:** President Berkowitz reported on continuation of R&P hearing to discuss Natural Areas Program. Joan Girardot proposed that CSFN write a letter to R&P recommending holding Natural Areas meeting at 5 pm or later to accommodate working people. Voted on and passed. Group, *Park Access for All* is holding frequent meetings including one with the Mayor to ensure park remains open and ADA accessible. In conformity with the bylaws President will call a meeting of the Open Space Committee and Government & Elections Committee.

First and second VPs had no report.  
Corresponding secretary had no report.  
Recording Secretary, absence excused  
Treasurer James Lew handed out preliminary directory of member organizations for corrections.

**Program:** Fred Abadi of the DPW was proposed as speaker for August. Questions for Dr. Abadi were discussed, ie DPW commitment to the Greening Program, the interface between DPW and SFCTA, DPT and PUC, administrative responsibility of DPW in construction management oversight. Future program topics proposed were SF Universal Health Care, Land Trust in Chinatown and affordable housing development.

**Unfinished business:** Website parking fee due. The binder for CSFN correspondence is now available for display at meetings. Two designs for stationery letterhead will be presented for vote at the August Excom meeting

**New Business:** Suggestions for discussion at the coming Sunday retreat were how to effectively involve more groups, who should be targeted for membership, why are there not more motions, and fund raising. It was decided to provide food and drink at the retreat.

*Next Excom meeting will be August 23 at 6:30 at Northern Station.*

Adjournment at 8:18.  
...Mary Helen Briscoe, 1st Vice President and ExCom chair

### Susan J. Bierman

*She Bierman was killed in an automobile accident, just the other day. What a shock!*

*She left her life as a reminder of how we all ought to behave as civic persons, full of respect for each other, but full of pithy criticism as well. She was a fighter for causes that would have been lost without her intervention, such as the freeway proposal across San Francisco along the Panhandle in Golden Gate Park.*

*Sixteen years on the Planning Commission taught her that no cause is a lost cause. She was often the only nay-sayer to a developer who presented an out-of-scale project to the Commission but she always explained her "No" vote and used her chair as a bully-*

## Open Space Committee Report

In order to give new momentum for the Coalition's Open Space Committee, President Judith Berkowitz convened on August 3rd the first meeting of this Committee after the elections. Using as an example the rules formulated by the Land Use Committee, the group adopted procedural rules but did not review substantive matters.

Among rules adopted were that meetings shall be bi-monthly on second Thursdays at 1 p.m., to allow interested persons who work to attend on their lunch hour. As a place to meet, Frank Noto has offered the Conference room of his business at the downtown location of 655 Montgomery (near Washington), 17th Floor, Suite 1700. The next three meetings will be September 14, November 9 and January 11.

The committee voted to adopt the additional following Rules:

- Any member of the Open Space Committee who fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the committee without being excused by the Chair of the Committee shall forfeit his appointment to serve as a voting member of the committee.
- Each CSFN member organization shall have the right to cast one vote even when there are present more than one person representing that organization.

All who signed up in advance of the meeting were appointed as members of the Open Space Committee, including both those in attendance (Berkowitz, Blair, Kushner, Miller, Noto, Stephens and Wuerfel) and those not present (Albright, Howard and Kalman). Wuerfel was elected Chair of the committee and Albright, Vice Chair, in absentia, pending her acceptance.

There are open space issues in every neighborhood. Berkowitz encouraged more neighborhood groups interested in these issues to attend meetings, to become members, and to contribute regularly to the success of the committee.

...Nancy Wuerfel (SPEAK) Chair, with Mary Anne Miller and Judith Berkowitz



*pulpit to educate the developer about neighborhood character and appropriate scale.*

*After her years on the Planning Commission, she decided to run for Supervisor at the age of 68 and won two terms. Still not ready to retire, she accepted an appointment to serve the Port Commission in 2003. Earlier, when she was a member of the Waterfront Advisory Board, she played an integral role in developing the Waterfront Land Use Plan. She served also on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority.*

*She has been elected biannually to the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee since 1974. Through a life as full as this, she never forgot her family and the fact that she was from a small town in Nebraska.*

...Mary Anne Miller (SPEAK)

# CSFN Draft Minutes General Meeting July 18, 2006

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Pres. Judy Berkowitz at  
7:09 pm at Northern Police Station, Tuesday, 18 July 2006

QUORUM ascertained: 23 organizations and 8+ guests  
attending.

INTRODUCTION of Delegates and Guests with short  
announcements:

- \* Dick Millet (PBNA), Underground Wiring Task Force:  
Announced e-mail poll/survey regarding undergrounding of  
electric & telephone services and its costs to occur in October.
- \* Eileen Boken (SPEAK), announced a City (Bus) Rapid Transit  
meeting for noon to 2:00 pm Sat. 29 July.
- \* Corinne Woods (MHCA), announced a Mission Bayfront Parks  
WORKSHOP at 6:30–8:30pm on Wed 19 July at the Mission Bay  
Visitors Center, 255 Channel Street.
- \* Edith McMillan is sick, housebound; she would like to hear  
from friends, ph: 752-5200.

PRESENTATION by HOST ORGANIZATIONS: Glen Park  
Assn. (GPA) and Ewing Terrace Neighborhood Assn. (ETNA).

## OFFICERS' REPORTS:

- \* President's MESSAGE: Judy Berkowitz, page 2, July  
Newsletter,
- \* 1st VICE PREZ, Mary Helen Briscoe, NONE
- \* 2nd VICE PREZ, Hiroshi Fukuda: NONE
- \* RECORDING SEC'Y, Dick Millet: 29 June '06 Minutes, page  
6 of July Newsletter, "approved" as printed in July Newsletter  
with amendments of 18 July meeting: LU&H Resolution 3c) ...  
delete "not adopt the proposed reduction" and replace with "and  
not redefine recreational facilities" of these notification require-  
ments.
- \* TREASURER, Jim Lew: Report of 18 July '06 submitted.
- \* CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, Corinne Woods (interim):  
NONE

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- \* Executive Committee: See Report in NL.
- \* Newsletter Committee: Production Volunteers NEEDED! All  
member organizations should submit articles. Submissions due by  
the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month to: <ma-miller@msn.com> or 661-0126.

PROGRAM: "OVERVIEW OF SAN FRANCISCO'S  
ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE" by Ted Egan, ICF Consulting.  
<sfeconomicstrategy.org> Create an economic development  
strategy to focus on identifying and developing industries that  
potentially create jobs that align with skills and education of  
San Francisco's residents. This document, with feedback from  
presentations such as this one, will help in recommendations of  
target industries, devise strategies and prepare a policy and action  
plan for the City. Note: It was brought up that the Neighborhoods  
and residents are not considered an economic contributor.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:50 pm.

...Dick Millet (PBNA) Recording Secretary—6—

# SPEAK's Preservation Efforts Continue

It takes time, effort and money, but it's definitely worth do-  
ing. Preservation.

SPEAK believes that preservation should be on the agenda  
of every neighborhood group. Not just preservation when  
a developer is threatening to tear down the most historic  
house on the block. In many cases it is too late at that point,  
although demolitions of housing are automatic staff-initi-  
ated DRs and the Planning Commission may rule in favor  
of the neighborhood. But house by house, and saving it at  
the last minute, is very hard on the nerves.

Two years ago, SPEAK established its Architectural and  
Historic Inventory Survey Committee (SAHRIC) and we  
are now finishing up our survey of the former Oceanside  
neighborhood near the Beach. The Oceanside is the old  
name for an area generally south of Golden Gate Park and  
west of 45th Avenue which is the first part of the Sunset to  
be permanently settled. SPEAK hired a consultant who pre-  
pared and submitted to us an historic "context statement"  
describing the development of the Oceanside. He studied  
the historic background of about forty "little houses." Then  
he prepared in-depth reports on the twenty small houses and  
cottages from the period 1904–1930 that are least modified  
and mostly in original condition. After we reviewed his  
reports, we took them to the Survey Advisors Committee  
of the City Planning Department. Now, we're ready to get  
started on Phase II, the next batch of houses that we want to  
have considered "historic." We have delivered the reports  
and Context Statement to our funder, the Gerbode Founda-  
tion and thanked them for their grant. Now we will be seek-  
ing additional grant money to carry on. The City is finally  
ready to disburse some of its money that was received from  
the Emporium settlement and many groups will be lining up  
for that.

Every neighborhood has historic houses. Our study is  
among the first neighborhood-initiated surveys in the City,  
and it was warmly welcomed by Bridget Maley, President  
of the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board. We would  
be glad to take you through the basic steps if you are inter-  
ested in getting started on an historic survey for your own  
neighborhood.

Congratulations to the Mission District Neighborhood As-  
sociation for the award of \$25,000 from the Preservation  
Fund Committee, an amount which will allow preparation  
of an historic context report of the blocks surrounding the  
Mission on Dolores Street.

...Mary Anne Miller (SPEAK)

# Land Use & Housing Committee Report

Land Use & Housing Committee – Report of July 24, 2006 Meeting

The Chair of the LU&H Committee, Hiroshi Fukuda, convened the July 24, 2006 Regular Meeting of the committee on Monday, July 24, 2006 at 6:37 p. m. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station located at Turk and Fillmore Streets.

Committee members present were: Barbara Austin, John Bardis, Judy Berkowitz, Bernie Choden, Penelope Clark, Hiroshi Fukuda, Joan Girardot, Emeric Kalman, Ellen Kernaghane, Jim Lew, Charlotte Maeck, Mary Ann Miller, and Richard Millet. Committee members absent were: Marilyn Amini and Charley Marsteller.

The committee considered the following matters: regular meeting date of the committee, proposed changes to the pre-application process required of project sponsors intending to submit an Application for Building Permit, proposed changes in the siting requirements for cannabis dispensaries, progress being made in the preparation of a San Francisco Economic Strategy, proposals to finance the upgrading and expansion of the San Francisco's water and sewer infrastructure, proposed Bus Rapid Transit on Geary Street, proposed California Pacific Hospital building on Van Ness Avenue, and subjects to be considered at the forthcoming CSFN Retreat Workshop.

The committee voted to recommend the following resolutions concerning Pre-Application at the August 15, 2006 Regular Meeting of the CSFN General Assembly:

Project sponsors are required to have a Pre-Application meeting with following criteria:

1. The notice must include a factual description of the proposed modification, and reduced copies 11"x 17" or 11"x 8.5" of the proposed site plan and building elevations. The notice must be mailed out at least 10 calendar days before the meeting date. The notice shall include information about the time and place for viewing such full size plans and meeting with the applicant. The applicant or representative's name, return address and phone number shall be included in the information.
2. Owners and occupants of properties within 300-foot radius to be noticed. The labeled, stamped, stuffed envelopes with the notice and site plans delivered to the Planning Department by noon 10 days prior to meeting.
3. The meeting must be held at a convenient location to the neighborhood.
4. The meeting time should be held between 6 PM to 8 PM on weekdays or noon to 6 PM on weekends.
5. The proposed full-size site plan and building elevations along with landscaping concept plans shall be provided at the Pre-Application meeting.

All Pre-Application Neighborhood Meetings are required to comply with the criteria noted in items #1-5. A Statement of Completion form must be completed, signed, and received by the Planning Department within 7 days after the meeting. Any deviations from these criteria will require the Pre-Application Neighborhood Meeting to be conducted

again in accordance with the above noted criteria.

The Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods supports the decision by the Planning Commission regarding the appropriateness of the proposed site of the Green Cross location at Columbus and Leavenworth; and that the Planning Department through its Code Enforcement division and other relevant city entities draw up comprehensive city policy and processes regarding such sites.

*The August Regular Meeting of the CSFN Land Use & Housing Committee is scheduled to take place on Monday, August 28, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station located at Turk and Fillmore Streets.*

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

...Hiroshi Fukuda (RCA) Chairman

## Cathedral Hill Neighborhood

CSFN has approved the application for membership from Cathedral Hill Neighbors Association (CHNA), a group formed in 2005. CHNA's boundaries stretch from Grove to Sacramento and Polk to Fillmore — the reason being chiefly due to the California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) rebuild and concerns regarding Japantown.

CHNA's catalyst for organizing was the proposed Cathedral Hill campus of CPMC which is located at Van Ness and Geary, the location of the old Jack Tarr Hotel. Subsequently, conventional neighborhood concerns have given rise to neighborhood forums on new topics such as public safety and crime and the closure of local markets (ie Albertson's and Cala Bell). Supervisor Alioto-Pier has met with the large CHNA membership to brainstorm alternatives for the Cala Bell closures.

CSFN members are welcome to attend as grocery store closures is an issue which affects us all.

Van Ness Neighbors (VNN), a CSFN member group, has merged with Cathedral Hill, and VNN's Charley Marsteller, will now represent Cathedral Hill.

...Charles Marsteller (CHNA)

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Land Use & Housing** • Monday 5:30PM August 28 • Northern Station • Chair Hiroshi Fukuda • ninersam@aol.com, • 386-2632

**Gov't & Elections** • Friday 4:00PM August 11 • Karen Crommie • kcrommie@aol.com

**Open Space** • Thursday Sept 14 • Chair Nancy Wuerfel • nancenumber1@aol.com

**Water Task Force** • Chair Joan Girardot • 346-5525

**Bylaws** • Chair Evelyn Wilson • 566-7826 • evelynwilsregparl@earthlink.net

## Government and Elections Report

Anticipating the announcement of the final ballot measures later in the week, CSFN's Government and Elections Committee had its first meeting of this election cycle on Monday, August 7 in the community room of Northern Station. Serving on the committee are John Bardis, Karen Crommie, Sharon Eberhardt, Joan Girardot, Mary Harris, Emeric Kalman, Tony Sacco, Evelyn Wilson, Corinne Woods, Mary-Margaret Ward, Frank Noto and Judith Berkowitz..

Of the four ballot measures unofficially released by the Department of Elections, they voted to look at a proposed charter amendment which would require the salaries of city officials to be based on a Bay Area average, and a \$450 million school bond measure for capital improvements and accessibility compliance.

The committee will meet again at 4:00PM Friday, August 11 at Taraval Police Station to study the final ballot measures and prepare recommendations to the General Assembly.

...Karen Crommie (CVIA)

### Hosting Schedule

September: Dolores Heights Improvement Club  
East Million Improvement Association  
October: Cow Hollow Association  
Excelsior District Improvement Assn

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Member-at-Large: Babette Drefke  
Member-at-Large: Joan Girardot

## Vacancies on CSFN ExCom

CSFN Bylaws Article VI, Sec D states: "A vacancy shall be filled by a special election held two meetings after the announcement of the vacancy has been published in the newsletter. The Executive Committee shall appoint a representative to fill the vacancy for the interim.

The office of Corresponding Secretary has been filled by Corinne Woods (MCHA). A special election will be held at the August meeting to fill the vacancy, at which time nominations may be made from the floor.

...Evelyn Wilson (SPEAK) Parliamentarian

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North Beach Neighbors  
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Fiona Ma for Assembly  
Dick Millet  
Frank Noto  
Janet Reilly for Assembly  
Richard Shadioan

## AGENDA

General Assembly Meeting  
August 15, 2006

- 6:30 1. Sign In
- 7:00 2. Call to Order
- a. Introductions & Brief Announcements
  - b. Hosts
    - 1) Twin Peaks Improvement Assn — TPIA
    - 2) Diamond Heights Community Assn — DHCA
- 7:30 3. Minutes — July 18, 2006 General Assembly Meeting
- 7:40 4. Officers' Reports
- 7:50 5. Committee Reports (Written reports in Newsletter)
- 8:00 6. New Business
- a. Resolution — Sidewalk Public Toilets (EMIA)
  - b. Nominations & Election Corresponding Secretary
  - c. Resolution — Pre-Application (LU&H Cmte)
- 8:30 7. Program: Gov't & Elections Cmte — Local measures  
Dr Fred Abadi, Director Dept Public Works
- 9:15 8. Adjournment



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**ACTION ITEMS**  
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