# Port's Southern Advisory Committee (SAC) September 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 Meeting Notes 6:00 – 8:00 pm Virtual Public Meeting via Zoom

Accepted by SAC on December 7, 2022

#### **SAC Members in attendance:**

Edward Hatter, Chair

**Howard Wong** 

Chris Wasney

**Toby Levine** 

Katherine Doumani

Karen Pierce

**Shirley Moore** 

#### **SAC Members Absent:**

Mike Bishop

Michael Hamman

Chris Christensen

Jessica Fontenot

Kevin Lawson

Roscoe Mapps

# Port and City staff in attendance:

Planning & Environment Division: David Beaupre, Mark Paez, Jai Jackson, Carol Bach,

Ryan Wassum

Real Estate & Development Division: Kim Beal, Joyce Chan

Maritime: Dominic Moreno and Patrick Forester Engineering: Rod Iwashita and Matt Wickens

# **Others in attendance:**

Sharon Prager

Jessica Doremus

Jordan Langer, Non-Ultra Plus

Erin Bilbo, Golden Voice

Erin Huang

Tim Lee

Mark Hennon

Mark ??, SF Recreation and Parks Department Joel Bean

#### 1. Introductions and Announcements

# **Heron's Head Park Construction Update**

#### Carol Bach reported the following:

- Pedestrian access into the park from the India Basin side of the park will be limited while construction work is occurring because of safety concerns, but the pedestrian access will be restored after hours and on weekends by opening the construction fence.
- Dixon Marine was awarded the construction contract and most work will be done
  using land-based equipment and the project is scheduled to be completed by the
  end of November 2022.
- En2Action is holding Beekeeping Workshops in October, November and December of 2022 and interested parties should contact Miguel Dimas at the Eco-Center that will be conducting outreach to youth and families.

## **Committee Comments and Questions and Staff responses**

- Will the trail closures be posted and can tidal markers be used to inform the public of when tidal conditions will require the pedestrian access to be closed?
   Staff will investigate the possible use of signage including tidal markers.
- This is a great program and a Master Beekeeper could be very helpful to Bayview residents that are interested in or already involved in beekeeping. Yes, staff agrees.

#### Sundown Cinema at Crane Cove Park - 9/30/22

Kim Beal and David Beaupre provided the following report:

- The SF Parks Alliance is proposing the first free public event in Crane Cove Park on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> with the screening of The Legend of the Ten Rings.
- The movie will start at 10 pm and conclude by 11:30 pm and is expected to attract 1000 people.
- The event will utilize the south wall of Building 49 for the screen and attendees will be able to view the film from the great lawn. There will also be food concessions and music provided in the slipway. The SF Bicycle Coalition will provide a valet bike program.

#### Portola Music Festival – 9/24 - 9/25/22

Dominic Moreno introduced Non-Ultra Plus team members Jordan Langer and Erin Bilbo who refreshed the committee on the proposed September 24th and 25th outdoor music festival at Pier 80 and thanked the SAC for its earlier support. The event is designed to appeal to the 21 and up age demographic and most patrons will be between 27 and 35 years of age. The presentations slides can be accessed by clicking on this link. Updates to the traffic management include a shuttle drop off in front of the MUNI Metro East Maintenance Facility and patron parking will be provided at the Cow Palace with shuttle service to Pier 80. Geo-fencing will be used to restrict Uber and Lyft ride sharing services to the designated site on Cesar Chavez between Indiana and Third Streets. MUNI will provide three extra buses and trains at the end of the event to facilitate patron egress from the site. There will be a taxi zone designated on Illinois Street between Marin and Cesar Chavez and supplemental bays of E Bikes will be provided. Sound Engineers will optimize the orientation of the stages to help mitigate noise.

En2Action is helping to identify local organizations that will participate and get the word out about the event in the Bayview. There will be a telephone hotline set up to receive questions and complaints during the event and the number will be included on all event fliers and email messaging. There was a job fair and the event is still hiring security staff. The event will also promote local food options so that patrons will know about local venues for food, drink and entertainment after the music festival ends each day encouraging them to patronize local businesses.

#### Committee Comments and Questions and Sponsor responses

- This will be an exciting event and the Bayview Hill and Candlestick Heights
  Neighborhood Associations would like to know who the food vendors are. Jordan
  agreed to provide the requested food vendor contact information.
- The event could provide additional community benefit if it reflected the neighborhood's history and cultural hotspots of the area. A map of these sites could be helpful and make this a regional event including Bayview, Potrero Hill, Dogpatch and Bernal Heights. Jordan welcomed the feedback and agreed to include such information on a map.

# SFPUC Invitation to Southeast Treatment Plant Construction Project Tour – 9/29/22 and 10/27/22

David Beaupre and Kim Beal announced the SFPUC treatment plant tour and asked interested SAC members to RSVP to Jai Jackson by Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at <a href="mailto:jai.jackson@sfport.com">jai.jackson@sfport.com</a> for one of the Thursday 9 to 11:30 am tours. To sign up for a tour the SFPUC requests your name, telephone number and which of the tour dates you prefer.

SAC members that toured the treatment plant in the past encouraged their colleagues to tour this important City facility. This led to a discussion of the functioning of the treatment plant and San Francisco's combined sewer that mixes wastewater with storm water runoff.

# **Heirloom No Longer Pursuing Lease of Port Property**

David Beaupre announced that Heirloom, a carbon capture company, withdrew their proposed lease of a portion of the Pier 68 Slips 1 – 3 uplands site after conducting their community outreach and agreed to respond to questions.

## SAC member Comments and Questions followed by staff responses:

- What is carbon capture and is this green business something the Port is interested in pursuing and if so what lessons learned from this experience can be used to inform future leasing efforts? Yes, this is a great opportunity for the Port to meet its business and sustainability goals and to be more effective in its marketing.
- The committee suggested that if Green Industry is important to the Port it should be
  a topic on a future SAC meeting agenda. The committee expressed support for
  green industries including aquaculture and kelp farming and its interest in knowing
  more about the pros and cons of this industry and the process that the Port utilizes to
  determine when to enter into a lease with a prospective tenant.
- A member of the committee added that the proposed use was supported by the
  community but not the district supervisor. The committee also suggested that Green
  Industries like carbon capture be considered in the Port's Waterfront Resilience
  Program and that it might be appropriate to incentivize the waterfront by streamlining
  the review and approval process.
- David agreed that Port marketing and leasing to Green Industries was important and worthy of a future SAC discussion. David also said it would be good to understand what the community heard from Heirloom about their reasons for seeking a lease outside of the city. He also explained that staff will need time to respond to this request and that it may be a month or two before staff would be prepared to discuss the matter.

# 2. Acceptance of Draft 04/23/22 Meeting Notes

The SAC accepted the meeting notes with minor corrections.

#### 3. Southern Waterfront Seismic Assessment

Rod Iwashita and Matt Wickens presented the Southern Waterfront Seismic Assessment and their slide presentation can be viewed by clicking on this link. Their presentation is summarized as follows:

 This initial assessment was initiated by the Port Commission as a companion to the Mutli-Hazard Risk Assessment (MHRA).

- Unlike the Northern Waterfront facilities in the Southern Waterfront are industrial, not accessible to the public and different from one another.
- Other ports that have experienced earthquake damage have soil conditions very similar to the Southern Waterfront.
- The purpose of the assessment is to characterize geo-technical hazards south of Mission Creek and will be the first comprehensive look at the Southern Waterfront and will consolidate all of the data in one document.
- The assessment will be similar to the 2016 Seawall Vulnerability Study in the level of detail and analysis.
- The assessment is necessary to support the Port's work to make a case for stimulus funding for specific projects to reduce potential hazards, but it's not anticipated that the project will include a significant public component.
- The assessment will inform the Army Corps Flood Study and the Waterfront Resilience Program (WRP) Adaptation Strategies that will be presented to the SAC in the fall.
- The assessment will provide the history of the shoreline and the creation of land through the filling of the Bay and an understanding of the conditions that will lead to the development of specific implementable projects that the Port will seek funding for.
- The Port allocated \$3 million in Capital Funds to study the seismic behavior of Pier 50 a portion of which is located on land.
- The Pier 80 marine terminal is supported by a sand dike and supports important maritime cargo operations and SFPUC infrastructure that's potentially vulnerable to seismic hazards. The Port has allocated \$10.2 million in Capital Funding to address the Pier 80 seismic vulnerability.
- The Port has allocated \$3.6 million to fund the Pier 96 Earthquake Improvement Project to identify the required improvements to address the vulnerabilities of this facility that is an important part of the City's emergency response infrastructure. Once the improvements are identified the Port can seek FEMA and other funding sources.
- As the facilities in the Southern Waterfront are improved they will be able to accommodate new business opportunities and industries.

# SAC member Comments and Questions followed by staff responses:

 There were questions about the environmental review for the project and whether it would include job training and workforce development. David explained that there may be confusion between the Waterfront Plan environmental review and the Waterfront Resilience Program. He went on to talk about the Port's partnership with the community to build expertise through job training to position local and minority businesses to respond to Port contracting opportunities. Rod Iwashita added that the Port is seeking to waive the requirement to select the lowest bidder and to seek the best value in bidding. David and Rod explained that the SAC follows the Port's outreach efforts and that requirements like job training are typically included in Port leases and bid documents to support the Port's strategic vales and goals.

• The SAC also talked about reinstituting the Port's Blue Greenway planning process to promote continuous public access to the shoreline from Hunter Point Shipyard to Candlestick Cove, where this currently is no public access. David and Matt responded by explaining that the Port's jurisdiction ends at India Basin and the Port is happy to collaborate with other City agencies to improve public access, but that the Port has no authority to initiate a planning process for this area. SAC members suggested raising this issue with the Port Commission and David responded by offering to reach out to the Office of Infrastructure and Investment (OCII) the successor to the former San Francisco Redevelopment Agency that is working with the US Navy on the transfer of the Hunter's Point Shipyard to the City.

# 4. Quick Updates and Requests for Future SAC Meetings

Next SAC Meeting: Wed, September 28, 2022

Possible Items for Future Meetings

- Maritime Cargo Update
- Brookfield Pier 70 Update
- Opportunities for Green Industries in the Southern Waterfront

**Project Progress Tracking Reports\***