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**ADOPTED MINUTES
SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY FACILITY COMMISSION
Wednesday, November 29 , 2023
6:00 P.M.**

1. **Land Acknowledgement:** *Commissioner Murphy* read the Land Acknowledgement.
2. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** *Commissioner Murphy* called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and staff called roll.
Present: *Chung, Mezie, Murphy, Posey, Sanchez, Tran,*
Excused: *Fromer*
3. **Adoption of Minutes:** October 25, 2023
Moved: *Sanchez* **Second:** *Posey*
Ayes: *Chung, Mezie, Murphy, Posey, Sanchez, Tran*
The minutes for October 25, 2023, were adopted.
4. **General Public Comment:** None.
5. **Communications:** None.
6. **Report of the Chair:** (*Murphy*)
Chair *Murphy* reported the Fee Structure and Schedule would be presented to the Public Utilities Commission on December 12th and she will attend to represent the Southeast Community Facility Commission. Toys are being collected for the Boys and Girls Clubs and bins are located at the Community Center. Us4Us is also collecting toys for holiday distribution. In closing Chair *Murphy* announced the cancellation of all December meetings. The Advisory Committees and the regular Commission meeting schedule will resume in January.

Public Comment: None.
7. **Committee Reports:**
 - a) Community Programs Advisory Committee (*Posey*)
Commissioner *Posey* provided an overview of the November committee meeting where an introduction to the Kindergarten to College Savings Program was introduced. There was an update on the Reservation Policies and Procedures as well as a brief discussion regarding the possibility of changing the meeting time.
 - b) Facility & Design Advisory Committee (*Sanchez*)
Commissioner *Sanchez* reported updates on the Center Reservation Procedures were shared and there have been almost 50,000 visitors to the Center. This number of visitors also brings other challenges with parking and the use of the Electric Car Charging Stations. There was also a discussion regarding whether the date and time of the Committee meeting should be changed.
Public Comment: None.

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Mayor

Emily Pharr
Executive Director

Susan Murphy
Chair

Dr. Gina Fromer
Vice-Chair

Karen Chung
Commissioner

Chika Mezie
Commissioner

Damien Posey
Commissioner

Amerika Sanchez
Commissioner

Marlene Tran
Commissioner



8. **Bayview Police Community Updates:** *(Selinger)*

Lieutenant Jacqueline Selinger, Bayview Police Department provided updates on behalf of Captain David Moran. Lieutenant Selinger reported the Department Homeless Outreach Officer works in coordination with other city agencies to ensure homeless individuals are receiving services. She reported monthly community meetings are held with community groups, businesses, and residents informing them of crime trends, community events, and crime prevention. There is a Community Engagement Division that builds relationships with the community.

Lieutenant Selinger invited the Commissioners and members of the public to join District Attorney Jenkins and Chief Scott in a community discussion held at the Southeast Center on Thursday, December 7 at 6 p.m.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners:

The Commissioners discussed the monthly meetings of the Bayview Police, and they were interested in knowing how the Department was building relationships with youth of the community.

- Lieutenant Selinger said School Resource Officers were no longer provided, however, good relationships have been maintained and the schools have been encouraged to reach out to the department whenever they are needed. An officer also reported getting to know youth in the neighborhood resulted in building trust and establishing positive relationships.

Executive Director Pharr thanked Lieutenant Selinger and her staff for attending the meeting. She noted the support the department has provided to the Center and thanked them for continuing to build that relationship.

Public Comment: None.

9. **Active Communities Plan:** *(Kidd)*

Christopher Kidd, Transportation Planner III, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency introduced the Active Communities Plan that will be inclusive of all devices that can use the bike network as well as center the needs of priority communities and vulnerable users.

He provided the plan schedule that began in Spring 2023 Phase 1 - understanding community concerns and acknowledging what works and what doesn't work.

Summer 2023 Phase 2 – includes community discussions and asking what do people need to use active transportation?

Fall/Winter 2023 Phase 3 – is the current phase where community mapping has been created along with a draft network and Plan recommendations.

Winter/Spring 2024 Phase 4 - will provide a community action plan along with a draft and a final plan.

The community workshops held in April, July, and October provided insight such as Bayview has few people riding bikes or scooters and these are not the highest priorities of the community. Residents feel neglected and SFMTA needs to demonstrate commitment. Other community issues were highlighted such as road and sidewalk conditions, sea level rise, environmental justice needs, safe spaces for youth, connections to other neighborhoods, and sidewalk parking hazards.

Christopher Kidd provided drafts of a Vision Statement, Programs & Policies, and a Bayview Hunters Point Network. He shared information regarding upcoming projects. The first being the Bayview Multimodal Community Corridor. The budget is \$15 million and will provide traffic calming east of 3rd Street. Construction is set to begin 2025. Another upcoming projects is the Bayview Connections. \$20 million will be provided to widen/extend Harney Way, including protected lanes for biking & rolling.

The Next Steps will include sharing the Citywide Draft Network in January. There will be more community events to confirm recommendations and the Community Action Plan will be available in February. In Spring 2024 the Citywide Draft will be confirmed and it will be finalized in Summer 2024. High-priority projects will be implemented in Fall 2024.

Mr. Kidd shared an update on the Bayview Community Shuttle. Community-led outreach and marketing has yielded 25 events and reach 2,000 + community members. The Community Shuttle Service pilot is set to run for 2+ years and will work to extend operating past 2026. An RFP will be initiated for a 3rd party operator and service will begin in 2024. A Workforce Development Program will recruit, train, & hire shuttle drivers while preparing a path to sustainable union jobs. A Transportation Resource Center located at 5009 3rd Street will assist with enrollment. There will be a Community Congress meeting every three months to provide oversight of the \$10.5 million dollar grant that will fund the project through the California Air Resources Board's Sustainable Transportation Equity Project (STEP). STEP is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide initiative that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions strengthening the economy and improving public health and the environment.

Mr. Kidd noted the Program Partners for the Bayview Community Shuttle as follows:
Community Shuttle Service Plan Engagement & Marketing

- Hunters Point Family
- SF African American Arts & Cultural District
- Community Youth Center SF
- MNC – Evans Campus
- OneBayview

Workforce Development Program

- Office of Economic & Workforce Development
- A. Philip Randolph Institute
- Young Community Developers

Transportation Resource Center

- Community Youth Center SF
- Bay Area Community Resources

Community Congress Oversight Body

- Bayview Hunters Point Community Advocates

Mr. Kidd provided a break-down of how the system would work in 4 stages

1. Reserve a ride through the app or a tri-lingual call center (Spanish, English, Chinese). Rides can be to anywhere within the service area.
2. Walk to a “virtual bus stop”. This could be your front door, the corner of your street, or one block away.
3. Get picked up by a small shuttle vehicle. Pay a Muni fare with your Clipper Card or Monthly Transit Pass.
4. Shuttle picks-up and drops-off other passengers along the way to your destination.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners:

Commissioners wanted to know if there would be a time limit on each ride and how would non-English speakers communicate with drivers?

- Mr. Kidd responded time limits of rides would be determined within the vendors contracts and non-English speaking riders would determine their destination prior to boarding the shuttle through an app that is being created for communication between the driver and the user.

Commissioners noted training would be necessary for individuals that might not know how to use an app. They were also interested in knowing Commissioners what the workforce training would entail?

- Mr. Kidd said some workforce training would be provided through the vendors and teamsters. He added the wages would be paid through SFMTA. He advised storage and charging stations would also be needed since some of the vehicles would be electric and this would create workforce opportunities.

Commissioners commented on the construction aspect of the project and noted the streets in Bayview are often smaller in size and they were concerned about whether there was a plan to enlarge the areas where the shuttle would go. They noted incidents of cars being swiped because of the size of the streets.

Commissioners noted the importance of connecting the Bayview to other neighborhoods and providing services that would get the community to BART and other transportation resources.

Commissioners asked what would happen in 2026 if funding for the program ended?

- Mr. Kidd said the pilot program could show there is a need for the service and more funding would be required to make it permanent.

Commissioners suggested a trial run prior to the implementation, and they offered to assist with outreach.

Public Comment:

A member of the public asked for a definition of unacceptable streets.

- Mr. Kidd advised unacceptable streets referred to any street not technically owned by the City of San Francisco. He said this was usually private property in terrible condition with no sidewalk.

10. Reparations Update: (McDonnell)

Eric McDonnell, Chair of the African American Reparations Committee introduced the 15-member committee and provided an update on the timeline and subcommittee involvement. The timeline began in February 2020 when District 10 Supervisor Shamann Walton introduced legislation to create the African American Reparations Committee and the Board of Supervisors passed the legislation in December 2020. Mr. McDonnell reported the first meeting was held in June 2021 and a summary report was submitted to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors December 2021. A draft report with recommendations was submitted December 2022 and the Board of Supervisors unanimously supported implementation for the Final Reparations Plan. The plan was submitted to the Mayor, Human Rights Commission, and the Board of Supervisors June 2023 and will sunset January 2024.

Mr. McDonnell provided a brief overview of why reparations were necessary. He noted the influx of African Americans who migrated to San Francisco from the South to work at the Naval Shipyard and other war industries. Initially many moved to the Western Addition, creating businesses, and setting up housing. Soon redlining began and by 1960 Black and Japanese residents were displaced and conditions were created that historically suppressed Black homeownership and wealth-building opportunities.

Mr. McDonnell cited the practice of providing communities with Certificates of Preference that were provided with the understanding that new housing would be built, and the communities would return, however it was noted there was never any intention to have the former residents return and they were being displaced.

Mr. McDonnell noted that over the years this practice has resulted in a decline of African American families in San Francisco. He reported reparations are needed to:

- Address structural institutional harm-
- Account for generations of unpaid debt to San Francisco's Black communities-
- Create a moral policy that centers and benefits Black communities-
- Provide a once-in-a-generation opportunity to close the Racial Wealth Gap-

Mr. McDonnell reported San Francisco stands at the center of history with reparations efforts and the work is being chronicled by Columbia University and Howard University. He reported the overall recommendations are:

- The City and County of San Francisco and its agencies should issue a formal apology for past harms, and commit to making substantial ongoing, systemic and programmatic investments in Black communities to address historical harms.
- The City and County of San Francisco should establish an independent Office of Reparations within the City to execute this plan. This Office must track implementation of the recommendations of the Reparations Plan and ensure the continued success of programs.
- The City and County of San Francisco must create and fund a committee of community stakeholders-such as a Reparations Stakeholder Authority or similar-to ensure equity and continuity in the implementation of relevant policy initiatives, independent of the City and County of San Francisco.

Mr. McDonnell said the Committee has suggested areas of economic empowerment, education, health, and public policy should be addressed immediately.

In closing Mr. McDonnell noted the Committee is relying on the community to be the voice of advocacy and hold The City accountable.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners:

Chair Murphy thanked Mr. McDonnell and the Reparations Committee for the work that was done, and she acknowledged some of the Commissioners had attended the Board of Supervisors meeting.

Commissioner Posey noted so many people were unaware of the policy changes that were taking place and he acknowledged there are obstacles. He asked Mr. McDonnell to keep the Commission aware of what they could do to help.

Public Comment: None.

11. SECC Interim Use Update: (Berry)

Larry Berry, SECC Deputy Director provided an update on the Interim Use Project which was formerly known as the Marketplace. The Department of Public Works landscape architect team has provided preliminary designs and is expecting feedback from the Commission and the community. The goal of the project is:

- Activate and program outdoor area at Newhall/Evans
- Provide space for regular markets and other local business activations
- Provide outdoor space for local community groups
- Provide features that support health and wellness
- Provide features that support environmental education
- Provide a place for community gathering
- Provide interim use until future construction of education building

Mr. Berry provided 3 conceptual designs.

Option 1 - "Light Court"

Option 2 - "Loop Train and Light Spine"

Option 3 - "Community Table"

After receiving information showing the differences in the three options Commissioners were asked to discuss their preferences. Mr. Berry said early 2025 was a possible date to begin construction.

Next steps will include another community meeting.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners:

Commissioners discussed their design preferences.

Commissioners had questions regarding the funding source.

- Staff responded funding for the design is through departmental add-backs and funding for the construction is under consideration.

Public Comment: None.

12. SECFC Executive Director's Report:

Director Pharr said the Resident Partner Organizations reporting period for the first quarter ended and all reports were submitted. The Fee Structure and Schedule for Reservations/Events will be considered for adoption by the SFPUC on December 12th. She advised the Access Program is open.

Director Pharr reported the SFPUC is recruiting for the position of Public Service Aide, this is an entry level position.

Installation has begun for the Headworks Facility Project and the temporary art mural on the Headworks construction fence has been completed.

Director Pharr said the structural work of the digester tanks of the Biosolids Digesters Facilities Project is underway.

The Director introduced Patrick Llamas who is responsible for the Center's social media.

Questions and Comments from Commissioners: None.

Public Comment: None.

13. Future Agenda Items Initiated by Commissioners:

Commissioners suggested inviting a representative from HR to provide information on the hiring application process.

The Commissioners were reminded to provide in writing the questions they have for the Communications Department in advance of their upcoming presentation.

14. Announcements:

Director Pharr announced the “Understanding Parkinson’s Disease In The Black Community” event at the Center on January 18th.

Commissioner Posey announced an event on December 9th.

Elise Washington, SECC Resident Partner Liaison, announced the Well-Being at Work Series.

Chair Murphy announced a gift-wrapping event on December 9th.

Commissioner Mezie announced a toy drive scheduled for December 20th.

15. Adjournment: Chair Murphy adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

The next meeting of the Southeast Community Facility Commission will be Wednesday, January 24, 2024.

Carla Vaughn, Commission Secretary