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June 14, 2017 Board Meeting

Agenda

- 1 Minutes: Reuben (5 minutes)
- 2 Welcome new board members Beverly Choe and Alex Sayde (5-10 minutes)
- 3 Rafael Mandelman, special guest running for supervisor (25-30 minutes)
- 4 Kantine @ 1906 Market Street: New Restaurant Presentation, Nichole Accettola and Joachim Majholm, special guests Re: <u>www.kantinesf.com</u> (20 minutes)
- 5 1726 Mission Street Project: Special Guests: Jody Knight, Luis Cuadra (BergDavis) and Stanley Saitowitz, architect Re: <u>http://www.saitowitz.com/work/1726-mission</u>/ (25-30 minutes)
- 6 Proposal to add the Arts to the MDNA Mission Statement (A revised draft mission statement will be sent to the board by Peter.) (20-30 minutes)
- 7 Proposal for a Special-use Arts District along Mission Street to counteract the current urban blight (Extension of item 6)
- 8 Walk SF update (Alex) (10 minutes)

Board Member Attendees

- Siamak Akhavan
- Patricia Algara
- Lucia Bogatay
- Barbara Choe
- Peter Lewis
- Jeff Pekrul
- Alex Sayde
- Shelagh Ross
- Marius Starkey

Meeting Notes

- 2-8-17 Meeting minutes approved
- Kantine restaurant
 - Nichole Accettola gave a presentation about her new restaurant that will be located at 1906 Market Street.
 - The space is next to the Orbit Room and currently occupied by a laundromat.



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- The restaurant will be open for breakfast and lunch, and serve cuisine inspired by Denmark and Copenhagen, where Nichole has lived.
- MDNA will vote on sending a letter endorsing her business.
- 1726 Mission Street
 - This condo building has been approved by the city Planning department and will be moving ahead.
 - It will be 66' tall, contain 40 units (one and two bedroom), 22 stacked car spaces and 73 bike stalls. 17% of the units will be priced BMR, onsite.
 - The design is very modern but an example of good modern design according to several board members who made comments.
 - The architecture firm asks for a letter of endorsement from MDNA.
- Raphael Mandelman
 - He will be running for the District 8 city supervisor seat in the next election.
 - Homelessness and the noticeable number of street people suffering from mental health issues are top priorities for residents of district 8. He has ideas that could help address them.
 - He will propose the idea of universal preschool.
 - He sees that there is a big problem of vacant buildings in this area. The Castro and Mission Dolores have 8 times more vacant commercial spaces than other city districts.
 - One idea he has to address vacant commercial spaces is to provide an accelerated permitting process for properties in areas with a high "retail misery index".
- Revised Mission Statement & support for the arts
 - We reviewed and approved Peter's new MDNA Mission Statement.
 - No nay votes.
 - Peter proposed the idea of maintaining a calendar of art events on the MDNA website. Jeff and Alex will meet to discuss this.
- Walk SF update
 - Alex reported on a Vision Zero project update at a recent city council meeting. We reviewed a recent Vision Zero document, which explains the vision, but is short on specifics on how they intend to reduce pedestrian and cyclist deaths to zero.
 - The board gave Alex several ideas that he will take back to the project, such as electronic signs that inform drivers how fast they are traveling.