MDNA Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 6:30 PM
65 Dorland (off Dolores), Room 406

Agenda and Minutes

1. Minutes (5 minutes) - Approved
2. American Indian Cultural District: April McGill, Executive Director, American Indian Cultural Center: April asked for our support to establish an American Indian Cultural District within the Mission Dolores Neighborhood. In doing so, she gave us a presentation about the importance of the Ohlone and Coastal Miwok Tribes in the area. The board then voted unanimously to support the district. We later voted by email to expand the boundaries to include Mission Dolores Park, since there used to be a Native American settlement there long before the European settlers had arrived. The BOS has since adopted the new district.
3. 240 Church Street Project, Jeremey Schaub, Principal Architect, Shaub/Ly Architects, Inc. The project sponsors presented a proposal for the demolition of 240 Church Street and construction of a new multi-story building. The MDNA then voted by email to oppose the project, since we considered it an historic resource and didn’t want the small businesses to be pushed out. We also discovered that the bakery housed in the building opposed the project, even though the project sponsor falsely claimed that they supported it.
4. Navigation Center: 33 Gough Street: Siamak and Peter reported that they had attended a presentation by the City to create a navigation center at this former City College Administration Building. In doing so,
they were told that the building would be restored and then used for treating the homeless. The board then voted unanimously to support the project.

5. Historic Survey, Context Statement, and District Update: Peter and Donna reported that they had met with Planning staff about our survey work. In doing so, they were told that Planning would be completing their updates to our historic context statement and proposing a series of historic districts. Yet the project was postponed until the following November due to the pandemic. The following November our land-use committee (Peter, Donna, and Lucia) met with Planning staff through Zoom. While we agreed with most of their edits to our context statement, we asked for more historic districts. In response, they told us that they would consider more districts in the fourth quarter of 2021.

6. Adjournment

Thank you.

Peter Lewis, President