1. Call to Order

Chair Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

Present: Bruce Agid, Andrew Brooks, Mark Garcia, Helen Han, Ted Olsson, Patrick Valentino, and Todd Williams.

As a quorum of eight (8) members had not been achieved, Item #2 “Approval of the September 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes” was postponed and Chair Brooks called for Item #3 “Staff Report” to be presented. A quorum was formed when D’Arcy Myjer, Pascale Soumoy, and Michael Freeman arrived at 5:46 p.m. during the Staff Report.

Absent: Jessica Lorenz, Sandra Padilla, Nathan Rapp, Joseph Scott, and Marla Wilson.
2. Approval of September 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Item was moved to #4 below due to lack of a quorum.

3. Staff Report

Scott Boule, TJPA Staff Liaison, presented the Staff Report. He welcomed new CAC member Patrick Valentino who replaces Jane Morrison in the San Francisco-Based Public Transit Advocate seat, praised Ms. Morrison for her invaluable service, and announced that Marla Wilson had been officially reappointed to the AC Transit Transbay Rider into San Francisco seat. His report included progress in small business outreach efforts, including a special announcement of the first public works project outreach event to be held specifically for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) community on September 26, 2013. He also reported a milestone has been reached in the completion of the site archeological work. He announced a site tour for CAC members is planned for October 9th and an update on Phase 2 will be presented at the November CAC meeting. He also introduced Mark Zabaneh as the new Senior Program Manager for the TJPA.

Ted Olsson asked who attended the LGBT event and Mr. Boule replied that it was a Bay Area wide event.

4. Approval of September 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Ted Olsson made a motion to approve the September 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes and the motion was seconded by Mark Garcia. A vote was called by voice and was unanimously approved.

5. Construction Update

Steve Rule, Turner Construction Company, presented the Construction Update.

D’Arcy Myjer asked for clarification of the term float and Bruce Agid asked how float is calculated. Mr. Rule replied that float is calculated for items not on the critical path and gave examples of how float is calculated. Mr. Agid asked if, based on a previous comment from Mr. Rule regarding the use of overtime and meeting the schedule, this overtime would be at the expense of the contractor or the project. Mr. Rule explained if a contractor falls behind, as a result of their own actions, they are expected to make up the time.

6. Overview of Proposed Community Benefit District

Neighborhood residents Katina Johnson and Lauren Post and MJM Management Group representatives Mary McCue and Jim Chappell provided the Overview of Proposed Community Benefit District (CBD) presentation and distributed a handout titled “The ABCs of CBDs. New parks are not maintained by the City and the City does not provide certain street maintenance such as clean sidewalks or graffiti removal.
Ted Olsson mentioned that he makes it a point to acknowledge and thank the individuals who clean in his CBD area and asked if having a CBD increases leverage with the City. Ms. Post replied it helps to have an advocate present who represents businesses and voters. The CBD will have a full time paid Director who will advocate for the CBD’s priorities.

Bruce Agid asked about the CBD’s proposed irregular boundaries and MJM explained that CBD’s are made up of full Assessor Parcels which are sometime irregular, CBD’s usually include both sides of a street, and additional anticipated CBDs are taken into consideration when planning boundaries.

Andrew Brooks asked about possible effects that a new Warriors’ Arena could have on the CBD and MJM clarified that the CBD will not have to pay to maintain the facility.

The primary benefit of parks on property value is for properties located within 500 feet of the park and therefore the CBD Steering Committee is proposing that assessments for properties within this area may be higher than those outside of it. There is some Infrastructure Financing District (IFD) money available for construction of a park in the southern portion of the proposed CBD, but it will not be released until a CBD is established to cover associated operations and maintenance costs. CBD assessments will be based on the proportion of benefits specific to the neighborhood relative to general regional benefits.

Jim Patrick, a member of the public, mentioned he felt that the maintenance cost for City Park should be built into bus tickets.

Chair Brooks asked who holds the title to improvement assets and about insurance. Jim Chappell replied that most CBD’s provide management oversight only and do not own title to assets. An example given is if a bike rack was installed on City property within the CBD, the bike rack would belong to the City and there would not be any trip and fall liability to the CBD.

7. Public Comment

None.

8. CAC Member Comments & Future Agenda Requests

None.

9. Adjourn

Chair Brooks adjourned the meeting at 7:15 pm.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2013.
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