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[General Obligation Bond Election - Health and Recovery - Not to Exceed \$487,500,000]

Ordinance calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City and County of San Francisco on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not-to-exceed \$487,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property, including: facilities to house and/or deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants under Administrative Code Chapter 37; providing for the levy and collection of taxes to pay both principal and interest on such Bonds; incorporating the provisions of the Administrative Code relating to the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee's review of Bond expenditures; setting certain procedures and requirements for the election; adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act; and finding that the proposed Bonds are in conformity with the General Plan, and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b).

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Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Findings.

1 A. According to the City and County of San Francisco ("City") Point-in-Time Count
2 conducted in January 2019, about 8,000 people experience homelessness in the City on any
3 given night, and over the course of an entire year, many more people experience
4 homelessness.

5 B. According to Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ("HSH")
6 records, in Fiscal Year 2018-2019, HSH served about 18,000 people experiencing
7 homelessness, and of those, 4,000 have a history of both mental health and substance use
8 disorders.

9 C. An estimated 24,500 people inject drugs in the City and recent data indicate that
10 39 percent of people who inject drugs in the City reported injecting methamphetamine.
11 Methamphetamine is increasingly being consumed in public spaces, and residents are more
12 regularly encountering individuals who present challenging psychosis-related behaviors or
13 experience moments of mental health crisis.

14 D. The City, through HSH, currently offers temporary shelter to approximately
15 3,400 people per night through shelters, Navigation Centers, stabilization beds, and
16 transitional housing -- 566 additional beds have opened since October 2018 and another 499
17 are in development -- but additional shelter beds are needed to match the waitlist for
18 individuals looking to access shelter.

19 E. The City administers locally and federally funded supportive housing to provide
20 long-term affordable housing with on-site social services to people exiting chronic
21 homelessness through a portfolio that includes renovated Single Room Occupancy hotels,
22 newly constructed units, and apartment buildings that operate under a master lease between
23 private property owners and the City ("Permanent Supportive Housing"), but the City does not
24 have a sufficient supply of Permanent Supportive Housing units to meet the demand.

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1 F. DPH provides behavioral health services in a number of settings and through a
2 number of different mechanisms including at existing facilities such as San Francisco General
3 Hospital, the Behavioral Health Access Center, Residential Care Facilities, community clinics,
4 and through contracts with nonprofit service providers.

5 G. When there is not enough capacity at any one level of care or facility, longer wait
6 times for services have a detrimental effect on the ability of people to heal and become
7 healthier, and the City has an inadequate number of beds to help those recovering from
8 substance use, mental health, or a dual diagnosis, with some residential care facilities having
9 wait lists of up to seven months as of 2019.

10 H. Limited state and federal resources and the high cost of construction put a
11 greater burden on local governments to contribute their own limited resources to produce
12 more facilities to serve those struggling with behavioral health and substance use disorders,
13 temporary shelters, and permanent supportive housing, and consequently the City's supply of
14 these resources has not kept pace with demand.

15 I. The proposed Health and Recovery Bond ("Bond") will provide a portion of the
16 critical funding necessary to acquire or improve real property, including transitional and
17 permanent supportive housing and shelters, and existing and potential new behavioral health
18 facilities and institutions.

19 J. On March 16, 2020, the Public Health Officers of six Bay Area counties jointly
20 issued a Shelter in Place Public Health Order to protect the health and well-being of Bay Area
21 residents in the face of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency ("Public Health Emergency").

22 K. The Public Health Emergency brought with it City unemployment levels
23 approaching 10% within three weeks of the first Shelter in Place Public Health Order and full
24 or partial job loss impacts on industries with an estimated 166,936 employees, creating an
25 urgent need to invest in projects that create jobs and support the City's economic recovery.

1 L. The City's most recent 10-year capital plan identifies a deferred maintenance
2 backlog of \$799 million for streets and General Fund facilities, and the Recreation and Parks
3 Department's more recent facilities condition assessment shows \$950 million in deferred
4 maintenance.

5 M. Infrastructure investment is a known and tested jobs stimulus strategy with a
6 strong multiplier effect, estimated at 5.93 jobs for every million dollars in construction
7 spending according to the REMI Policy Insight model.

8 N. Since 2005, the City has engaged in regular, long-term capital planning to
9 identify and advance shovel-ready projects that deliver improvements in line with adopted
10 funding principles that prioritize legal and regulatory mandates, life safety and resilience,
11 asset preservation and sustainability, programmatic and planned needs, and economic
12 development.

13 O. Parks, recreation facilities, open spaces, streets, curb ramps, street structures,
14 and plazas are all essential infrastructure for which the City is responsible and must maintain
15 a state of good repair for public health, safety, and equitable accessibility.

16 P. Parks, recreation facilities, and open spaces offer space to relax and enjoy
17 nature and places to play and exercise, increase residents' quality of life, support good mental
18 and physical health, and can help people deal with trauma or find comfort in a time of distress,
19 as a growing body of work shows that time spent outdoors in natural environments can help
20 lower stress, depression, anxiety, diabetes, risk of preterm birth, high blood pressure, asthma,
21 stroke, heart disease and other health improvements.

22 Q. During the Public Health Emergency, City residents have sought solace
23 and refuge in City parks and open spaces and heavily utilized these spaces for exercise
24 and as an alternative to private back yards, and more so in denser neighborhoods and in
25 Equity Zones.

1 R. During the Public Health Emergency, many of the City's recreation facilities
2 served as childcare centers for emergency and healthcare workers, helping to alleviate child
3 care concerns for these important professionals.

4 S. A recent survey by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) found
5 that eighty-three percent (83%) of American adults agree that visiting their local parks, trails
6 and open spaces is essential for their mental and physical well-being during the COVID-19
7 Emergency, and fifty nine percent (59%) said that access to these amenities is very or
8 extremely essential to their mental and physical health during this crisis.

9 T. Additionally, Urban agriculture provides proven benefits to San Franciscans by
10 connecting City residents to the broader food system, providing green space and recreation,
11 providing ecological benefits and green infrastructure, building community, and offering food
12 access, public health, and workforce development potential, in particular for low-income and
13 vulnerable communities; and

14 U. A park system as large and diverse as the City's -- over 220 parks spread over
15 3,400 acres, and containing 181 playgrounds, 82 recreation centers and clubhouses, 37
16 community gardens, 29 off-leash dog areas, 9 swimming pools, and numerous tennis courts,
17 ball fields, soccer fields, and other sports and athletic venues -- requires continued and
18 consistent investment to address dilapidated playgrounds, worn out playfields, run-down
19 buildings, and crumbling outdoor courts.

20 V. The City is responsible for the state of good repair of more than 1,200 miles of
21 streets, approximately 50,000 curb ramp locations, 371 street structures, and 9 plazas, which
22 are heavily used and have longstanding deferred maintenance needs.

23 W. Streets, curb ramps, street structures, and plazas connect people to jobs,
24 hospitals, shopping centers, and transit -- places that are vital to daily life -- and providing
25 smooth and pot-hole free streets and pedestrian right-of-way is essential to reducing the costs

1 of road-induced damage, preventing accidents for bicyclists and drivers, and creating safe
2 passage for pedestrians.

3 X. City staff have identified and planned several park, open space, and recreation
4 facilities improvement projects to address public safety hazards, improve waterfront access,
5 improve disabled access, enhance the condition of neighborhood and citywide park,
6 recreation, and open space facilities and lands, address deferred maintenance, support
7 population growth, enhance green infrastructure, improve climate resiliency and seismic
8 safety, ensure equitable access to high-quality open spaces, and other issues facing the
9 City's park system that can put people to work quickly and support local economic recovery.

10 Y. The Bond will provide a portion of the critical funding necessary to acquire or
11 improve real property, including to improve the safety and quality of neighborhood, citywide
12 and waterfront parks and open spaces and recreation facilities and urban agriculture sites
13 under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission.

14 Z. City staff have identified street repaving, curb ramp, street structures, and plaza
15 improvement programs to address public safety hazards, reduce the backlog of deferred
16 maintenance, improve disabled access, and equitably improve the public right-of-way that can
17 similarly put people to work quickly.

18 AA. The Bond will provide a portion of the funding necessary to acquire or improve
19 real property, including to improve access for the disabled and the condition of the City's
20 streets and other public right-of-way and related assets.

21 BB. City staff have identified a capital improvement need totaling \$487,500,000 in
22 projects and programs relating to acquiring or improving real property, including to stabilize,
23 improve, and make permanent investments in permanent and transitional supportive housing
24 facilities, shelters, and/or facilities that deliver services to persons experiencing mental health
25 challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; improve the safety and quality of

1 neighborhood, citywide, and waterfront parks and open spaces and recreation facilities under
2 the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission; and improve access for the disabled
3 and the condition of the City's streets and other public right-of-way and related assets (as
4 further defined in Section 3 below).

5 CC. The proposed Bond will allow the City to finance the acquisition or improvement
6 of the Project (as defined in Section 3 herein) in the most cost-effective manner possible.

7 DD. The proposed Bond is recommended by the City's 10-year capital plan,
8 approved each odd-numbered year by the Mayor of the City and this Board of Supervisors of
9 the City ("Board")

10 Section 2. A special election is called and ordered to be held in the City on Tuesday,
11 November 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the City a proposition to
12 incur bonded indebtedness of the City for the programs described in the amount and for the
13 purposes stated (herein collectively, "Project"):

14 "HEALTH AND RECOVERY BONDS. \$487,500,000 to acquire or improve real
15 property, including to: stabilize, improve, and make permanent investments in permanent and
16 transitional supportive housing facilities, shelters, and/or facilities that deliver services to
17 persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or
18 homelessness; improve the accessibility, safety and quality of parks, open spaces and
19 recreation facilities; improve the accessibility, safety and condition of the City's streets and
20 other public right-of-way and related assets; and to pay related costs; with a duration of up to
21 30 years from the time of issuance, an estimated average tax rate of \$0.014/\$100 of assessed
22 property value, and projected average annual revenues of \$40,000,000, all subject to
23 independent citizen oversight and regular audits; and authorizing landlords to pass-through to
24 residential tenants in units subject to Administrative Code Chapter 37 (the "Residential Rent
25 Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance") 50% of the increase in the real property taxes

1 attributable to the cost of the repayment of such Bonds.”

2 The special election called and ordered to be held hereby shall be referred to in this
3 ordinance as the "Bond Special Election."

4 Section 3. PROPOSED PROGRAM. Contractors and City departments shall
5 comply with all applicable City laws when awarding contracts or performing work funded with
6 the proceeds of Bonds authorized by this measure, including:

7 A. FACILITIES TO DELIVER SERVICES FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
8 MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES, SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER, AND/OR
9 HOMELESSNESS: \$207,000,000 of Bond proceeds will be allocated to acquire or improve
10 real property, including but not limited to finance the construction, acquisition, development,
11 improvement, expansion, rehabilitation, and preservation of priority behavioral health
12 investments such as permanent and transitional supportive housing units, shelters, locked
13 acute and sub-acute treatment facilities, psychiatric skilled nursing facilities, residential
14 treatment facilities, residential stepdown facilities, behavioral health respite facilities, detox
15 and sobering facilities, a new centralized Behavioral Health Access Center, existing
16 community health facilities that deliver behavioral health services to vulnerable populations,
17 and facilities for long-term placements such as board and care and other residential care.

18 B. PARK, OPEN SPACE, AND RECREATION FACILITIES: \$239,000,000 of Bond
19 proceeds will be allocated to acquire or improve real property, including but not limited to
20 finance the construction, acquisition, development, improvement, expansion, rehabilitation,
21 and preservation of neighborhood, citywide, and waterfront parks and open spaces and
22 recreation facilities and urban agriculture sites under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and
23 Park Commission.

24 This Bond finances both specific projects at specific locations and also sets up a
25 funding mechanism to be used for certain kinds of work where specific projects at specified

locations are not yet identified but will be proposed following a design and planning process. The Neighborhood Parks allotment includes identified projects located at India Basin, Gene Friend Recreation Center, Herz Playground Recreation Center, Buchanan Street Mall, and Japantown Peace Plaza. The proposed Park, Open Space and Recreation Facilities funding can be summarized as follows:

1.	Neighborhood Parks =	\$101,000,000
2.	Citywide Parks =	\$18,000,000
3.	Recovery Parks =	\$86,000,000
4.	Playgrounds =	\$9,000,000
5.	Sustainability =	\$14,000,000
6.	Community Opportunity Fund =	\$6,000,000
7.	Trails =	\$1,000,000
8.	Community Gardens =	\$600,000
9.	Contingency =	\$1,400,000
10.	Administration =	\$2,000,000
Total Bond Funding for Park, Open Space, and Recreation Facilities =		\$239,000,000

C. STREETS, CURB RAMPS, STREET STRUCTURES AND PLAZAS:

\$41,500,000 of Bond proceeds will be allocated to acquire or improve real property, including but not limited to finance the repaving and reconstruction of roads, the rehabilitation and seismic improvement of street structures and plazas, and the installation and renovation of curb ramps.

D. CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. A portion of Bond proceeds shall be used to perform audits of Bond expenditures implied by or necessary incident to the acquisition or improvement of real property for the Project, as further described in Section 4

1 and Section 16 herein.

2 Section 4. BOND ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES.

3 The Bonds shall include the following administrative rules and principles:

4 A. OVERSIGHT. The proposed Bond funds shall be subject to approval processes
5 and rules described in the San Francisco Charter and Administrative Code. Pursuant to
6 Administrative Code Section 5.31, the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight
7 Committee shall conduct an annual review of Bond spending, and shall provide an annual
8 report of the Bond program to the Mayor and the Board.

9 B. TRANSPARENCY. The City shall create and maintain a web page outlining and
10 describing the bond program, progress, and activity updates. The City shall also hold an
11 annual public hearing and review on the bond program and its implementation before the
12 Capital Planning Committee and the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee.

13 Section 5. The estimated cost of the bond-financed portion of the project described
14 in Section 2 above was fixed by the Board by the following resolution and in the amount
15 specified below:

16 Resolution No. _____, on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No.

17 200479 \$487,500,000.

18 Such resolution was passed by two-thirds or more of the Board and approved by the
19 Mayor. In such resolution it was recited and found by the Board that the sum of money
20 specified is too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of the City in
21 addition to the other annual expenses or other funds derived from taxes levied for those
22 purposes and will require expenditures greater than the amount allowed by the annual tax
23 levy.

24 The method and manner of payment of the estimated costs described in this ordinance
25 are by the issuance of Bonds by the City not exceeding the principal amount specified.

1 Such estimate of costs as set forth in such resolution is adopted and determined to be
2 the estimated cost of such bond-financed improvements and financing, respectively.

3 Section 6. The Bond Special Election shall be held and conducted and the votes
4 received and canvassed, and the returns made and the results ascertained, determined, and
5 declared as provided in this ordinance and in all particulars not recited in this ordinance such
6 election shall be held according to the laws of the State of California ("State") and the Charter
7 of the City ("Charter") and any regulations adopted under State law or the Charter, providing
8 for and governing elections in the City, and the polls for such election shall be and remain
9 open during the time required by such laws and regulations.

10 Section 7. The Bond Special Election is consolidated with the General Election
11 scheduled to be held in the City on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 ("General Election"). The
12 voting precincts, polling places, and officers of election for the General Election are hereby
13 adopted, established, designated, and named, respectively, as the voting precincts, polling
14 places, and officers of election for the Bond Special Election called, and reference is made to
15 the notice of election setting forth the voting precincts, polling places, and officers of election
16 for the General Election by the Director of Elections to be published in the official newspaper
17 of the City on the date required under the laws of the State.

18 Section 8. The ballots to be used at the Bond Special Election shall be the ballots to
19 be used at the General Election. The word limit for ballot propositions imposed by Municipal
20 Elections Code Section 510 is waived. On the ballots to be used at the Bond Special Election,
21 in addition to any other matter required by law to be printed thereon, shall appear the following
22 as a separate proposition:

23 "HEALTH AND RECOVERY BONDS. To finance the acquisition or improvement of
24 real property, including to: stabilize, improve, and make permanent investments in supportive
25 housing facilities, shelters, and/or facilities that deliver services to persons experiencing

1 mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; improve the
2 accessibility, safety and quality of parks, open spaces and recreation facilities; improve the
3 accessibility, safety and condition of the City's streets and other public right-of-way and
4 related assets; and to pay related costs; shall the City and County of San Francisco issue
5 \$487,500,000 in general obligation bonds with a duration of up to 30 years from the time of
6 issuance, an estimated average tax rate of \$0.014/\$100 of assessed property value, and
7 projected average annual revenues of \$40,000,000, subject to independent citizen oversight
8 and regular audits?"

9 The City's current debt management policy is to keep the property tax rate for City
10 general obligation bonds below the 2006 rate by issuing new bonds as older ones are retired
11 and the tax base grows, though this property tax rate may vary based on other factors.

12 Each voter to vote in favor of the foregoing bond proposition shall mark the ballot in the
13 location corresponding to a "YES" vote for the proposition, and to vote against the proposition
14 shall mark the ballot in the location corresponding to a "NO" vote for the proposition.

15 Section 9. If at the Bond Special Election it shall appear that two-thirds of all the
16 voters voting on the proposition voted in favor of and authorized the incurring of bonded
17 indebtedness for the purposes set forth in such proposition, then such proposition shall have
18 been accepted by the electors, and the Bonds authorized shall be issued upon the order of
19 the Board. Such Bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding that permitted by law.

20 The votes cast for and against the proposition shall be counted separately and when
21 two-thirds of the qualified electors, voting on the proposition, vote in favor, the proposition
22 shall be deemed adopted.

23 Section 10. The actual expenditure of Bond proceeds provided for in this ordinance
24 shall be net of financing costs.

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1 Section 11. For the purpose of paying the principal and interest on the Bonds, the
2 Board shall, at the time of fixing the general tax levy and in the manner for such general tax
3 levy provided, levy and collect annually each year until such Bonds are paid, or until there is a
4 sum in the Treasury of the City, or other account held on behalf of the Treasurer of the City,
5 set apart for that purpose to meet all sums coming due for the principal and interest on the
6 Bonds, a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on such Bonds as the same becomes due
7 and also such part of the principal thereof as shall become due before the proceeds of a tax
8 levied at the time for making the next general tax levy can be made available for the payment
9 of such principal.

10 Section 12. This ordinance shall be published in accordance with any State law
11 requirements, and such publication shall constitute notice of the Bond Special Election and no
12 other notice of the Bond Special Election hereby called need be given.

13 Section 13. The Board, having reviewed the proposed legislation, makes the following
14 findings in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), California
15 Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq., the CEQA Guidelines, 15 Cal. Administrative
16 Code, Sections 15000 et seq., ("CEQA Guidelines"), and San Francisco Administrative Code,
17 Chapter 31. The Board, finds, affirms and declares:

18 A. FACILITIES TO DELIVER SERVICES FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
19 MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES, SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER, AND/OR

20 HOMELESSNESS: The proposed funding described in Section 3A of this Ordinance is
21 excluded from CEQA because such funding is not defined as a "project" under CEQA
22 Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), but is the creation of a government funding mechanism that
23 does not involve any commitment to any specific projects at any specific locations.

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1 B. PARK, OPEN SPACE, AND RECREATION FACILITIES

2 (i) For the improvements to the India Basin Open Space (as defined in Section
3 3B of this ordinance), the Board of Supervisors, in Motion No. 18-136, affirmed certification of
4 the India Basin Mixed-Use Project Final Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse
5 Number 2016062003) and, in Ordinance No. 252-18, adopted findings under CEQA related to
6 approvals in furtherance of the project and Development Agreement, including adoption of a
7 Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program ("MMRP"), and a Statement of Overriding
8 Considerations. The Planning Department determined that no further environmental review for
9 this proposal is required because there are no changes to the approved Project or its
10 surrounding circumstances that would necessitate additional environmental review, for the
11 reasons set forth in its Memorandum dated June 19, 2020. The findings contained in
12 Ordinance No. 258-18, including the MMRP, and the Planning Department Memorandum
13 dated June 19, 2020, are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance as though fully set forth
14 herein. For purposes of this Ordinance, the Board relies on said actions and their supporting
15 documents, copies of which are in Board of Supervisors File Nos. 180842 and 180681 and
16 incorporates these documents by reference;

17 (ii) Four other Neighborhood Park projects, the Gene Friend Recreation Center,
18 the Herz Playground Recreational Center, Buchanan Street Mall, and the Japantown Peace
19 Plaza, each have been determined to be categorically exempt under CEQA. The separate
20 projects located at the Gene Friend Recreation Center and the Herz Recreational Center were
21 each determined to be exempt as Category 32 exemptions for Infill Development Projects,
22 and the separate projects located at the Buchanan Street Mall and the Japantown Peace
23 Plaza were each determined to be exempt as a Category 1 exemption as a minor alteration to
24 an existing facility, with Buchanan Street Mall also determined to be exempt as a Category 4
25 exemption as a minor alteration to existing land, as set forth in the Planning Department's

1 memorandum dated June 19, 2020, which determinations are hereby affirmed and adopted by
2 this Board for the reasons set forth in the Planning Department's Memorandum dated June
3 19, 2020; and

4 (iii) The remaining proposed Parks, Open Space and Recreation Facilities
5 funding identified in Section 3B2 to 3B10 (the "Program Funding") is excluded from CEQA
6 because the Program Funding is not defined as a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section
7 15378(b)(4), but is the creation of a government funding mechanism that does not involve any
8 commitment to any specific projects at any specific locations.

9 C. STREETS, CURB RAMPS, STREET STRUCTURES AND PLAZAS: The
10 proposed funding described in Section 3C of this Ordinance is excluded from CEQA because
11 such funding is not defined as a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), but is
12 the creation of a government funding mechanism that does not involve any commitment to
13 any specific projects at any specific locations.

14 D. CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE: The funding described in Section 3D of
15 this Ordinance is excluded from CEQA because the funding is not defined as a "project" under
16 CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5), but is organizational activity that does not result in a
17 direct or indirect impact on the environment.

18 Section 14. The Board finds and declares that the proposed Bonds (a) were referred
19 to the Planning Department in accordance with Section 4.105 of the San Francisco Charter
20 and Section 2A.53(f) of the Administrative Code, (b) are in conformity with the priority policies
21 of Section 101.1(b) of the San Francisco Planning Code, and (c) are consistent with the City's
22 General Plan, and adopts the findings of the Planning Department, as set forth in the General
23 Plan Referral Report dated May 15, 2020, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the
24 Board in File No. 200478 and incorporates such findings by this reference.

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1 Section 15. Under Section 53410 of the California Government Code, the Bonds shall
2 be for the specific purpose authorized in this ordinance and the proceeds of such Bonds will
3 be applied only for such specific purpose. The City will comply with the requirements of
4 Sections 53410(c) and 53410(d) of the California Government Code.

5 Section 16. The Bonds are subject to, and incorporate by reference, the applicable
6 provisions of Administrative Code Sections 5.30-5.36 (the "Citizens' General Obligation Bond
7 Oversight Committee"). Under Administrative Code Section 5.31, to the extent permitted by
8 law, 0.1% of the gross proceeds of the Bonds shall be deposited in a fund established by the
9 Controller's Office and appropriated by the Board of Supervisors at the direction of the
10 Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee to cover the costs of such committee.

11 Section 17. The time requirements specified in Administrative Code Section 2.34 are
12 waived.

13 Section 18. The City hereby declares its official intent to reimburse prior expenditures
14 of the City incurred or expected to be incurred prior to the issuance and sale of any series of
15 the Bonds in connection with the Project. The Board hereby declares the City's intent to
16 reimburse the City with the proceeds of the Bonds for expenditures with respect to the Project
17 (the "Expenditures" and each, an "Expenditure") made on and after that date that is no more
18 than 60 days prior to the passage of this ordinance. The City reasonably expects on the date
19 hereof that it will reimburse the Expenditures with the proceeds of the Bonds.

20 Each Expenditure was and will be either (a) of a type properly chargeable to a capital
21 account under general federal income tax principles (determined in each case as of the date
22 of the Expenditure), (b) a cost of issuance with respect to the Bonds, or (c) a nonrecurring
23 item that is not customarily payable from current revenues. The maximum aggregate principal
24 amount of the Bonds expected to be issued for the Project is \$487,500,000. The City shall
25 make a reimbursement allocation, which is a written allocation by the City that evidences the

1 City's use of proceeds of the applicable series of Bonds to reimburse an Expenditure, no later
2 than 18 months after the later of the date on which the Expenditure is paid or the related
3 portion of the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than three years
4 after the date on which the Expenditure is paid. The City recognizes that exceptions are
5 available for certain "preliminary expenditures," costs of issuance, certain de minimis
6 amounts, expenditures by "small issuers" (based on the year of issuance and not the year of
7 expenditure) and Expenditures for construction projects of at least five years.

8 Section 19. Landlords may pass through to residential tenants under the Residential
9 Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance (Administrative Code Chapter 37) 50% of any
10 property tax increase that may result from the issuance of Bonds authorized by this ordinance.
11 The City may enact ordinances authorizing tenants to seek waivers from the pass-through
12 based on financial hardship.

13 Section 20. The appropriate officers, employees, representatives, and agents of the
14 City are hereby authorized and directed to do everything necessary or desirable to accomplish
15 the calling and holding of the Bond Special Election, and to otherwise carry out the provisions
16 of this ordinance.

17 Section 21. Documents referenced in this ordinance are on file with the Clerk of the
18 Board of Supervisors in File No. 200478, which is hereby declared to be a part of this
19 ordinance as if set forth fully herein.

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21 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
22 DENNIS J. HERRERA,
City Attorney

23 By: /s/ Kenneth David Roux
24 KENNETH DAVID ROUX
25 Deputy City Attorney

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[General Obligation Bond Election - Health and Recovery - Not to Exceed \$487,500,000]

Ordinance calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City and County of San Francisco on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not-to-exceed \$487,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property, including: facilities to house and/or deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants under Administrative Code Chapter 37; providing for the levy and collection of taxes to pay both principal and interest on such Bonds; incorporating the provisions of the Administrative Code relating to the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee's review of Bond expenditures; setting certain procedures and requirements for the election; adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act; and finding that the proposed Bonds are in conformity with the General Plan, and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b).

Existing Law

General Obligation Bonds of the City and County of San Francisco may be issued only with the assent of two-thirds of the voters voting on the proposition.

Ballot Proposition

This ordinance authorizes the following ballot proposition to be placed on the November 3, 2020 ballot:

"HEALTH AND RECOVERY BONDS. \$487,500,000 to acquire or improve real property, including to: stabilize, improve, and make permanent investments in permanent and transitional supportive housing facilities, shelters, and/or facilities that deliver services to persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; improve the accessibility, safety and quality of parks, open spaces and recreation facilities; improve the accessibility, safety and condition of the City's streets and other public right-of-way and related assets; and to pay related costs; with a duration of up to 30 years from the time of issuance, an estimated average tax rate of \$0.014/\$100 of assessed property value, and projected average annual revenues of \$40,000,000, all subject to independent citizen oversight and regular audits; and authorizing landlords to pass-through to residential tenants in units subject to Administrative Code Chapter 37 (the "Residential Rent Stabilization and

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Arbitration Ordinance") 50% of the increase in the real property taxes attributable to the cost of the repayment of such Bonds."

The ordinance fixes the maximum rate of interest on the Bonds, and provides for a levy and collection of taxes to repay both the principal and interest on the Bonds. The ordinance also describes the manner in which the Bond Special Election will be held, and the ordinance provides for compliance with applicable state and local laws. The proposed ordinance includes accountability and transparency measures.

The ordinance allows landlords to pass through to residential tenants 50% of any property tax increase to tenants under the under the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance, and authorizes the Board of Supervisors' to adopt future ordinances authorizing tenants to seek waivers from the pass-through based on financial hardship.

Background Information

Limited state and federal resources and the high cost of construction put a greater burden on local governments to contribute their own limited resources to produce more facilities to serve those struggling with behavioral health and substance use disorders, temporary shelters, and permanent supportive housing, and consequently the City and County of San Francisco's ("City's") supply of these resources has not kept pace with demand. The COV-19 Public Health Emergency brought with it City unemployment levels approaching 10% within three weeks of the first Shelter in Place Public Health Order and full or partial job loss impacts on industries with an estimated 166,936 employees, creating an urgent need to invest in projects that create jobs and support the City's economic recovery. The City's most recent 10-year capital plan identifies a deferred maintenance backlog of \$799 million for streets and General Fund facilities, and the Recreation and Parks Department's more recent facilities condition assessment shows \$950 million in deferred maintenance.

The proposed Health and Recovery Bond ("Bond") will provide a portion of the critical funding necessary to acquire or improve real property, including permanent supportive housing and shelters, and existing and potential new behavioral health facilities and institutions. The Bond will also provide a portion of the critical funding necessary to acquire or improve real property, including to improve the safety and quality of neighborhood, citywide and waterfront parks and open spaces and recreation facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Finally, the Bond will provide a portion of the funding necessary to acquire or improve real property, including to improve access for the disabled and the condition of the City's streets and other public right-of-way and related assets.

The Board of Supervisors found that the amount of money specified for this project is and will be too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of the City, and will require expenditures greater than the amount allowed therefor by the annual tax levy.

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Ms. Angela Calvillo
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July 6, 2020

RE: File 200478 – Ordinance authorizing \$487.5 Million General Obligation Bond Issuance for Health and Recovery

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Should the proposed \$487.5 million in bonds be authorized and sold under current assumptions, the approximate costs will be as follows:

- a) In fiscal year (FY) 2021-2022, following issuance of the first series of bonds, and the year with the lowest tax rate, the best estimate of the tax required to fund this bond issue would result in a property tax rate of \$0.00095 per \$100 (\$0.95 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
- b) In FY 2029-2030, following issuance of the last series of bonds, and the year with the highest tax rate, the best estimate of the tax required to fund this bond issue would result in a property tax rate of \$0.01402 per \$100 (\$14.02 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
- c) The best estimate of the average tax rate for these bonds from FY 2021-2022 through FY 2052-2053 is \$0.01066 per \$100 (\$10.66 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
- d) Based on these estimates, the highest estimated annual property tax cost for these bonds for the owner of a home with an assessed value of \$600,000 would be approximately \$83.13.

The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all proposed \$487.5 million in bonds are issued and sold, would be approximately \$960 million. These estimates are based on projections only, which are not binding upon the City. Projections and estimates may vary due to the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold at each sale, and actual assessed valuation over the term of repayment of the bonds. Hence, the actual tax rate and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those estimated above. The City's current non-binding debt management policy is to keep the property tax rate for City general obligation bonds below the 2006 rate by issuing new bonds as older ones are retired and the tax base grows, though this property tax rate may vary based on other factors.

Sincerely,

Natasha Mihal

FOR Ben Rosenfield
Controller

Note: This analysis reflects our understanding of the proposal as of the date shown. At times further information is provided to us which may result in revisions being made to this analysis before the final Controller's statement appears in the Voter Information Pamphlet.



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June 24, 2020

RE: File 200478 – Ordinance authorizing \$438.5 Million General Obligation Bond Issuance for Health and Recovery

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Should the proposed \$438.5 million in bonds be authorized and sold under current assumptions, the approximate costs will be as follows:

- a) In fiscal year (FY) 2020-2021, following issuance of the first series of bonds, and the year with the lowest tax rate, the best estimate of the tax required to fund this bond issue would result in a property tax rate of \$0.00138 per \$100 (\$1.38 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
- b) In FY 2040-2041, following issuance of the last series of bonds, and the year with the highest tax rate, the best estimate of the tax required to fund this bond issue would result in a property tax rate of \$0.01244 per \$100 (\$12.44 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
- c) The best estimate of the average tax rate for these bonds from FY 2020-2021 through FY 2048-2049 is \$0.01043 per \$100 (\$10.43 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
- d) Based on these estimates, the highest estimated annual property tax cost for these bonds for the owner of a home with an assessed value of \$600,000 would be approximately \$73.78.

The best estimate of total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all proposed \$438.5 million in bonds are issued and sold, would be approximately \$851 million. These estimates are based on projections only, which are not binding upon the City. Projections and estimates may vary due to the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold at each sale, and actual assessed valuation over the term of repayment of the bonds. Hence, the actual tax rate and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those estimated above. The City's current non-binding debt management policy is to keep the property tax rate for City general obligation bonds below the 2006 rate by issuing new bonds as older ones are retired and the tax base grows, though this property tax rate may vary based on other factors.

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SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

MEMO

DATE: June 19, 2020
TO: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Joy Navarrete, Principal Environmental Planner
RE: CEQA Determination for
BOS File Nos. 200478 and 200279, General Obligation
Bond Election - Health and Recovery - Not to Exceed
\$438,500,000

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As explained below, the Planning Department finds that Mayor London N. Breed's introduction of BOS File Nos. 200478 and 200279 for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not to exceed \$438,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property for the November 3, 2020, Election, are covered under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as follows:

FACILITIES TO DELIVER SERVICES FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES, SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER, AND/OR HOMELESSNESS: The proposed funding described in Section 3A of the Ordinance is excluded from CEQA because such funding is not defined as a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), but is the creation of a government funding mechanism that does not involve any commitment to any specific projects at any specific locations.

PARK, OPEN SPACE, AND RECREATION FACILITIES:

For the improvements to the India Basin Open Space (as defined in Section 3B of the ordinance), the Board of Supervisors, in Motion No. 18-136, affirmed certification of the India Basin Mixed-Use Project Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) (State Clearinghouse Number 2016062003) and, in Ordinance No. 252-18, adopted findings under CEQA related to approvals in furtherance of the project and Development Agreement, including adoption of a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program ("MMRP"), and a Statement of Overriding Considerations. The proposed funding would implement the project as previously described and evaluated in the FEIR. Therefore, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15162, the Planning Department hereby determines that no further environmental review for this proposal is required because there are no changes to the approved Project or its surrounding circumstances that would necessitate additional environmental review.

Four other Neighborhood Park projects, the Gene Friend Recreation Center (2018-012920ENV), the Herz Playground Recreational Center (2019-022397ENV), Buchanan Street Mall (2019-020014ENV), and the Japantown Peace Plaza (2019-000895ENV), each have been determined to be categorically exempt under CEQA.

The separate projects located at the Gene Friend Recreation Center and the Herz Recreational Center were each determined to be exempt as Category 32 exemptions for Infill Development Projects, and the separate projects located at the Buchanan Street Mall and the Japantown Peace Plaza were each determined to be exempt as a Category 1 exemption as a minor alteration to an existing facility, with Buchanan Street Mall also determined to be exempt as a Category 4 exemption as a minor alteration to existing land. The Planning Department hereby determines that no further environmental review for these four projects is required because there are no changes to the projects or their respective surrounding circumstances that would necessitate additional environmental review.

The remaining proposed Parks, Open Space and Recreation Facilities funding identified in Section 3B2 to 3B10 (the "Program Funding") would provide funding for: Citywide Parks, such as McLaren Park (including adjacent parks), Golden Gate Park, Lake Merced or other city parks; Recovery Parks, including Crocker Amazon and Buena Vista parks; Playground improvements; Sustainability efforts; creation of Community Opportunity Fund; Mini parks; Trail improvements; Community Gardens; creation of a Contingency Fund; and Administrative efforts. None of the identified funding would involve a commitment of the Bond proceeds to a particular project at a particular site. Instead, the Program Funding provides a financing mechanism to fund potential projects that would fall within these programs. Specific projects would be identified, reviewed, approved and funded under these programs after the Bond is passed.

The Planning Department has determined the Program Funding itself is excluded from CEQA because it is the creation of a government funding mechanism that does not involve any commitment to any specific projects at any specific locations and is not defined as a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4)..

STREETS, CURB RAMPS, STREET STRUCTURES AND PLAZAS: The proposed funding described in Section 3C of the Ordinance is excluded from CEQA because such funding is not defined as a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), but is the creation of a government funding mechanism that does not involve any commitment to any specific projects at any specific locations.

CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE: The funding described in Section 3D of the Ordinance is excluded from CEQA because the funding is not defined as a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5), but is organizational activity that does not result in a direct or indirect impact on the environment.



SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

General Plan Referral

Date: May 15, 2020

Case: 2020-004910GPR

Block/Lot No.: Various, Citywide

Project Sponsor: Naomi Kelly
Office of the City Administrator
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Staff Contact: Jessica Look – (415) 575-6812
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Recommendation: Finding the proposed General Obligation Bond, on balance, in conformity with the General Plan.

Recommended Rich Hillis
Rich Hillis (May 19, 2020 11:45 PDT)

By: Rich Hillis, Director of Planning

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City and County of San Francisco is proposing a \$438.5 million Health and Recovery Bond for the November 2020 ballot. The purpose of the Bond is to fund investments in public facilities that serve people experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; safe and accessible parks, recreation facilities and open spaces, and essential public infrastructure, including streets, curb ramps and the pedestrian right of way.

The 2020 Health and Recovery Bond proposes three categories of investments, each with a different budget amount. Please see table below.

Table 1: Bond Components and Budget Amount

Program Categories	General Obligation Fund
Invest in facilities that provide treatment and permanent supportive housing for people experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness.	\$197 million
Build and improve safe and accessible parks, recreation facilities, and open spaces throughout the City with shovel-ready projects and programs.	\$200 million
Invest in shovel-ready public infrastructure projects including street resurfacing and the construction and maintenance of curb ramps, street structures, and the pedestrian right of way.	\$41.5 million
TOTAL	\$438.5 million

Individual projects funded by the bond program may require additional project level analysis and review -possibly including General Plan Referrals - by the Planning Department as they are identified.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The General Obligation Bond is not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

GENERAL PLAN COMPLIANCE AND BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The proposed Health and Recovery Bond to invest in the City's most at-risk Citizens, and improve parks, open spaces and public right-of-ways is, on balance, **in conformity** with the General Plan, as described in the body of this Report. If the Bond is approved and funds become available, **some projects may require project-level General Plan referrals**, as required by San Francisco Charter §4.105 and § 2A.53 of the Administrative Code, Environmental Review and/or other discretionary actions by the Planning Department.

Note: General Plan Objectives are shown in **BOLD UPPER CASE** font; Policies are in **Bold** font; staff comments are in *italic* font.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 7

DISTRIBUTION THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF DISTRICT PUBLIC HEALTH CENTERS TO MAKE THE EDUCATIONAL AND PREVENTIVE SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH CONVENIENT TO THE PEOPLE, THEREBY HELPING TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM IN SAN FRANCISCO

Comment: The Bond includes funding for community health centers, including Chinatown Public Health Center which is located in the one of the densest parts of our City. The goal is that patients can be treated safely and properly with improvements such as additional counseling and examination rooms, upgraded labs and nursing stations and earthquake-safety improvements. District health centers, such as Chinatown Public Health Center, are located to suit the public need and are important in achieving the City's General Plan goals.

HOUSING ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 6

REDUCE HOMELESSNESS AND THE RISK OF HOMELESSNESS.

POLICY 6.1

Prioritize permanent housing and service enriched solutions while pursuing both short- and long-term strategies to eliminate homelessness.

POLICY 6.3

Aggressively pursue other strategies to prevent homelessness and the risk of homelessness by addressing its contributory factors

POLICY 6.4

Improve coordination among emergency assistance efforts, existing shelter programs, and health care outreach services.

Comment: The Bond includes investments in mental health and substance use disorder treatment facilities and permanent supportive housing and shelters for the homeless. This aims to have the greatest positive impact on our City and be sustainably operable with projected available sources.

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 1

ENSURE A WELL-MAINTAINED, HIGHLY UTILIZED, AND INTEGRATED OPEN SPACE SYSTEM

POLICY 1.2

Prioritize renovation in highly-utilized open spaces and recreational facilities and in high needs areas.

POLICY 1.4

Maintain and repair recreational facilities and open spaces to modern maintenance standards.

POLICY 1.5

Prioritize the better utilization of McLaren Park, Ocean Beach, the Southeastern Waterfront and other underutilized significant open spaces.

POLICY 1.8

Support urban agriculture and local food security through development of policies and programs that encourage food production throughout San Francisco.

Comment: The proposed Bond, if approved, would provide resources to address capital needs in the City's park system. This includes investments in neighborhood parks, recreation centers and waterfront parks; citywide parks, such as McLaren Park; sustainability investments, including shoreline protection, forestry and water conservation; and community investments in priority recovery parks, failing playgrounds, the Community Opportunity Fund, mini parks, community gardens and trails.

TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

OBJECTIVE 24

IMPROVE THE AMBIENCE OF THE PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT.

POLICY 24.2

Maintain and expand the planting of street trees and the infrastructure to support them.

POLICY 24.7

Ensure safe pedestrian crossings at signaled intersection

POLICY 24.9

Implement the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act

Comment: The proposed Bond, if approved, would provide resources to address capital needs in the City's streets and right-of-way. This includes funding for projects with the following scopes intended to preserve and improve civic infrastructure within the City's right-of-way, such as construction of new ADA-compliant curb ramps and minor construction for streetscape features such as trees, planting areas and lighting.

PROPOSITION M FINDINGS – PLANNING CODE SECTION 101.1

Planning Code Section 101.1 establishes Eight Priority Policies and requires review of discretionary approvals and permits for consistency with said policies. The Project, the proposed \$300,000,000 General Obligation Bond for affordable housing proposed to be placed on the November 2015 ballot, is found to be consistent with the Eight Priority Policies as set forth in Planning Code Section 101.1 for the following reasons:

Eight Priority Policies Findings

The subject project is found to be consistent with the Eight Priority Policies of Planning Code Section 101.1 in that:

1. That existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and future opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses enhanced.

The project will not displace or restrict access to any existing neighborhood-serving or restrict future opportunities. It may provide additional opportunities for resident employment and support to neighborhood serving uses.

2. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhood.

The project will not affect existing housing or neighborhood character. It will however provide amenities such as improved health care facilities, maintained parks and open spaces and functional streets.

3. That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced.

The project will not convert any existing affordable housing to non-residential use.

4. That commuter traffic not impede MUNI transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking.

The proposed project will not impede Muni transit service, nor overburden our streets or neighborhood parking.

5. That a diverse economic base be maintained by protecting our industrial and service sectors from displacement due to commercial office development, and that future opportunities for residential employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced.

The project will not displace any individual businesses.

6. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake.

The proposed project will not hinder earthquake preparedness efforts. Further, any new construction supported by proceeds from the Bond will be up to current seismic and safety codes and standards.

7. That landmarks and historic buildings be preserved.

The project would not have an adverse effect on landmarks or historic buildings. For any RPD proposed alterations, projects have been reviewed by the Planning Department's Environmental Review staff. In addition, historic materials in the right-of-way are protected by DPW Order 201,95, and any repair and maintenance to facilities that constitute historic resources will be conducted in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for rehabilitation.

8. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development.

The project will not impact parks and open spaces. If the Bond is passed, it will maintain and enhance parks and open space.

RECOMMENDATION:

**Finding the General Obligation Bond, on balance,
in-conformity with the General Plan**

If approved, the following types of projects funded by the Bond should be referred to the Planning Department to determine whether they require separate General Plan Referral(s), pursuant to Section 4.105 of the Charter and Sections 2A.52 and 2A.53 of the Administrative Code or other authorization:

- Demolition of buildings / structures
- Construction of new buildings / structures
- Additions to existing structures (enlargement)






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2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond





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2020 HEALTH AND RECOVERY BOND OVERVIEW

The City and County of San Francisco is proposing a \$487.5 million Health and Recovery Bond for the November 2020 ballot to fund investments in public facilities that serve people experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; safe, accessible parks, recreation facilities and open spaces throughout the City, and essential public infrastructure, including streets, curb ramps and the pedestrian right of way.

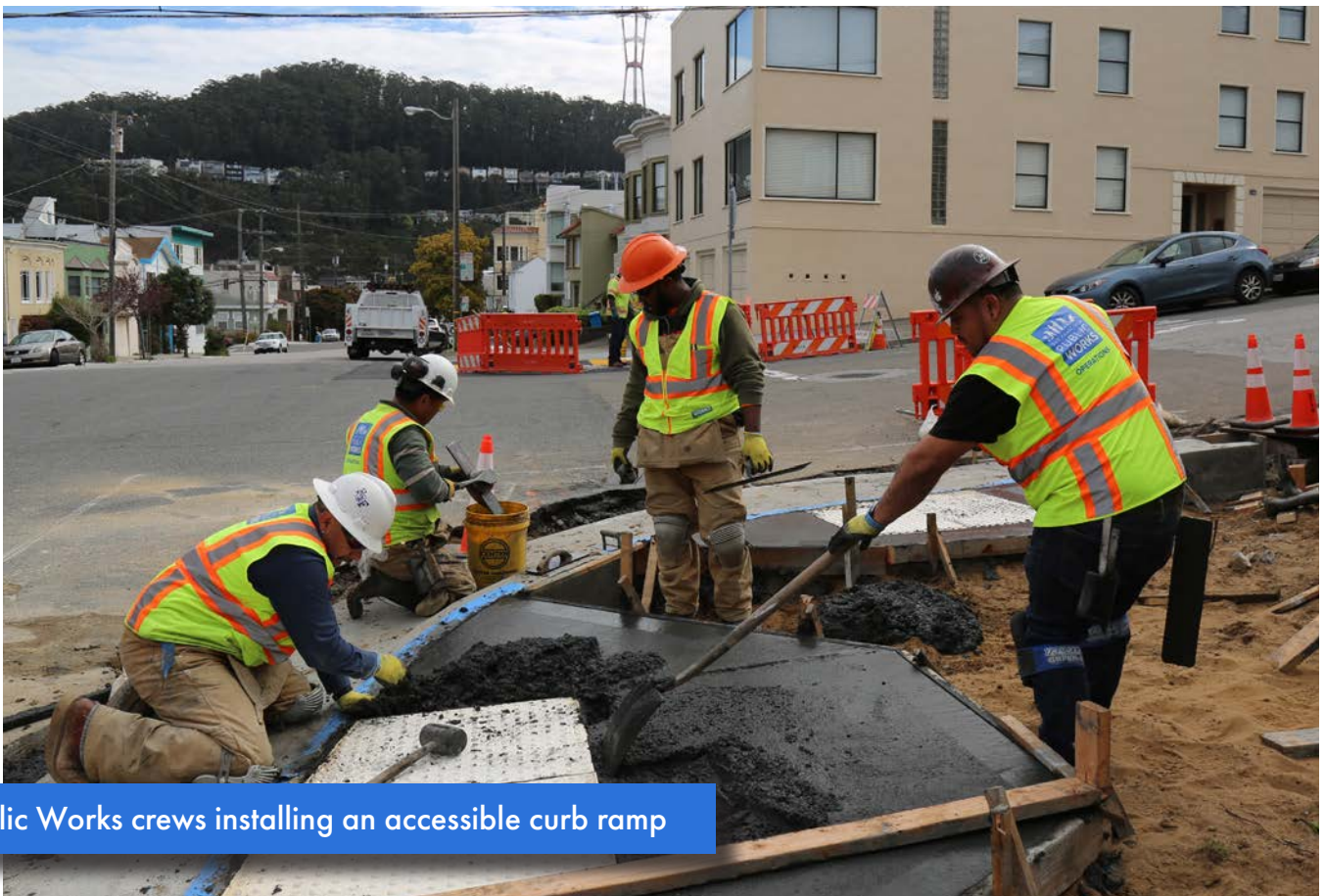
The 2020 Health and Recovery bond consists of the following program components:

BOND COMPONENT	BUDGET
Invest in facilities that provide treatment, shelter, permanent supportive and transitional housing for people experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder and/or homelessness.	\$207 million
Build and improve safe and accessible parks, recreation facilities, and open spaces throughout the City with shovel-ready projects and programs.	\$239 million
Invest in shovel-ready public infrastructure projects including street resurfacing and the construction and maintenance of curb ramps, street structures and the pedestrian right-of-way.	\$41.5 million
Total	\$487.5 million

San Francisco's current policy is to issue new general obligation bonds after previously issued bonds are retired and/or the tax base grows, as described in the 10-year Capital Plan. As this bond is in line with the most recently updated Capital Plan, property taxes levied for general obligation bonds including this bond, if approved by the voters and issued by the Mayor and Board, are expected to be maintained at or below the Fiscal Year 2006 rate.



Balboa Playground in the Mission Terrace neighborhood



Public Works crews installing an accessible curb ramp

WHY NOW?

Addressing Our Highest Priorities

Too many people in San Francisco struggle with substance use disorder, mental health challenges and homelessness. The crisis on our streets is unacceptable and inhumane. The Department of Public Health (DPH) has identified 4,000 residents experiencing all three – homelessness, substance use disorder and mental health challenges – and helping these individuals is one of San Francisco’s most urgent responsibilities.

San Francisco needs a coordinated, citywide approach to serving this at-risk population. In many instances, those who are struggling with mental and behavioral health challenges do not understand what’s happening around them and need intensive support to get the medical attention and care they need in a high-quality, safe and healing environment. There is a need to open more shelter beds, protect residential board and care facilities and pursue innovative solutions for treatment. Doing so will expand care and services for those most acutely suffering. If we don’t act now, that number will continue to rise.

The urgency of San Francisco’s mental health and homelessness crises is well known, and City leadership is committed to using all available tools, including bonds, to make meaningful progress.



San Francisco has an average of 8,000 homeless residents on any given night.



Building Recovery

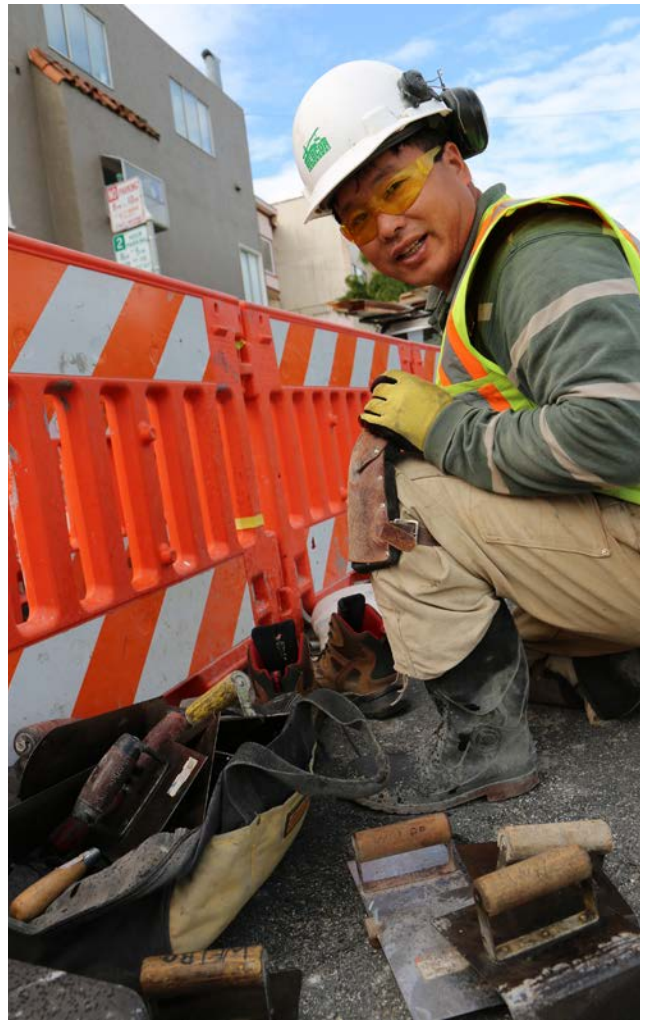
With the COVID-19 public health emergency, San Francisco's economic outlook changed dramatically. Almost overnight, San Francisco saw revenue drop and unemployment spike as we followed public health orders to shelter in place. The shelter in place orders protected San Franciscans and the City's health care system from an unmanageable early surge in hospitalizations. Though necessary and lifesaving, that call also disrupted local business and workers, with nearly 167,000 people experiencing a direct financial hit, either completely or partially, in the immediate wake of the COVID-19 public health emergency. San Francisco's unemployment filings spiked dramatically in March and April, with more than 70,000 cases in the five weeks following the first public health order. Recovery is expected to be gradual and phased, but people need work. Large capital projects serve as an engine for growth and create local jobs that will help jumpstart San Francisco's economy – while also benefitting the over public good.

Since 2005, San Francisco has engaged in citywide capital planning, which keeps the City looking ahead, planning for future needs and advancing public infrastructure projects towards construction. From that ongoing work, San Francisco has shovel-ready parks projects and street infrastructure improvement programs that can get people working again. A recent condition assessment of the City's parks revealed more than \$1 billion in capital needs, and the most recent Capital Plan shows a deferred need for streets and other right-of-way infrastructure of \$614 million. These are the areas of our public capital portfolio where we can spend the most money quickly and best help get San Francisco back to work.

This will not be the first time San Francisco issued General Obligations (G.O.) Bonds in the face of a major economic downturn. Looking back at the Great Recession that began in 2008, San Francisco voters approved four G.O. Bonds that helped San Francisco build and recover. Of the total voter-approved amounts, \$1.4 billion in bond proceeds were sold from Fiscal Year 2007-2008 to Fiscal Year 2012-2013, creating an estimated 9,500 jobs.

YEAR	G.O. BOND	AMOUNT
2008	Clean and Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond	\$185 million
2008	San Francisco General Hospital Trauma Center Rebuild	\$887 million
2010	Earthquake Safety and Emergency Response	\$412 million
2011	Road Paving and Street Safety	\$248 million
Total		\$1.732 billion

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THE 2020 HEALTH AND RECOVERY GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM

Health and Homelessness

Parks and Open Spaces

Right-of-Way Repair

Health and Homelessness

Background

To address the twin challenges of mental illness and homelessness, San Francisco proposes \$207 million of this General Obligation Bond to acquire, improve, construct, expand, rehabilitate and preserve permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, shelters and facilities that deliver services to people struggling with mental health and substance use disorders.



Who is served?

San Francisco has gone to great lengths to understand the people in our city who struggle with homelessness, mental health challenges, and substance use disorders. The need for permanent facilities to deliver transformative, life-saving services in this arena has never been clearer.

According to the City's biennial Point-in-Time Count (last conducted in 2019), there are approximately 8,000 people experiencing homelessness in San Francisco on any given night. But over the course of an entire year, many more people experience homelessness. In Fiscal Year 2018-2019, the Departments of Public Health and of Homelessness and Supportive Housing served nearly 18,000 people experiencing homelessness; of those, 4,000 had a history of both mental health and substance use disorders.

In an analysis of 2018 data, nearly half of all patient visits to Psychiatric Emergency Services at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital were related to methamphetamine use, reflecting the association between methamphetamine use and psychosis. Methamphetamine is increasingly being consumed in public spaces, and people under the influence can sometimes present troubling psychosis-related behavior or experience moments of mental health crisis.

Making investments in permanent public facilities that deliver housing and/or treatment to people struggling with homelessness and mental health and substance use disorders will benefit:

- Veterans
- Transitional-aged youth
- Low-income San Franciscans
- Workers in behavioral health facilities
- People experiencing and exiting homelessness
- Residents of existing permanent housing facilities and shelters
- New clients looking to access behavioral health services
- Existing residents accessing behavioral health services, including those who are homeless, formerly homeless, experiencing substance use disorders



Larkin Street Youth Services offers housing, education, and employment training.

Permanent Supportive Housing and Shelter

The City administers locally and federally funded supportive housing to provide long-term affordable housing with on-site social services to people exiting chronic homelessness (Permanent Supportive Housing). San Francisco's Permanent Supportive Housing portfolio includes a variety of housing options, including renovated Single Room Occupancy hotels, newly constructed units and apartment buildings that operate under a master-lease between private property owners and the City. Permanent Supportive Housing is an important means of ensuring long-term health and stability for low-income San Franciscans and those exiting chronic homelessness. However, the City does not have a sufficient supply of Permanent Supportive Housing units to meet the demand.

Through the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, San Francisco currently offers temporary shelter to approximately 3,400 people every night through shelters, Navigation Centers, stabilization beds and transitional housing. Since October 2018, the City has opened 566 additional beds and 499 are underway. Additional beds are needed to match the waitlist for individuals looking to access shelter.

Bond proceeds will be used to stabilize, acquire, construct, expand, and/or improve Permanent Supportive Housing units and shelters. The estimated budget for this bond component is \$147 million, and based on current estimates those funds would support capital costs approximately 250 Permanent Supportive Housing beds and 75 shelter beds.

Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Treatment Facilities

San Francisco's Department of Public Health (DPH) is the City's largest provider of behavioral health services, helping approximately 30,000 individuals annually. These services include prevention, early intervention and treatment for mental health and substance use disorders. The Department provides behavioral health services in several settings, including, but not limited to, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, the Behavioral Health Access Center, residential care facilities and community clinics, as well as through contracts with nonprofit service providers.

Individuals often receive behavioral health and substance use treatment services along a continuum of care. Some people experiencing severe issues may need access to psychiatric emergency or inpatient care, while others may require residential treatment or can be treated at community-based clinics.

In Fiscal Year 2018-2019, DPH operated or contracted more than 2,000 behavioral health beds across the continuum of care. As the behavioral health needs of the population shift, so does the demand for services, further complicating the provision of timely and appropriate treatment for each client. When there is not enough capacity at any one level of care or facility, it can lead to longer wait times for services, and some people are not able to move to less restrictive levels of care when they are ready. Various reports evaluating DPH's behavioral health system, including the Behavioral Health System Performance Audit (Budget and Legislative Analyst, 2018) and Homelessness and Behavioral Health report (Tipping Point, 2019), have called for improvements in patient wait times, investments in additional beds and data to quantify and qualify capacity needs.





Limited state and federal resources and the high cost of construction put a greater burden on local governments to contribute their own limited resources to provide additional facilities to serve those struggling with behavioral health and substance use disorders. Consequently, the City's supply of these resources has not kept up with the demand. A mismatch of bed capacity to demand has significant implications for both client health outcomes and a healthcare system's bottom line. A system with capacity that matches demand is one that provides optimal patient "flow." In an optimized system, patients flow freely between levels of care according to their clinical health needs, rather than system constraints.

In late 2019, the Department's Mental Health Reform team identified a data-driven solution for quantifying the City's behavioral health bed needs: bed simulation modeling. This method has been used internationally as a risk-free strategy for quantifying bed demand and identifying the impact of novel allocations of treatment beds on patient throughput. Through the financial support of community partners, DPH engaged an experienced simulation modeling vendor to produce a mathematical model that determines how many beds are needed at each level of care to maintain consistent patient flow for behavioral health clients. The model's results provide substantial information for both operational improvements and recommendations for investments. Bed capacity increases are recommended at various levels of care that rest in different locations of the care continuum.

The Department of Public Health's SF Health Network operates more than a dozen community-based primary care health centers that provide convenient access to health care services in neighborhoods across the City. Primary care staff at these facilities diagnose and treat patients with acute and chronic illnesses, work with them on ways to prevent disease and maintain good health; provide prenatal, mental health and substance abuse care; and offer counseling and health education.

This bond will provide a portion of the crucial funding necessary to repair, acquire, construct, stabilize and improve public facilities that deliver services, treatment and/or residential care for people requiring mental health and substance use services. This could include behavioral health investments such as locked acute and sub-acute treatment facilities, psychiatric skilled nursing facilities, residential treatment facilities, residential stepdown facilities, behavioral health respite facilities, detox and sobering facilities, a new centralized Behavioral Health Access Center, existing community health facilities that deliver behavioral health services to vulnerable populations, and facilities for long-term placements such as board and care and other residential care.

Bond funds to improve existing community health facilities that deliver services to vulnerable populations will help ensure these facilities can treat patients safely and properly.

Priorities: Health and Homelessness

As the market is in a period of flux, San Francisco will seek to make investments in mental health and substance use disorder treatment facilities, permanent supportive housing, transitional housing and shelters that will have the greatest positive impact on our city and also be sustainably operable with projected available sources.

Health and homelessness priorities under this bond component include:

- Stabilization, acquisition, construction, expansion, and improvement of permanent supportive housing units and shelters. This can include those which provide transitional housing for those experiencing homelessness and those which the City currently master leases.
- Acquisition and construction of a new Behavioral Health Access Center to provide low-barrier centralized access to the City's network and system of behavioral health services.
- Stabilization, acquisition, expansion and improvement of residential treatment and residential step-down beds and locked acute and sub-acute treatment facilities for those experiencing substance use disorders.
- Stabilization, acquisition, expansion and improvement of psychiatric skilled nursing facilities.
- Expansion, improvement and construction of behavioral health respite facilities, sobering centers and detox facilities.
- The repair or improvement of community health facilities that provide behavioral health services to low-income populations.
- Stabilization of long-term placements for those with behavioral health needs, such as board and care and other residential care facilities.

TOTAL HEALTH AND HOMELESSNESS *	AMOUNT
Permanent Supportive Housing, Transitional Housing and Shelter	\$147 million
Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder	\$60 million
Total: Health and Homelessness	\$207 million

* This is an estimated amount of allocation, however, any uses referenced above are eligible for these funds.



Navigation Center in the Dogpatch

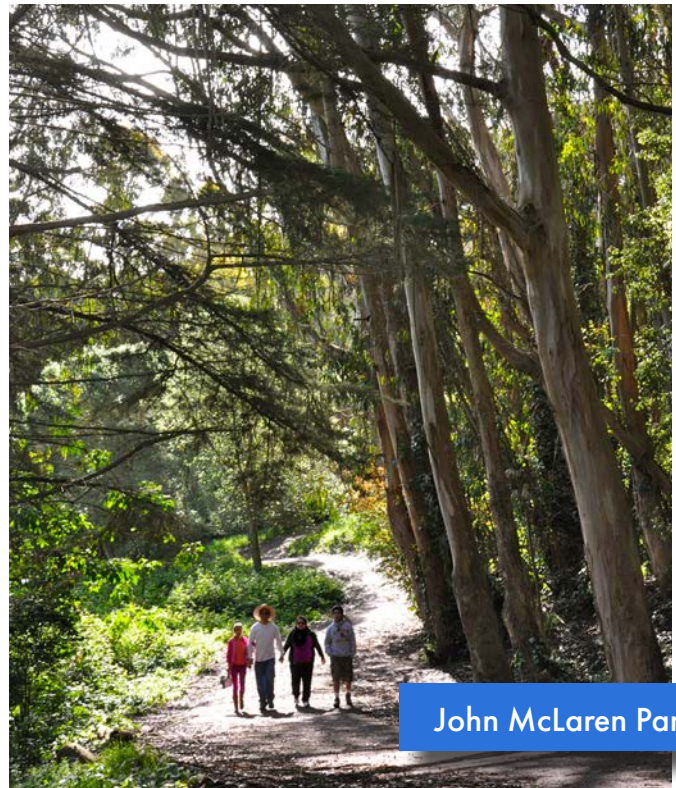


Parks and Open Spaces

Background

Parks are essential civic infrastructure that increase residents' quality of life and provide places to relax, enjoy nature, play, and exercise. Parks support good mental and physical health, and they can help park users deal with trauma. A growing body of work shows that time spent outdoors in natural environments can help lower stress, depression, anxiety, diabetes, risk of pre-term birth, high blood pressure, asthma, stroke, heart disease, and other health risks.

San Francisco proposes \$239 million of this General Obligation Bond to address capital needs in the City's parks. This proposal includes investments in neighborhood parks, rec centers, and waterfront parks; citywide parks like Golden Gate Park, Lake Merced, and McLaren Park; sustainability investments including shoreline protection; and community investments in priority recovery parks, playgrounds, the Community Opportunity Fund, community gardens, and trails.



John McLaren Park



Glen Canyon Park Playground

Neighborhood Parks

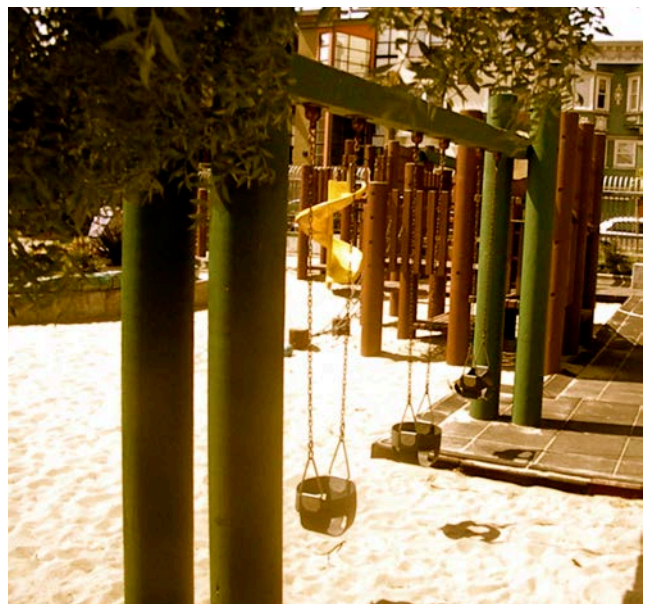
Overview

Approximately \$101 million of this Bond measure will be dedicated to various neighborhood parks for projects that have already undergone public review, design studies, and environmental review. These projects have been developed in cooperation with various community groups and stakeholders, gone through a robust community outreach process, and undergone design analysis and environmental review. Selection criteria for Neighborhood Parks included prioritizing dense or high-growth areas; ensuring equitable distribution of funds by focusing on disadvantaged communities (Equity Zones) and areas with reduced access to open space; investing in dilapidated properties with poor or deficient Facility Conditions Index (FCI) scores; improving the seismic resiliency and safety of buildings and structures; prioritizing multi-facility/community hubs; leveraging additional funding sources like grants and philanthropy; and prioritizing projects that have progressed through planning, design and community outreach. Many of these projects have multiple funding sources to deliver the full project, including, but not limited to, philanthropy, development impact fees, grants, and partner organizations.

Gene Friend Recreation Center

270 Sixth St. | South of Market

Constructed in 1989, Gene Friend Recreation Center sits on a large site in SoMa, with frontages on Folsom, 6th, and Harriet Streets. Gene Friend currently fills key programming needs for under-served populations. To serve the existing community and support future growth in the neighborhood, replacement of the facility is needed. The new building will be almost twice the size of the existing one, with two-story massing for a double basketball court gym and a second story of program space with triple the number of multipurpose rooms. The project includes improved lighting, security, and new outdoor amenities: basketball court, plaza space, playground, and landscaping. It may also include a small free-standing unconditioned space on the northwest corner of the site for trash enclosure and storage.



India Basin

900 Innes Ave. | Bayview-Hunters Point

Located at the north of the Bayview neighborhood, India Basin Open Space has one of the city's few remaining wetlands and is the only natural area within the Recreation and Park Department system that borders the Bay. It features tidal salt marsh and upland habitat that provides food and shelter for a variety of shorebirds and foraging habitat for raptors, as well as Bay Trail connections, access for kayakers, and bird watching. The adjacent India Basin Shoreline Park offers a playground and picnic area. In 2014 the Recreation and Park Department purchased 900 Innes, located between these two parks, with the intent to connect the sites and create one grand waterfront park that would close a critical gap in the San Francisco Bay Trail and increase access to open space accessible to under-served southeastern neighborhoods.

Along with planned improvements to India Basin Open Space funded by the adjacent housing development, the project will create a 20-acre network of new and/or improved open space. The new park will feature pedestrian and bicycle shoreline access, passive open space, fishing areas, tidal marshes, plazas and event spaces, picnic areas, site furnishings, and historical and educational displays. In addition, the Department is developing an Equitable Development Plan with community leaders to strengthen existing community connections and to provide economic opportunity for existing Bayview- Hunters Point residents.

Proposed design for India Basin



Buchanan Street Mall

The Western Addition

Buchanan Street Mall is comprised of five consecutive blocks of green space, asphalt paths, and under-performing playgrounds from Eddy Street to Grove Street. Presently within the five blocks are several temporary gardens, tree planters, seating areas, string/decorative lighting, and interactive sculptural multimedia installations that explain the neighborhood's history.

Developed through a robust community process, the project is intended to reinvigorate a long-underfunded community by creating a safe, and dynamic place that serves as a primary gathering place for the neighborhood. The bond funding will focus on the block between Golden Gate Avenue and Turk Street. Key design elements on the initial block renovation, include playground and exercise equipment for all-age play, flexible spaces, landscaped area and intimate gathering areas with seating options. Remaining funding could support a memory walk with a variety of interpretive elements.

Japantown Peace Plaza

1610 Geary Blvd. | Japantown

Located in the heart of Japantown, between the Japan Center Malls, Japantown Peace Plaza was originally built in 1968 and last renovated in 2000. The Plaza includes seating areas and landscaping around the famous Peace Pagoda that defines the neighborhood skyline. For many years, the plaza has been leaking water to a public garage situated below the mall and plaza.

The Japantown project will resolve the water intrusion and provide a reinvigorated space for the community. The renovation will include new planting, shade structures, paving, seating, lighting, and potential structural reinforcement of the Plaza and/or Peace Pagoda, if deemed necessary. The new community-driven, culturally-sensitive design will provide more functional access to the Plaza, both for everyday and special event use, while harnessing the symbolism that this site holds within the neighborhood, city, and region.



Herz Playground Recreation Center

1700 Visitacion Ave. | Visitacion Valley

Herz Playground, situated on the southeast corner of John McLaren Park, serves the Visitacion Valley neighborhood. The Herz project includes the construction of a new rec center on park property. The new facility will be approximately 11,500 square feet and feature an indoor basketball court, bleachers, office space, a multi-purpose room, restrooms, and other spaces for storage and building systems equipment.

Outdoor improvements will include a plaza at the entrance, installation of adult fitness equipment, lighting, removal of hazardous trees, and pathway and circulation improvements to connect the park with the Sunnydale community and neighboring Community Center that will be developed as part of the HOPE SF Sunnydale redevelopment.

Programmatic Scopes

For all of the following programmatic bond components, including Citywide Parks, Recovery Parks, Playgrounds, Sustainability, and Community Programs, the Recreation and Parks Commission will review and consider allocation of funds to specific projects. After identification and development of specific projects, environmental review required under CEQA will be completed as required before consideration of the specific projects.

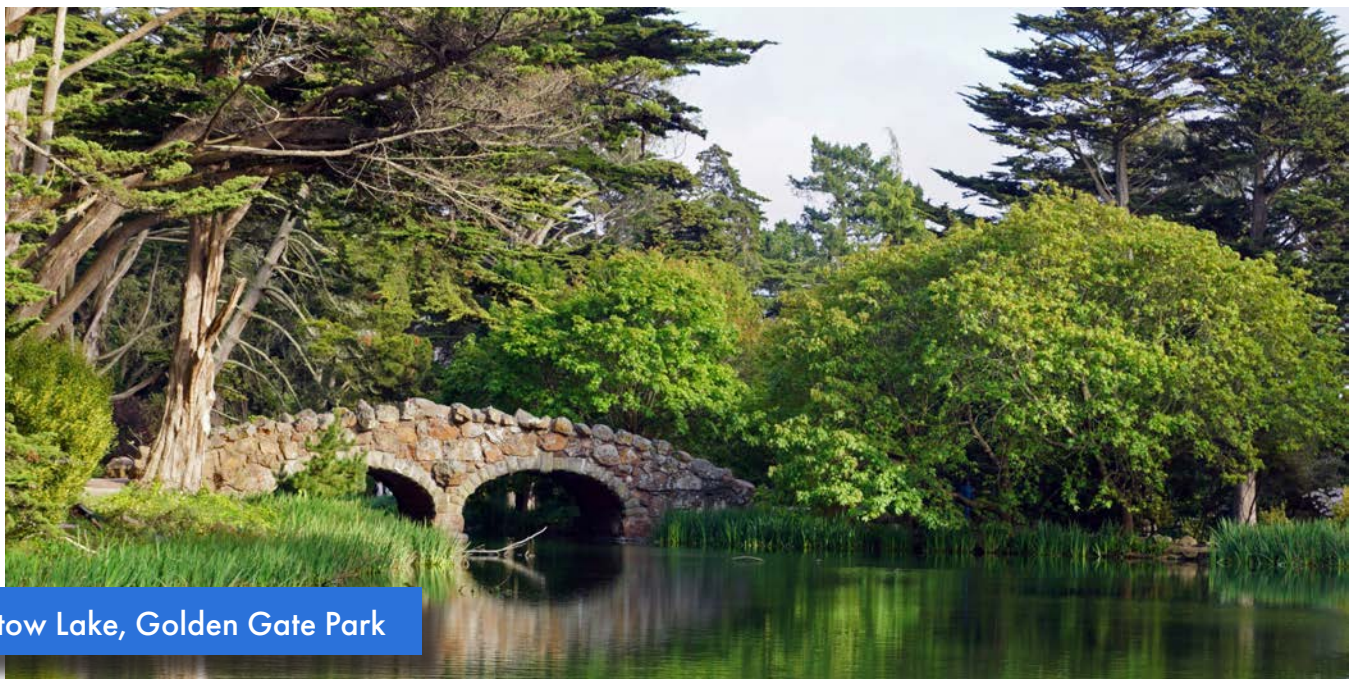
Citywide Parks

Golden Gate Park | John McLaren Park | Lake Merced

Together, San Francisco's citywide serving parks – Golden Gate Park, John McLaren Park, and Lake Merced Park – comprise almost 2,000 acres of open space, each with vast, ongoing capital needs. Golden Gate Park alone is estimated to need over \$500 million in capital investment to renovate and improve park features. The 2020 Bond will build upon projects delivered through past bonds and provide an additional \$18 million for improvements in these three parks, allocating \$10 million for improvements in Golden Gate Park, \$6 million for improvements in McLaren Park, and \$2 million for improvements in Lake Merced.

Project selection will be guided by, but not limited to, the following:

- Community process and outreach
- Existing master plans and policy documents
- Deferred maintenance needs
- Scoping by parks staff
- Overall project readiness



Stow Lake, Golden Gate Park

Recovery Parks

The purpose of the Recovery Parks program is to provide people an avenue for physical and mental health improvements through active recreation and resilient contemplative spaces. The City's parks' needs are well understood, and they represent a leading opportunity to get people back to work quickly. Priority parks for this funding category include Buena Vista Park, Crocker Amazon Playground, Jackson Playground, Portsmouth Square, Richmond Senior Park Improvements, and South Sunset Playground.

The bond identifies \$86 million for this program with the following allocations, based on a general sense of needs at the parks, and other sources and means that may be available to provide support for various parks: \$15 million towards Crocker Amazon Playground, \$3 million towards Buena Vista Park, \$10 million towards improvements at Jackson Playground, \$54 million towards improvements at Portsmouth Square, \$1 million towards Richmond Senior Park improvements and \$3 million towards improvements at South Sunset Playground.

These parks have been identified as having extensive capital needs that will require bond funding to address. The Recreation and Park Department is working to identify specific needs and opportunities for these priority parks and collaborating with partners and stakeholders to prioritize needs and develop projects. Bond funding could be used for project planning, and once a specific project has been developed and undergone public and City review, bond funding could be used for project implementation, if approved. For all these parks, the Recreation and Park Department will complete conceptual design, and the projects will undergo any required environmental review before the Recreation and Parks Commission may review and consider approval of any specific improvement projects.

Crocker Amazon Playground is located at the corner of Geneva Avenue and Moscow Street and borders John McLaren Park. It is approximately 46 acres and includes soccer fields, baseball and softball diamonds, tennis, basketball and, bocce ball courts, children's play areas, a skatepark, a clubhouse, picnic areas, a community garden, and a dog play area. The Recreation and Park Department is exploring a potential public-private partnership with the San Francisco Giants to support equitable access through a variety of youth enrichment programs, such as baseball, softball, academic support, etc. Identified opportunities could include renovation of the baseball diamonds, ancillary structures, and other amenities including, but limited to, educational facilities, restroom improvements, security, pathways, parking improvements, site amenities, and potential development of multi-use natural grass areas.



Playing fields at Crocker Amazon

Buena Vista Park is a 36-acre park and includes a children's play area, dog play area, tennis courts, restroom facilities, park maintenance facilities, trails, pathways, and landscaped and natural areas. The park contains one of the City's few remaining coast live oak groves on its northern side. Improvements could include, but are not limited to, the restoration and repair of existing park elements such as circulation and hardscape improvements; soil management and erosion controls; forestry and planting improvements; water conservation and irrigation improvements; and replacement or enhancement of site furnishings and lighting.

Jackson Playground is located between Arkansas and Carolina Streets and 17th and Mariposa Streets in Potrero Hill. The park is approximately 4.9 acres and occupies an entire city block. Jackson Playground includes picnic areas, tennis and basketball courts, two ball fields, a children's play area and clubhouse. The Recreation and Park Department, in collaboration with the Friends of Jackson Park community group, is working on a design for the renovation of the park. The Department has a preferred plan at Jackson Playground that is currently undergoing environmental review. Improvements could include, but are not limited to, reorientation and renovation of some existing park amenities such as the sports fields, construction of a new playground, and the renovation and possible extension of the historic clubhouse.

Portsmouth Square is located in Chinatown bordered by Kearny Street, Washington Street, Walter U Lum Place, and Clay Street. It is approximately 1.5 acres large with diverse recreation facilities including a recently renovated restroom, a clubhouse, playgrounds and multiple terraces. Building on the improvements made in Chinatown through the 2008 and 2012 bonds at Willie "Woo Woo" Wong and Chinese/Betty Ann Ong Recreation Center, both completely renovated, the Department has identified a preferred plan at Portsmouth Square that is currently undergoing environmental review. The preferred plan is a result of an extensive community-engagement including 1-on-1 interviews, intercept surveys and five community meetings with record turnout. Improvements may include, but are not limited to: reconstruction or addition of amenities; pathway and accessibility improvements; landscaping and beautification; modifying, repurposing, or removing the pedestrian bridge over Kearny Street; expanded clubhouse footprint; and lighting improvements.



Richmond Senior Park Improvements would be delivered near the Golden Gate Park Senior Center to provide outdoor elements for senior or intergenerational engagement. These improvements could include, but are not limited to, outdoor, intergenerational exercise equipment to provide opportunities for both independent and guided activities, landscaping, communal gardening beds, pathways and benches.

South Sunset Playground, located on the corner of 40th Ave and Vicente Street, is a 4-acre park featuring ball fields, basketball and tennis courts, a playground, a paved multi-use play area and the clubhouse. The 2,600 square-foot single-story clubhouse includes a multi-purpose room, restrooms, a kitchen and an office. The building was originally constructed in 1957 and has not seen any major renovation in decades, unlike some other amenities at this park which have undergone improvement projects over the years. Improvements to the park could include the reconfiguration or renovation of interior spaces or building systems in the clubhouse, access improvements, landscaping and beautification.

Playgrounds

San Francisco's parks have 180 children's play areas, serving a variety of children's ages, neighborhoods, and needs. The \$9 million Playgrounds program will renovate, replace, and remediate dilapidated playgrounds throughout the city. Playground selection will be based on consideration of, but not limited to: equity zones, 2020 Census Data, 2040 population growth priorities, physical condition of sites, timing of most recent improvement project, code compliance, analysis of disabilities access, and Controller's Proposition C Park Evaluation Data.

Playgrounds that may be analyzed as potential renovation sites under this program include, but are not limited to, the following playgrounds: Miraloma, Pretica Park, Parque Niños Unidos, Head-Brotherhood, Cow Hollow, Peixotto and States Street. This list is not exhaustive, and other playgrounds not included may also be funded.



Cow Hollow Playground



Miraloma Playground

Trails Program

The 2020 Bond will continue the successful Trails program from the 2008 and 2012 Parks Bond, which improved trails in Grandview Park, Twin Peaks, the Oak Woodlands Trail in Golden Gate Park, four priority areas in McLaren Park among others. This \$1 million program will improve access and opportunities to walk and hike in San Francisco.

Community Gardens

Community gardens provide food, foster a connection to nature and support a sense of community. Since community gardens are relatively small and typically include only areas for gardening, pathways and seating, small investments may go a long way in improving a garden's usability and appeal. This \$600,000 program will deliver improvements that may include new or improved seating areas and site furnishings, planter boxes, and composting bins, as well as site beautification and landscaping and lighting improvements.



Corona Heights



Howard Langton

Sustainability

The sustainability program will fund conservation, protection, restoration, and other improvements to spaces and amenities to build climate resilience. Projects included in the \$14 million sustainability program could include climate adaptation work along Ocean Beach; forest management; water conservation measures; energy generation and conservation measures; landscaping with native plants; acquisition, improvement, or expansion of urban agriculture sites; and development of new spaces to improve resiliency of our city and our parks.



Ocean Beach

Community Opportunity Fund

The Community Opportunity Fund (COF) provides an opportunity for neighborhoods, community groups, and park partners to nominate capital projects for funding. The COF promotes community stewardship, enhances park identity and experience, and leverages resources from the community. Given the success of this program over the last decade, the 2020 Bond will allocate an additional \$6 million to continue the COF, which empowers community members to foster change in their neighborhood parks.

Priorities: Parks and Open Spaces

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS	AMOUNT
Buchanan Mall	\$2 million
Gene Friend Recreation Center	\$30 million
Herz Playground Recreation Center (HOPE SF)	\$10 million
India Basin	\$29 million
Japantown Peace Plaza	\$25 million
Contingency	\$5 million
Total: Neighborhood Parks	\$101 million

PROGRAMS	
Citywide Parks	\$18 million
Recovery Parks	\$86 million
Playgrounds	\$9 million
Trails	\$1 million
Community Gardens	\$600,000
Sustainability	\$14 million
Community Opportunity Fund	\$6 million
Contingency	\$1.4 million
Total: Programs	\$136 million

TOTAL PARKS BUDGET	
Neighborhood Parks	\$101 million
Programs	\$136 million
Administration	\$2 million
Total: Neighborhood Parks and Programs	\$239 million

Right-of-Way Repair

Background

Streets enable cities to function: They provide a network for the dynamic social, economic and physical activities that make them an essential component to promote productivity and human interaction. Streets allow people to get to and from places by providing a means of mobility for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians from all paths of life. Neither public transportation nor the movement of goods or services would be possible without a system of well-maintained and accessible streets.

The City and County of San Francisco is responsible for the maintenance of approximately 940-plus miles of streets, in addition to many public staircases, bridges, and plazas found in each of its neighborhoods. To ensure the City's streets and public spaces are accessible, curb ramps are installed to help people with disabilities and who have trouble stepping on and off the sidewalk navigate in the public right of way.

San Francisco proposes \$41.5 million of this General Obligation Bond to address capital needs in the public right of way and public spaces. This includes \$31.5 million for investing in street resurfacing; \$5 million for the design, construction and maintenance of ADA-compliant accessible curb ramps; and \$5 million for the repair and maintenance of street structures.



Street Resurfacing and Treatment

Providing smooth and pothole-free streets is essential to reducing the costs of damage caused by road defects and preventing accidents for bicyclists and drivers who must swerve to avoid dangerous conditions in the road. Pedestrians also are affected when they walk across the street and encounter hazards that may cause trips and falls. Under this bond proposal, \$31.5 million will go toward paving and resurfacing damaged and deteriorating roads – improving the condition and safety of the streets throughout San Francisco.

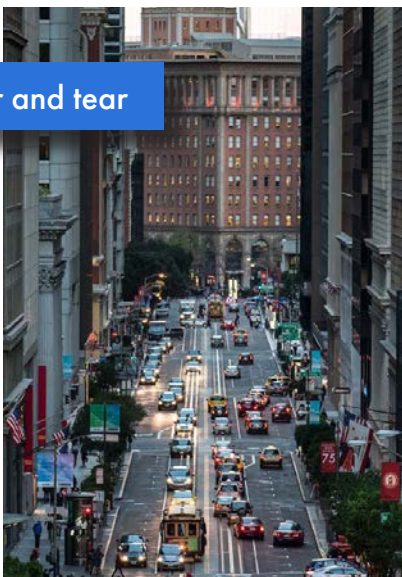
Under this bond, approximately 300 blocks will be repaired and resurfaced, as part of the City's existing Street Resurfacing Program which maintains city streets through various full roadway resurfacing treatments, including grinding and paving and surface sealing. Street surfaces must be routinely maintained, renewed and resurfaced to extend the service life of the pavement by applying the proper treatment type at different stages of the pavement life.

Why do we need to resurface the City's streets?

There are three major factors that contribute to the deterioration of streets:

- 1. Heavy wear and tear:** San Francisco streets and roads have an average useful life of 5 to 20 years. However, a street's useful life is shortened when there is increased car, truck and bus traffic. Typically, the asphalt on a heavily used street wears out sooner than a street with less activity.
- 2. Excavation:** There are many utilities that lie beneath the roadway. Each time one of these utilities needs repair or replacement, the utility companies must excavate the street by cutting a trench through the pavement, which can make the spot vulnerable to deterioration or failure. Over time, these excavations greatly impact the lifespan of the street.
- 3. Deferred work:** Routine maintenance can prolong the longevity of City streets. However, needs have outpaced available funding for street resurfacing and reconstruction, resulting in more rapid deterioration of City streets. The more a street is deteriorated or worn, the greater chance that potholes will form.

Wear and tear



Excavation



Deferred work



Pavement Condition Index

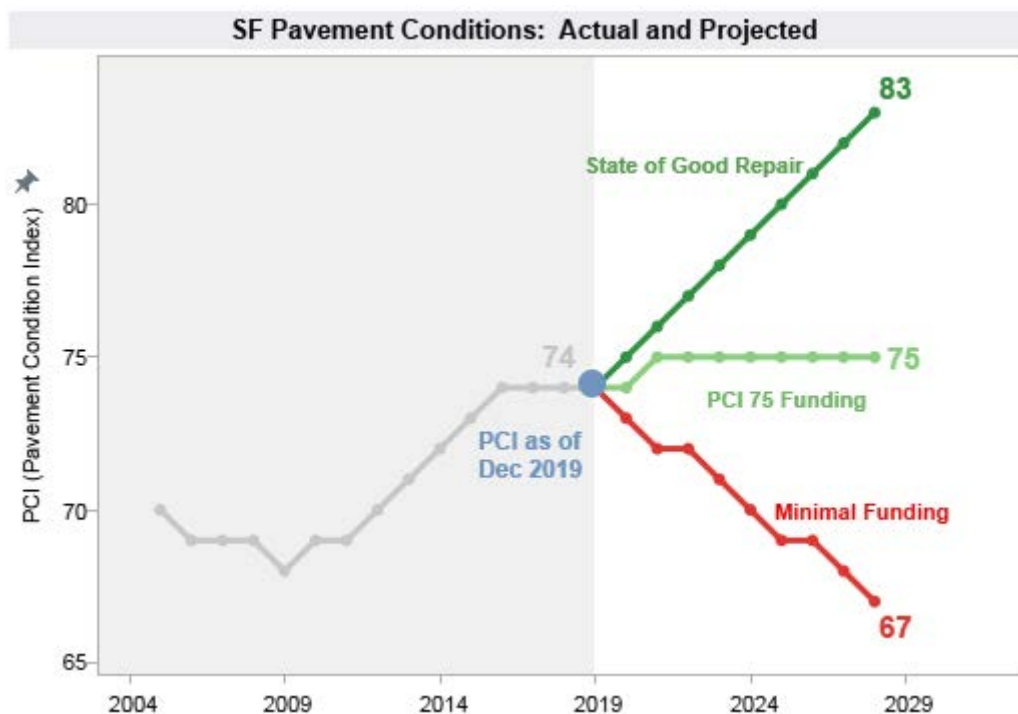
The City uses a Pavement Management and Mapping System to track the condition of the streets. The system tracks the impact of wear, erosion and age of a street by establishing a rating for each segment. This helps determine which streets are nearing and/or beyond the end of their useful lives. For the street segments that are in relatively good condition, pavement preservation treatments are performed to preserve the street and minimize further deterioration. For street segments that are nearing or beyond their useful life, the top layer of asphalt is ground off and repaved with a new layer of asphalt. For asphalt streets with a deteriorated concrete base, both the concrete layer and the top layer of asphalt are reconstructed.

The Pavement Management and Mapping System rates the condition of streets based on several criteria, including ride quality, cracking and raveling of the roadway. These ratings result in a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) score for each street segment on a scale 0 to 100. A score of 0 reflects the worst condition and 100 reflects a newly paved street. The City uses the PCI scores to determine the appropriate treatment for each street segment.

The following PCI ranges are used to identify the types of treatment needed:

- 0 – 50: Reconstruction (grind and pave with base repairs)
- 50 – 60: Resurfacing (grind and pave)
- 60 – 80: Preservation (surface sealing)
- 80 – 100: No improvement needed

San Francisco's current PCI is 74 and has a goal to reach and maintain a score of 75. If we do not invest in improving the PCI score, costs to fix streets will skyrocket, street degradation will continue and the backlog of streets needing reconstruction will grow exponentially. Delaying these investments now will significantly increase the costs to make these improvements in the future.



The most cost-effective pavement management strategy is to preserve streets in good condition instead of letting them deteriorate. The lower the PCI score, the more expensive it is to fix the street. While new pavements generally remain in good-to-excellent condition for several years with little or no upkeep, the rate of deterioration increases rapidly after 5 to 20 years. By reducing the frequency of asset replacement, research shows that preservation treatments can increase the lifecycle and reduce the cost by 50 percent.

Which streets will be resurfaced?

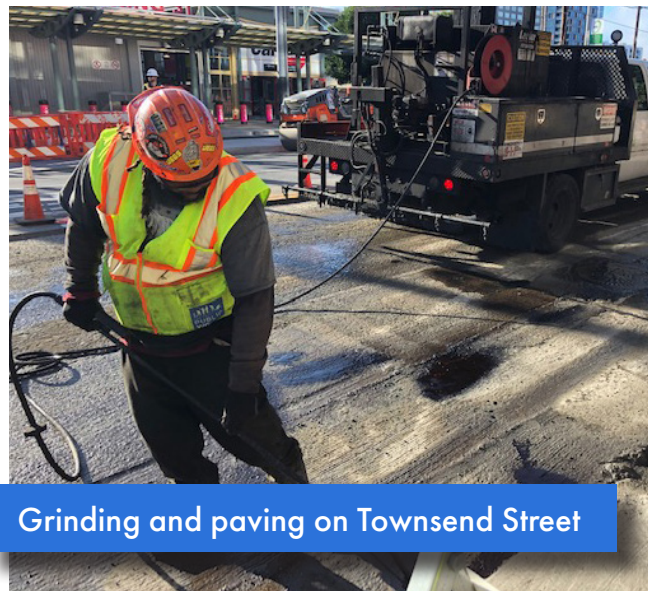
The City determines the type of street treatment based on the PCI score. Once a street has been identified for resurfacing, it is coordinated with public and private utility work (“cleared”) for resurfacing. Improvements will be distributed among various neighborhoods and commercial districts throughout the City to promote geographic equity. Where feasible, repairs will be implemented along contiguous blocks to ensure cost efficiency.

The street repaving program will consider and prioritize projects using the following criteria:

- Pavement Score (PCI)
- Multi-modal Usage, such as transit corridors
- Project Readiness
- Equitable Geographic Distribution
- Public Inquiries



A newly paved road in Pacific Heights



Grinding and paving on Townsend Street

Roadway resurfacing work under this bond may include, but will not be limited to:

- Grinding and paving of asphalt streets and repair of concrete roadway base
- Repair of parking areas, curb edges and gutters
- Traffic striping replacement, utility adjustments and curb ramps
- Pavement preservation including surface sealing and crack sealing

Curb Ramps

Curb ramps provide pedestrian access between the sidewalk and roadway for people with visual impairments who use a cane and others with disabilities using wheelchairs. Curb ramps also help people who use strollers and walkers, and pedestrians who have trouble stepping up and down high curbs. Without curb ramps in place, people who face mobility challenges often are forced to travel in the street with traffic to navigate around the City.

A fundamental provision of Title II of the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires municipal governments to provide curb ramps to make the public right of way accessible. Regardless of the legal obligation, San Francisco officials have made it a priority to protect the safety of people with disabilities and to create a pedestrian environment that is welcoming to everyone. As such, San Francisco has been building curb ramps for many years and has implemented a Curb Ramp Assessment and Maintenance Program for curb ramps, which ensures that funding and resources first go to areas where curb ramps are needed the most.



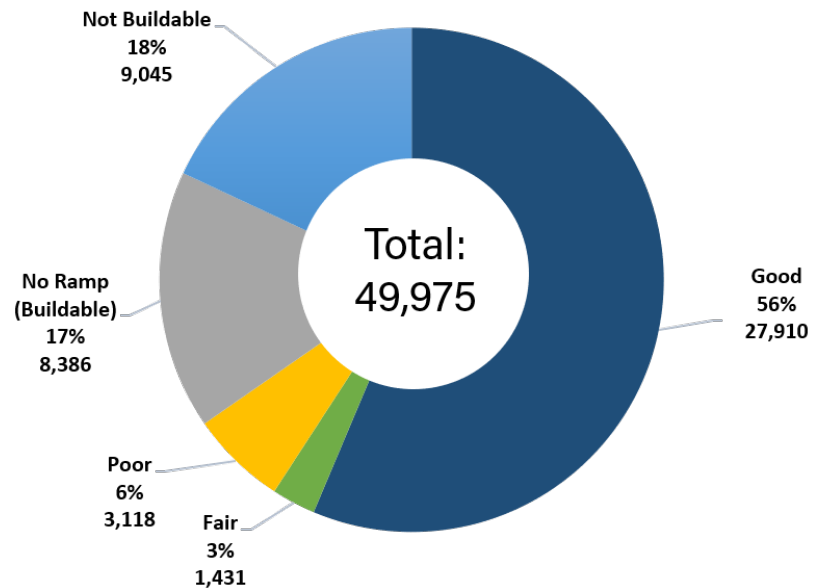
Accessible curb ramp in the Diamond Heights neighborhood

Citywide Curb Ramp Needs

The City's goal is to have a curb ramp installed at every intersection and mid-block location where pedestrian crossings exist. However, many of the City's corners still lack curb ramps. Some of the existing ramps are too old, too steep, or too narrow and others are in disrepair. There are 27,910 curb ramps in good condition. However, there are another 1,431 curb ramps rated to be in fair condition, 3,118 curb ramps rated to be in poor condition and 8,386 buildable locations where a curb ramp does not currently exist. This inventory indicates that there is the need to build and upgrade a total of 12,935 curb ramps throughout the City to ensure that a comprehensive navigable path of travel is accessible to everyone who needs it. This bond will provide \$5 million for curb ramps to help address this critical need.

To determine City's need to construct new curb ramps, existing curb ramp locations and locations where a curb ramp does not exist, are placed into five categories:

- **Good:** Good curb ramps are fairly new and usable by most, if not all, people with disabilities.
- **Fair:** Fair curb ramps are older. Many, but not all, people with disabilities can use a fair curb ramp.
- **Poor:** Poor curb ramps are old and in poor condition.
- **No Ramp (buildable):** Buildable curb ramps are locations where a ramp does not exist.
- **Not Buildable:** Refers to locations that are too steep or where there is no safe crossing.



Citywide curb ramp needs as of May 2020

Curb Ramp Prioritization

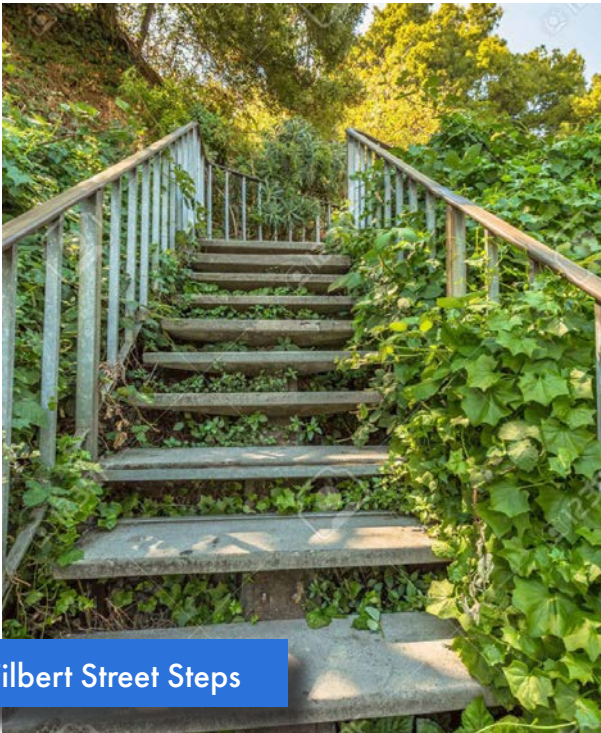
The City prioritizes new curb ramp locations according to guidelines established by the Americans with Disabilities Act. To ensure an equitable distribution of construction throughout the public right of way in the City, Public Works and the Mayor's Office on Disability – in collaboration with residents with disabilities – identifies locations in neighborhoods with large populations of people with disabilities and areas with few usable curb ramps.

Curb ramp projects will be prioritized using the following criteria:

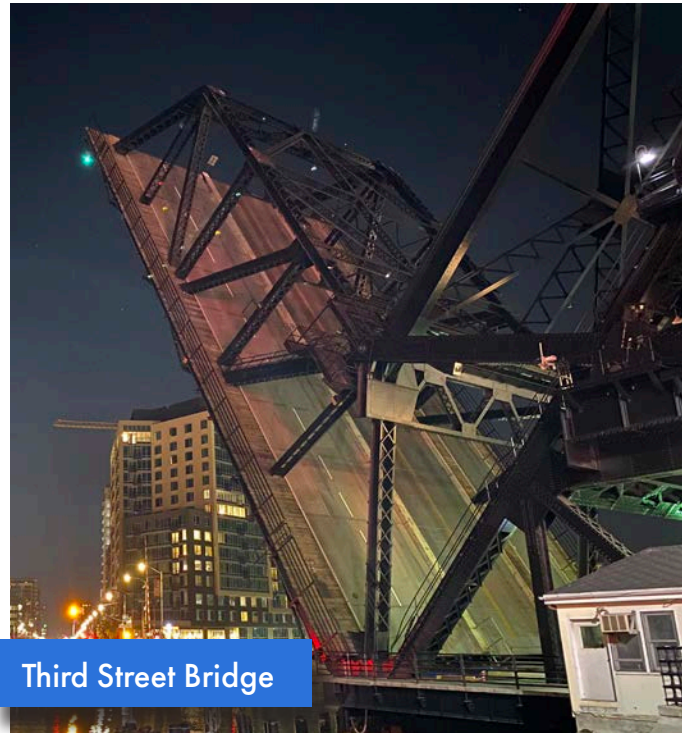
- **Curb Ramp Condition Score:** Every curb ramp in the dedicated public right of way in the City has a condition score in the Curb Ramp Condition Score database based on the most recent survey or inspection, with 1 being the worst and 100 being the best.
- **Geographic equity:** Geographic equity is reviewed to consider the various needs of San Francisco neighborhoods.
- **Input from disability stakeholders:** The highest initial priority is given to a request received from a person with a disability, where each corner of the intersection in question does not have at least one curb ramp with a condition score of 70 or higher.
- **Location review by the Mayor's Office on Disability and Public Works:** The priority locations are primarily where curb ramps can help people safely get to transit stops, civic buildings, schools, senior centers, commercial corridors and work areas.

Street Structures and Plazas

The City has approximately 390 street structures, including stairways, retaining walls, guardrails, pedestrian overpasses and underpasses, tunnels, bridges and viaducts that are used by the public every day. This network of public-serving structures is critical to providing pedestrian access to the City's larger street and road system. To assure safe use of these structures, timely repairs are required to prevent further deterioration and any threat to public safety. Although the City has performed seismic retrofits of bridges, pedestrian overpasses and viaducts in recent years, many other street structures still need replacement and significant repairs. Consequently, failure to correct these deficiencies increases the risk to public safety and exposure to liability.



Filbert Street Steps



Third Street Bridge

Funding from the bond may be used to repair, replace, or maintain the following:

- Cracked and/or spalled concrete
- Tilted retaining walls
- Settled stairways and uneven steps or landings
- Deteriorated and/or damaged metal and concrete rails
- Deteriorated and/or damaged fences and guardrails
- Mechanical and electrical equipment on bridges and tunnels
- Structure lighting improvements
- Other structural and life-safety deficiencies on City-maintained bridges, tunnels and other structures

Street Structure Criteria

The City has developed a methodology with a set of criteria that includes structural, geotechnical, code conformance and accessibility to prioritize structural repairs. The Street Structure Inspection and Repair Program will utilize this rating system and results from routine inspections to select which street structures will receive funding from this bond.

Scores will be based on the following criteria:

- **Structural:** Is the level of deterioration critical so that it requires immediate repair? Does the structure pose any imminent life and safety hazard?
- **Geotechnical:** Is the structure stable? Are there signs of distress, movement, settlement or undermining of the foundation?
- **Code Conformance:** Does the structure have missing or damaged handrails or fencing, inoperable lights, and/or exposed electrical panels/fixtures? Does the structure present a tripping hazard, have a slippery surface, or have corrosion or exposed steel that could present a danger to pedestrians?
- **Accessibility:** Does the structure meet accessibility requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act? Are there handrails on each side of the stairway?

Priorities: Right-of-Way Repair

RIGHT-OF-WAY REPAIR *	AMOUNT
Street Resurfacing	\$31.5 million
Curb Ramps	\$5 million
Street Structures and Plazas	\$5 million
Total: Right-of-Way Repair	\$41.5 million

* This is an estimated amount of allocation, however, any uses referenced above are eligible for these funds.

ACCOUNTABILITY

The 2020 Health and Recovery Bond will include strict standards of accountability, fiscal responsibility and transparency. In addition to California state bond accountability requirements, the City will create a comprehensive public oversight and accountability process for the duration of the bond program.

Policy Compliance:

The proposed bond funding levels comply with the City's policy to keep property taxes constrained at or below their 2006 level.

Bond Accountability Reports:

Per the San Francisco Administrative Code (Section 2.70 to 2.74), 60 days prior to the issuance of any portion of the bond authority, departments will submit a 2020 Health and Recovery Bond accountability report to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, the Controller, the Treasurer, the Director of Public Finance and the Budget Analyst describing the current status and description of each project.

Transparency:

The City will hold periodic public hearings and reviews of the bond program and its implementation before the Capital Planning Committee, Recreation and Parks Commission and the General Citizens' Obligation Bond Oversight Committee. Individual projects will be defined through application of public safety principles and objective evaluation criteria described in the bond report.

Annual Public Review:

Funds are subject to the approval processes and rules described in the San Francisco Charter and Administrative Code. The bond will be subject to annual public reviews.

Public Appropriations of Capital Project Funds:

Public appropriation of bond funds shall be in accordance with the San Francisco Charter and Administrative Code, including review by the Capital Planning Committee, to assure the projects are consistent with the City's 10-Year Capital Plan; review and recommendation by the Budget and Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors; review and approval by the full Board of Supervisors and the Mayor.

CGOBOC Audits:

The City's Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee (CGOBOC) is responsible for auditing the implementation of the bond per the Administrative Code (Section 5.30 to 5.36). This independent, nine-member committee is appointed by the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, the Controller and the Civil Grand Jury. One-tenth of one percent (0.1%) of the bond funds will pay for the committee's audit and oversight functions. Should CGOBOC determine that any funds were not spent in accordance with the expressed will of the voters, they are empowered to deny subsequent issuances of bond funds.

10-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN

Adopted through legislation by the Mayor and Board of Supervisors in 2005, the Capital Planning Committee was created to guide and prioritize capital needs citywide. The Capital Plan is developed by the committee and adopted annually by the Board of Supervisors prior to adoption of the City budget.

The City invests significant General Fund dollars into the repair and rehabilitation of our capital assets every year. However, the City cannot rely on these funds alone to address critical infrastructure needs. Where annual funds are not adequate to pay the costs of major capital improvements, the Plan recommends using one of two sources of long-term debt financing:

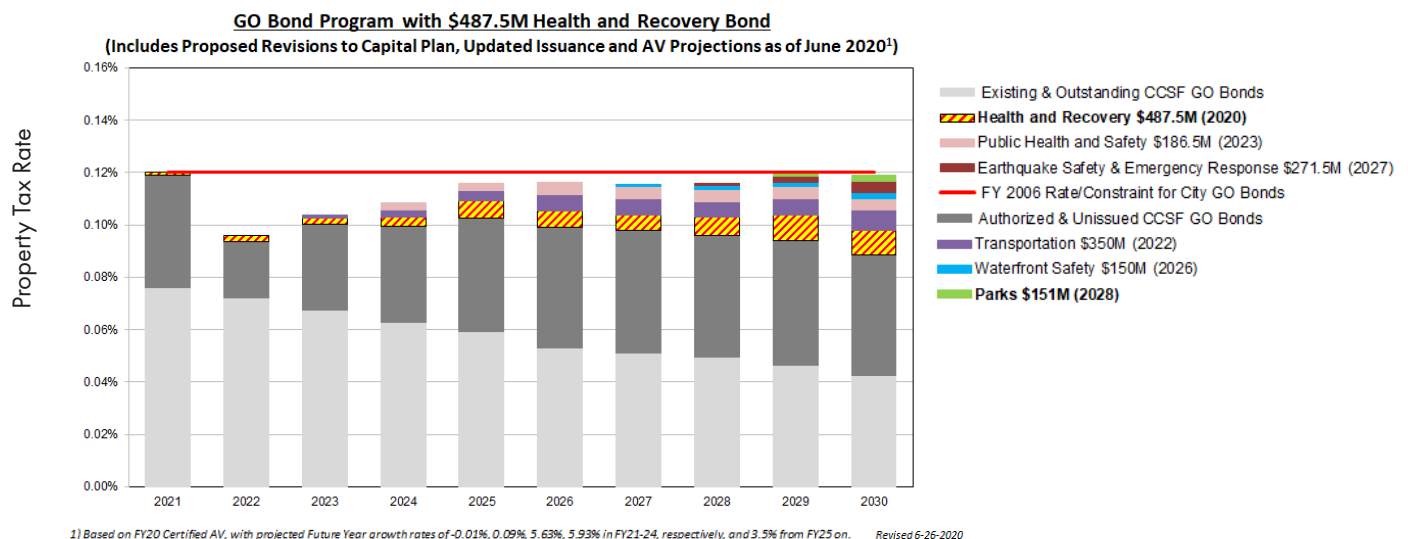
- **General Obligation Bonds** backed by property taxes upon approval by voters.
- **General Fund debt programs** backed by the City's General Fund upon approval by the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor.

General Obligation Bonds and General Fund debt programs are appropriate means of funding capital improvements, as they spread the costs over their long, useful lives and across the generations of San Franciscans that reap their benefits.

Since its inception, the Capital Plan has laid out a G.O. Bond Program that aligns funding with the most critical infrastructure needs in the City's portfolio. Previous bonds for public health, parks, and streets all have contributed to state of good repair and seismic strengthening needs for community-facing buildings and infrastructure, allowing San Francisco to address today's most urgent priorities.

The Capital Plan General Obligation Bond Program chart below illustrates the relationship between the G.O. Bond Program and the local tax rate, including existing and outstanding issuance and voter-approved bonds. This demonstrates the City's policy constraint that General Obligation bonds will not increase the property tax rate above 2006 levels.

For more information on the City's Capital Plan, please visit onesanfrancisco.org





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FY2020-29 Capital Plan Off-Year Update November 2020 Health and Recovery G.O. Bond

June 24, 2020

Proposed (Revised) November 2020 Bond

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Program Area	\$M
Mental Health and Homelessness	207
Parks	239
Streets and Right-of-Way	41.5
TOTAL	487.5

Background: Capital Plan Funding Principles and Resilience Challenges

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Capital Funding Principles



Resilience Challenges



EARTHQUAKES

There is a 76% chance the Bay Area will experience a 7.0 magnitude earthquake in the next 30 years. Even the relatively moderate and distant 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake (6.9) caused substantial damage to our city. It is imperative to the survival of San Francisco that we continue working to prepare and recover from the "big one."



INFRASTRUCTURE

Infrastructure is central to our daily lives—from the roads and pipes we use every day, to the larger systems, like food and social networks and housing that we rely on as lifelines. Sometimes these systems continue to operate past their intended life span and sometimes they are inadequate all together to meet the needs of a growing and vibrant city.



CLIMATE CHANGE

The impacts of global climate change are already being felt in the form of drought and increasingly severe storm events. We must secure our city's future through mitigation, while recognizing the likely impacts of climate change by beginning to adapt today rather than when it is too late.



SOCIAL INEQUITY

San Francisco embraces equality and equity in all policies but this work is never done. Social equity and inclusiveness needs to be at the core of what makes a city thrive.



SEA LEVEL RISE

We expect a total in 66" of sea level rise to impact our shores by 2100. As we plan for the growth of our city, we need to adapt to this challenge that threatens not only our waterfront but also our way of life in San Francisco and regionally.



UNAFFORDABILITY

Forty-five percent of renters in San Francisco pay more than 30% of their household income in rent. Median home prices are continuing to rise, making it a challenge for first time home buyers. San Francisco is becoming out of reach for many of the people who made the city what it is today.

G.O. Bond Measures since 2000 by Service Area

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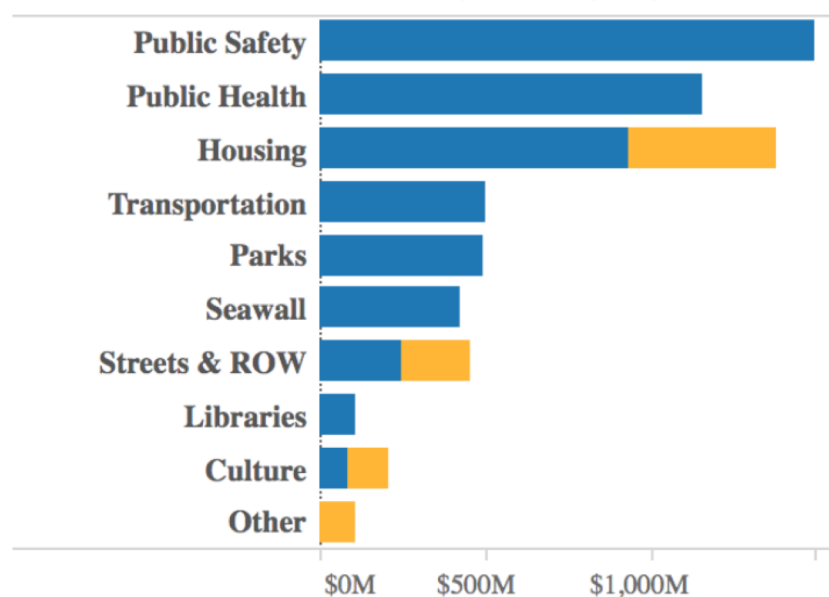
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\$5,444M

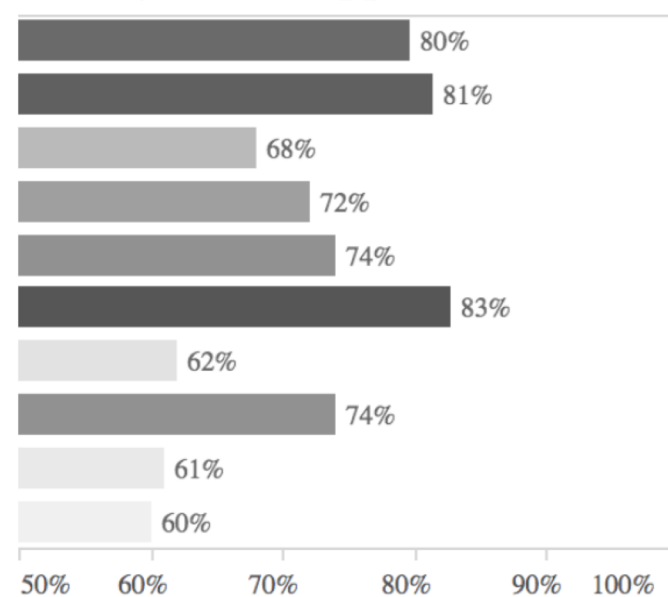
Total Value
Rejected:

\$887M

Total Value of Bonds by Category



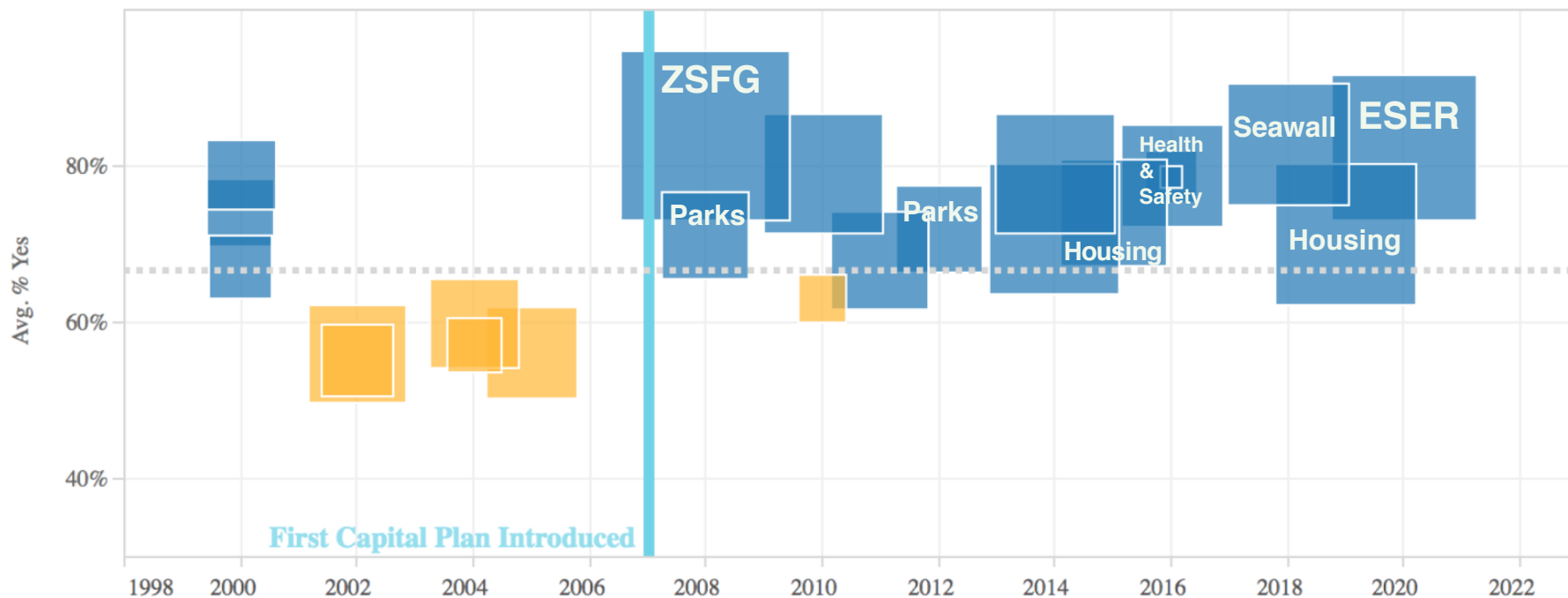
Average Voter Approval



Voter Approval of G.O. Bond Measures since 2000

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Voter Approval and Bond Value by Year



Off-Year Update Context:

Highest Priorities & Building Recovery

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In November of 2019 Mayor Breed asked City Administrator Kelly to re-prioritize the G.O. Bond Program to reflect and address the urgency of San Francisco's mental health crisis.

More recently, with the rise of the COVID-19 and associated leap in unemployment, an urgent need to invest in shovel-ready projects and programs has arisen.

- *Bonds must be used for capitalizable assets, cannot be used for leased facilities, services, or temporary investments.*
- *Every \$1 million in construction spending creates an estimated 5.93 jobs.*
- *Bonds enable construction, are an important local counter-recessionary tool.*
- *Deferred right-of-way and facilities maintenance would otherwise go unfunded in recession and budget cuts climate.*

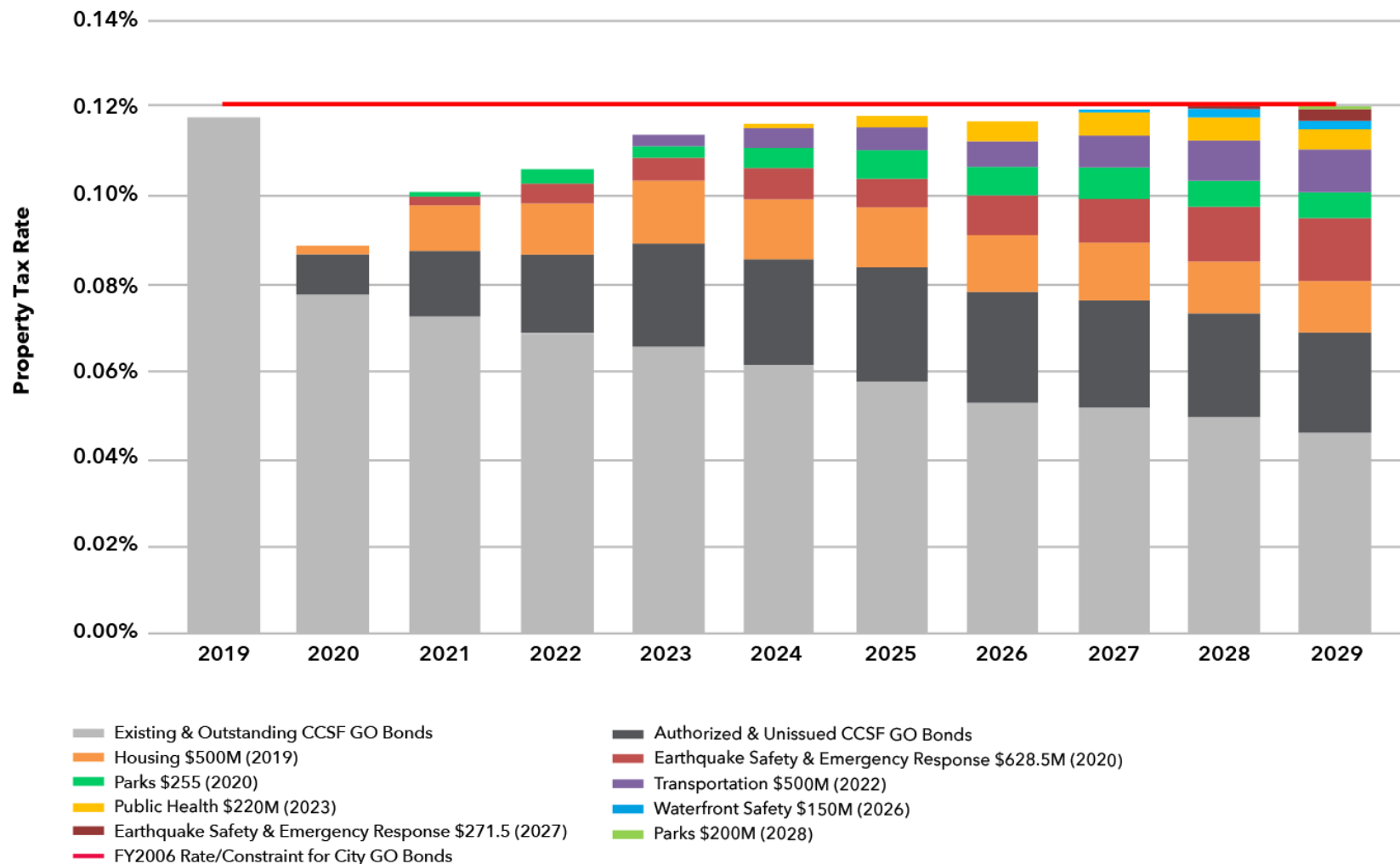
Planned GO Bonds from FY2020-29 Capital Plan

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Election Date	Program	\$M	Notes
Nov 2019	Affordable Housing	500*	Revised up to \$600M
Mar 2020	Earthquake Safety & Emergency Response	628.5	
Nov 2020	Parks and Open Space	255	
Jun 2022	Transportation	500	
Nov 2023	Public Health	220	
Nov 2026	Waterfront Safety	150	
Nov 2027	Earthquake Safety & Emergency Response	271.5	
Nov 2028	Parks and Open Space	200	
	TOTAL	2,725	

GO Bond Program as published in the Capital Plan

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November 2020 Bond as approved by Capital Planning Committee 5/11/20

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Program Area	\$M
Mental Health and Homelessness	197
Parks	200
Streets and Right-of-Way	41.5
TOTAL	438.5

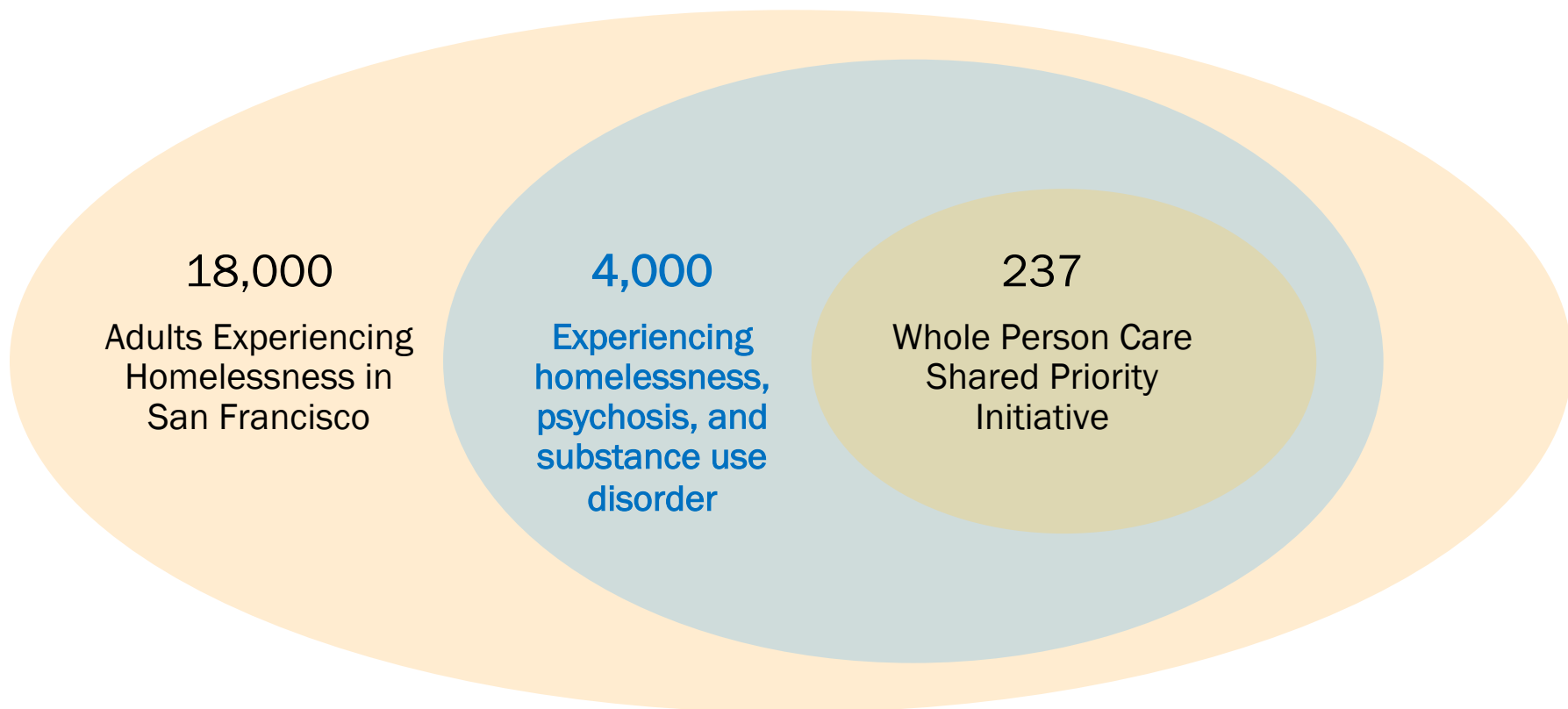
Proposed (Revised) November 2020 Bond

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Program Area	\$M
Mental Health and Homelessness	207
Parks	239
Streets and Right-of-Way	41.5
TOTAL	487.5

Behavioral Health and Homelessness Priority Target Population

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Estimated populations of 18,000 and 4,000 based on FY1819 CCMS data.

Behavioral Health Capital Priorities

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Recent needs analysis shows priority needs in the system for:

- Locked acute and sub-acute treatment facilities, residential treatment, and/or residential stepdown beds
- Long-term placement facilities, such as board and care and other residential care
- Psychiatric skilled nursing facilities

Other investments that would improve San Francisco's ability to serve those experiencing homelessness, mental health challenges, and substance use disorder:

- Behavioral health respite facilities, including detox and sobering
- A new centralized Behavioral Health Access Center
- Improvements to existing health facilities

Homelessness Capital Priorities

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Investments build upon DPH and HSH's work to better coordinate and serve high-needs, vulnerable adults experiencing or at risk of chronic homelessness.

Funds will be used to stabilize, acquire, construct, expand and/or improve Permanent Supportive Housing and Emergency Shelters, including:

- Expansion of Permanent Supportive Housing: long-term affordable housing with on-site services for highly vulnerable people exiting chronic homelessness
- Acquisition of leased permanent supportive housing, investing in long-term affordability
- Acquisition of emergency shelter/transitional housing

Proposed (Revised) November 2020 Bond: Health and Homelessness

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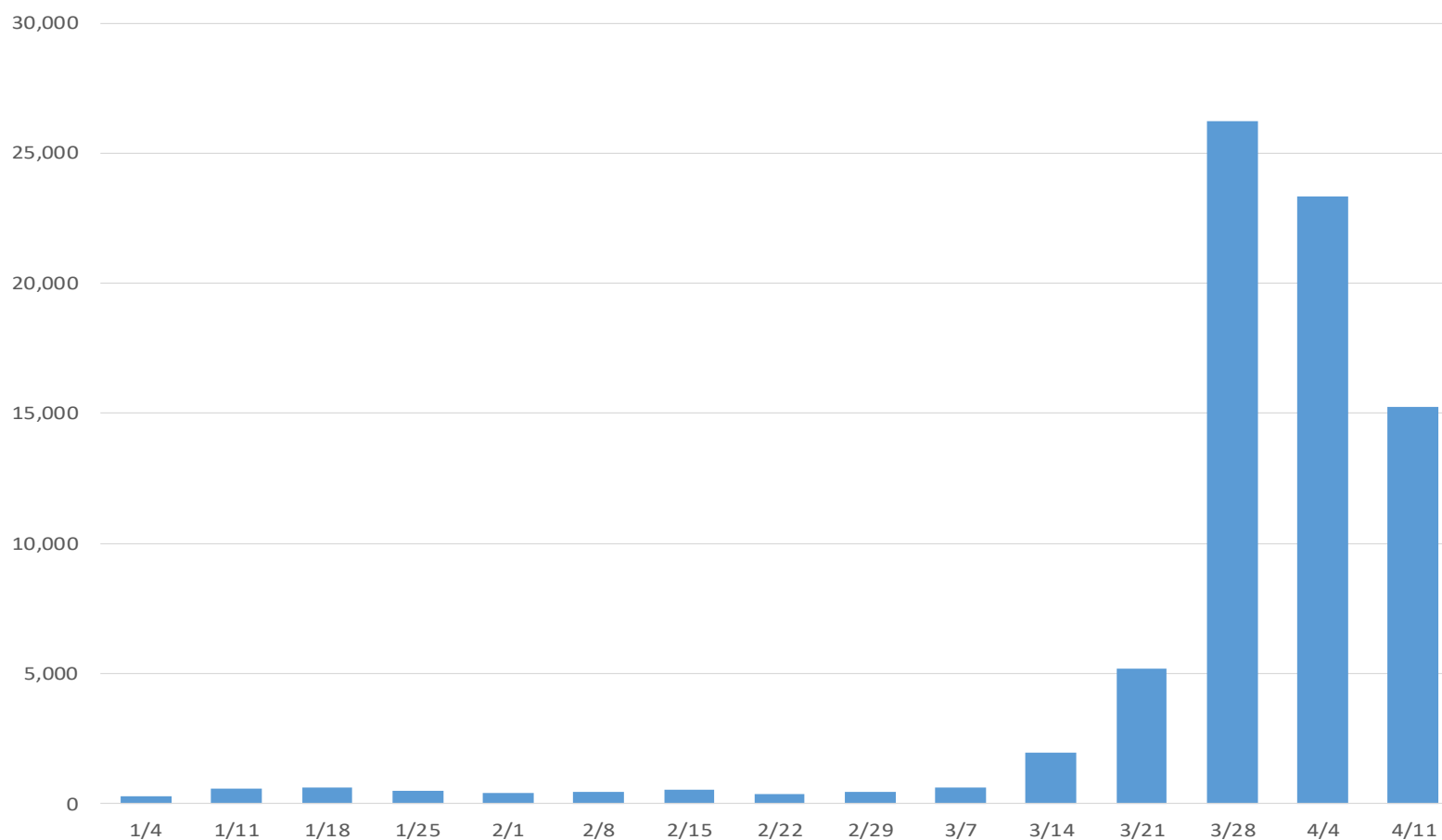
Investment Priorities	\$207M
Permanent supportive housing units, transitional housing, and shelters	
Locked acute and sub-acute treatment facilities, residential treatment facilities, and/or residential stepdown facilities	
Facilities for long-term placements, such as board and care and other residential care	
Psychiatric skilled nursing facilities	
Behavioral health respite facilities	
Detox and sobering facilities	
A new centralized Behavioral Health Access Center	
Existing health facilities	

Recovery/Unemployment Need

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More than 70,000 SF Unemployment Claims Since Mid-March

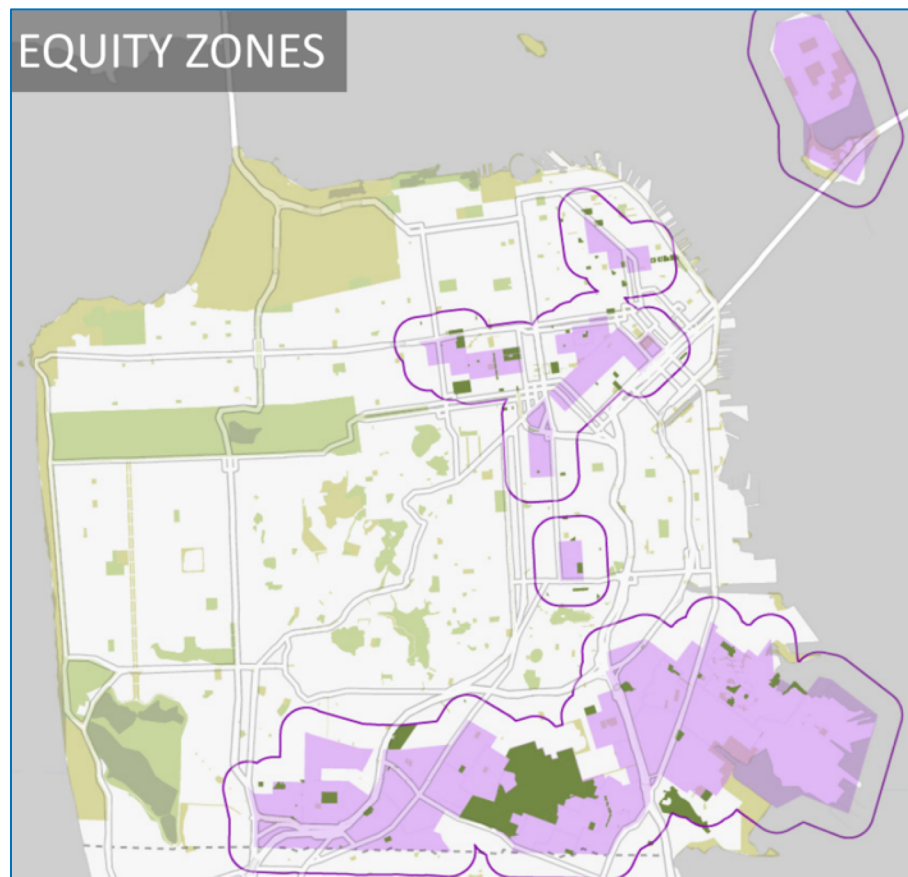
Weekly Initial Claims for Unemployment in San Francisco Since January 2020



Recovery/Parks Capital Portfolio

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4,113 acres of recreational and open space
3,400 acres within San Francisco
671 marina slips
222 neighborhood parks
181 playgrounds and play areas
151 tennis courts
72 basketball courts
82 recreation centers and clubhouses
59 soccer/playfields
37 community gardens
31 natural areas
29 off-leash dog areas
9 swimming pools
6 golf courses
2 stadiums



Recovery/Parks Capital Needs

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- Growing population
- Growing density
- Growing environmental challenges
- Growing disparities
- Growing need for open space, especially in times of crisis



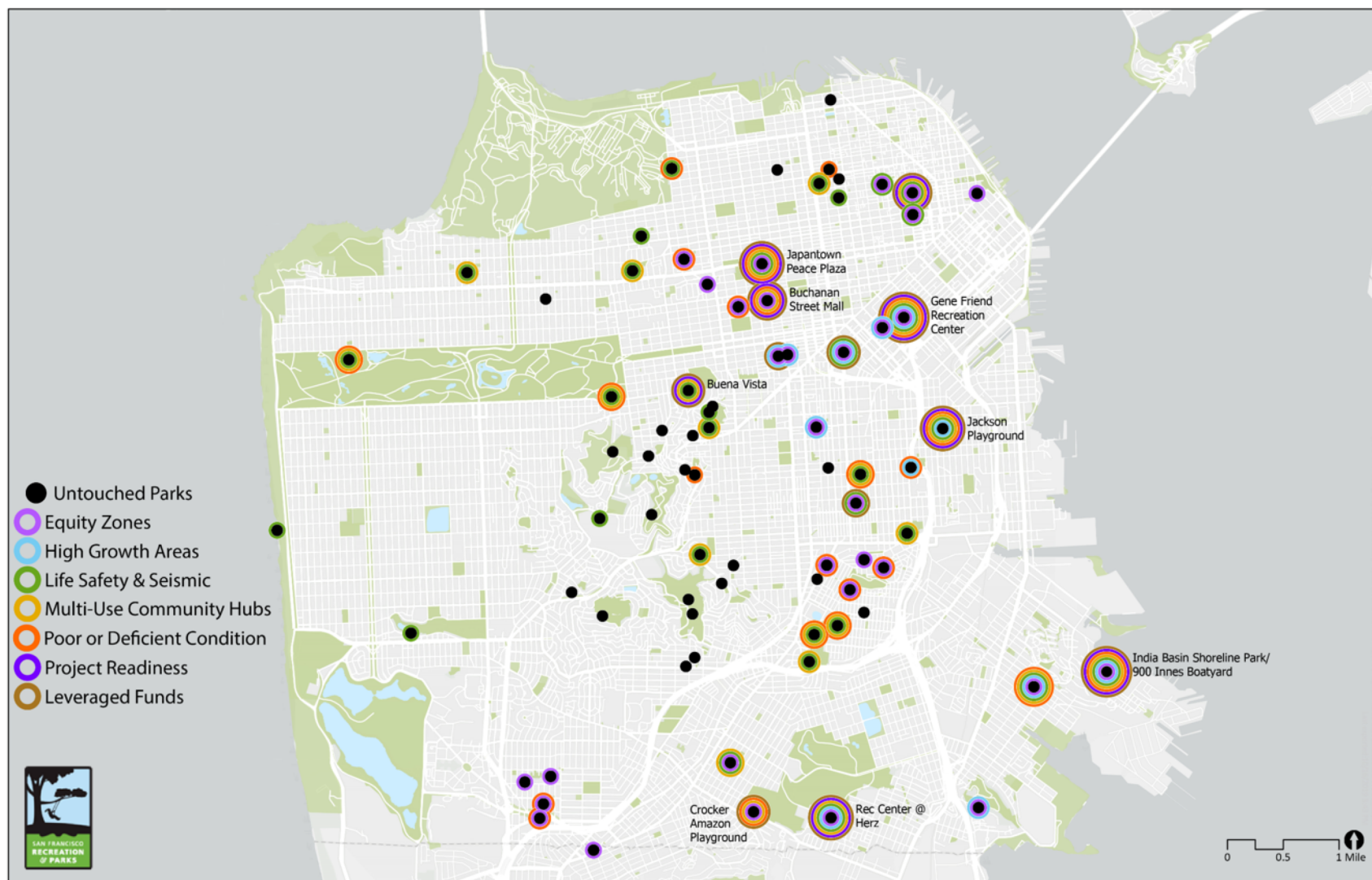
Recovery/Parks Capital Priorities

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Recovery/Parks Capital Needs Analysis

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Proposed (Revised) November 2020 Bond: Parks

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Investment Priorities			\$239M
NAMED PROJECTS	101	PROGRAMS	136
Buchanan Street Mall	2	Citywide Parks	18
Gene Friend Rec Center	30	Recovery Parks (Priorities include Crocker Amazon, Buena Vista, Jackson, Richmond Senior Park, South Sunset & Chinatown)	86
Herz Playground/Sunnydale HOPE SF	10	Sustainability	14
India Basin	29	Playgrounds	9
Japantown Peace Plaza	25	Community Opportunity Fund	6
Contingency – Projects	5	Trails	1
		Community Gardens	0.6
		Contingency - Programs	1.4
ADMINISTRATION	2	Mini-Parks	0

Recovery/Streets and Right-of-Way Need

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San Francisco is responsible for:

- 1,200+ miles of streets
- Approximately 50,000 curb ramp locations
- 371 street structures and 9 plazas

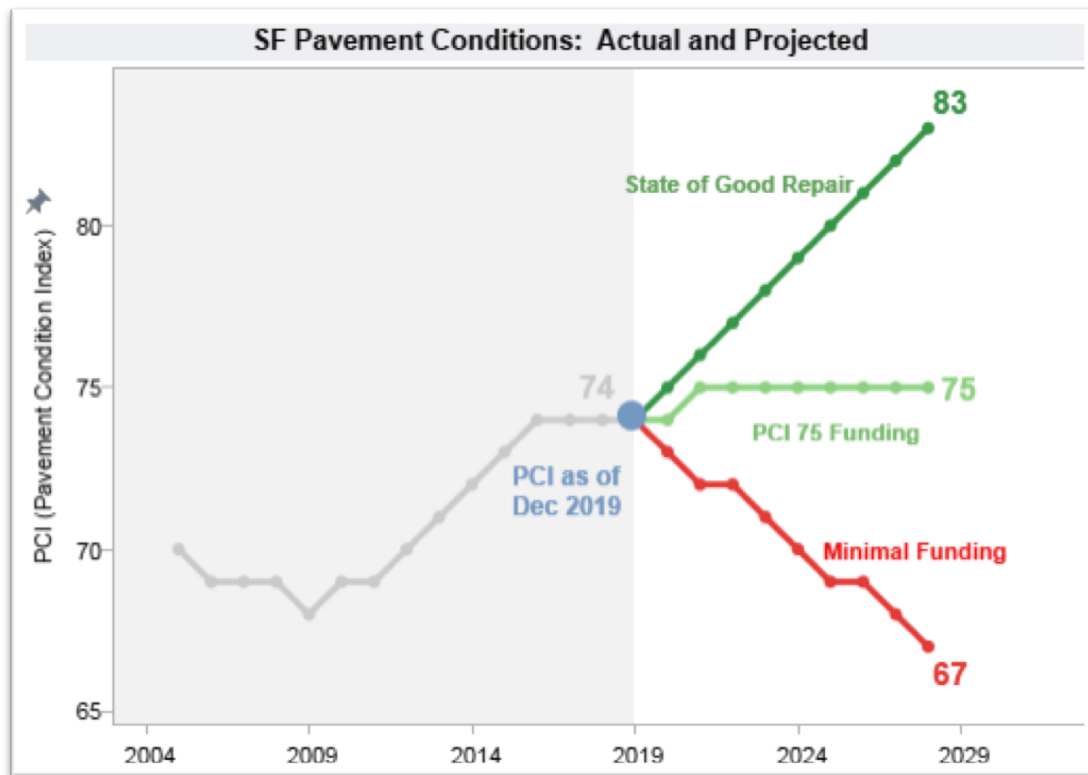


Primary funding source for streets and right-of-way in recent years has been the Pay-Go Program (General Fund and SB1 State gas tax funds).

Delaying investments significantly increases costs of improvements.

Recovery/Pavement Condition Index (PCI)

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PCI Score Legend

- **0 – 49:** Repair/Reconstruction (grind and pave with base repairs)
- **50 – 59:** Resurfacing (grind and pave)
- **60 – 79:** Preservation (surface seal treatments to extend street life)
- **80 – 100:** No improvement needed

- **San Francisco's current Pavement Index Condition (PCI) is 74**
- **Goal is to have a PCI of 75 by 2025**

Recovery/Right-of-Way Priorities

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Street Repaving:

- Pavement Score (PCI)
- Multi-modal Usage
- Project Readiness
- Equitable Geographic Distribution
- Public Inquiries

Curb Ramps:

- Curb Ramp Condition score
- Public inquiries
- Equitable geographic distribution
- Input from disability stakeholders
- Location review by MOD and PW

Street Structures and Plazas:

- Life safety
- Trip and slip hazard
- Code violations
- Slope instability potential
- Level of deterioration
- Usage frequency
- Consideration of alternative ingress/egress routes



Proposed November 2020 Bond Program: Streets and Right-of-Way

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Investment Priorities	\$41.5M
Streets	31.5
Curb Ramps	5
Street Structures	5
TOTAL	41.5

Summary of Changes to the Bond Report (1/2)

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Health and Homelessness:

- Adjust all numbers to match revised program here presented and in the Ordinance
- Correct omission of locked sub-acute treatment facilities and add locked acute treatment facilities, psychiatric skilled nursing facilities, sobering facilities, and transitional housing as eligible uses
- Remove “rebuild” and Chinatown Health Clinic as an eligible use from the Community Health Facilities section and prioritize small-scale repair needs at existing facilities that deliver behavioral health services to vulnerable populations
- Change table and add language to reflect estimated allocation to Permanent Supportive Housing, Transitional Housing, and Shelter Facilities at \$147M and Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder at \$60M, allowing flexibility to prioritize eligible projects as they arise

These changes will be prepared by staff and submitted to the file prior to Committee vote.

Summary of Changes to the Bond Report (2/2)

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Parks:

- Adjust all numbers to match revised program here presented and in the Ordinance
- Update language about eligible uses of Gene Friend surplus to reflect prioritization of Jackson Playground within Recovery Parks
- Add estimated amounts and narrative about additional priorities in Recovery Parks:
 - \$1M Richmond Senior Park
 - \$3M South Sunset
 - \$10M Jackson Playground
 - \$54M Chinatown Parks
- Add urban agriculture as an eligible use in the Sustainability program

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GO Bond Program Proposed Off-Year Update

as approved by CPC 5/11/20

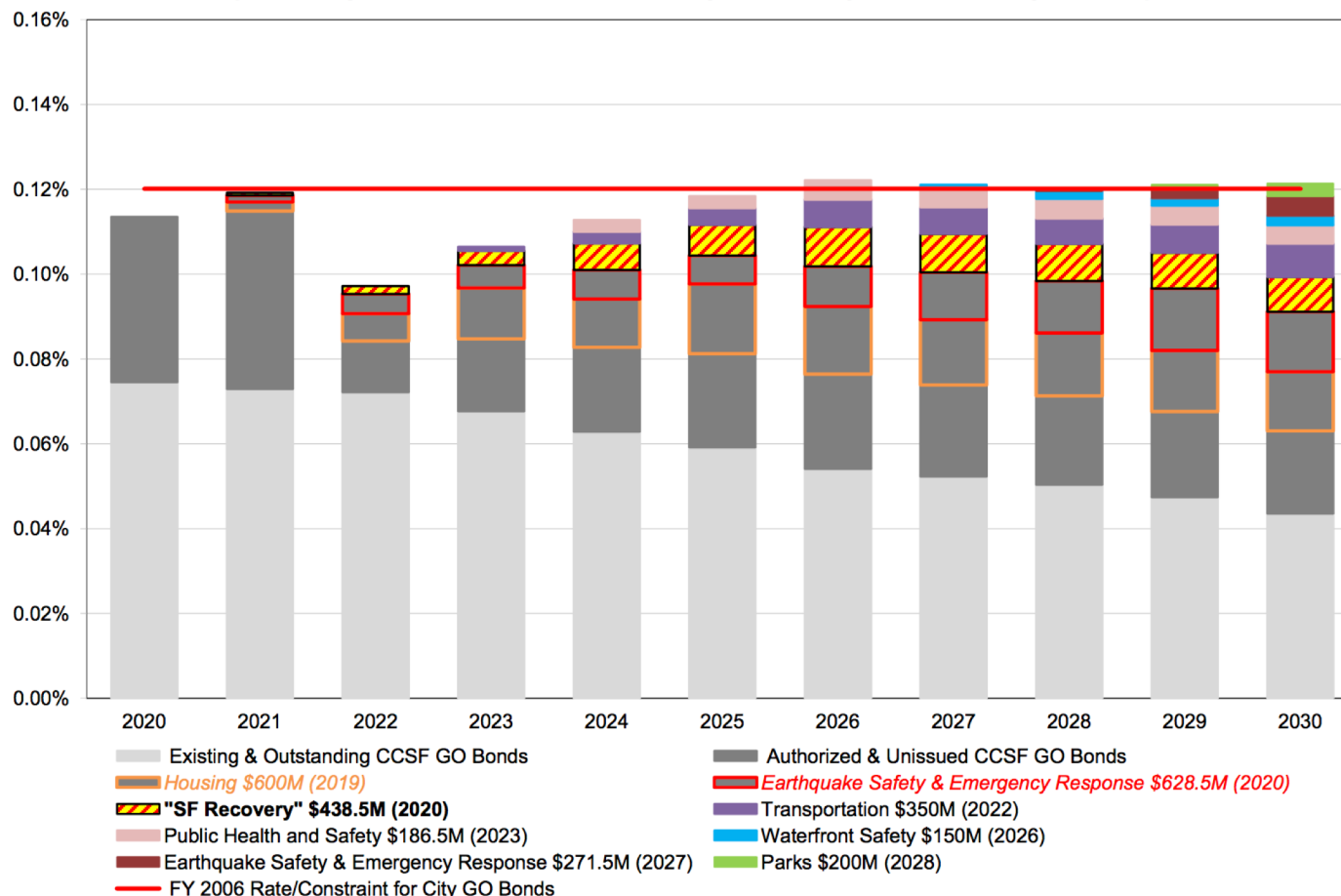
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Nov 2023	Public Health	(was 220) 186.5	- \$33.5M
Nov 2024	Affordable Housing	TBD	
Nov 2026	Waterfront Safety	150	
Nov 2027	ESER	271.5	
Nov 2028	Parks and Open Space	200	
	TOTAL	2,825	

Proposed GO Bond Curve *as approved by CPC*

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Proposed Capital Plan Update GO Bond Program
(Recovery Bond, FY21 debt service, April 2020 Updated AV Projections¹)



1) Projected AV Roll growth rates of 2.31%, 0.07%, 5.65%, 5.95% in FY21-24, respectively, and 3.5% from FY25 on.

GO Bond Program Proposed Off-Year Update

Revised

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Election Date	Program	\$M	Change
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Nov 2024	Affordable Housing	TBD	
Nov 2026	Waterfront Safety	150	
Nov 2027	ESER	271.5	
Nov 2028	Parks and Open Space	(was 200) 151	- \$49M
	TOTAL	2,825	

Next Steps/Calendar

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July 8 – Election deadline for Budget and Finance Committee

July 14 – Election deadline for the Board / 1st reading

July 21 – Election deadline for the Board / 2nd reading and submission to Elections

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Cc: [Kittler, Sophia \(MYR\)](#); [Green, Heather \(ADM\)](#); [Kirkpatrick, Kelly \(MYR\)](#); [ROUX, KENNETH \(CAT\)](#)
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[01447425-Ord.docx](#)

Attached for introduction to the Board of Supervisors is an **ordinance calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City and County of San Francisco on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not-to-exceed \$438,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property, including: facilities to deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants under Administrative Code Chapter 37; providing for the levy and collection of taxes to pay both principal and interest on such Bonds; incorporating the provisions of the Administrative Code relating to the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee's review of Bond expenditures; setting certain procedures and requirements for the election; adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act; and finding that the proposed Bonds are in conformity with the General Plan, and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b).**

[@ROUX, KENNETH \(CAT\)](#), can you please provide approval?

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Rebecca Peacock ([they/she](#))
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*** I am working remotely. Please call me at 267-663-8648 with any questions ****


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MEMORANDUM

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Ben Rosenfield, City Controller, Office of the Controller
Jose Cisneros, Treasurer, Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector

FROM: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk 
Board of Supervisors

DATE: June 23, 2020

SUBJECT: GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND
November 3, 2020 Election

On June 24, 2020, the Board of Supervisors' Budget and Finance Committee amended the following legislation for the November 3, 2020, Election. This matter is being referred to you in accordance with Rules of Order 2.22.4.

File No. 200478

Ordinance calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City and County of San Francisco on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not-to-exceed \$487,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property, including: facilities to house and/or deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase

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File No. 200479

Resolution determining and declaring that the public interest and necessity demand the acquisition or improvement of real property, including: facilities to house and/or deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants under Administrative Code Chapter 37; adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act; and finding that the proposed Bonds are in conformity with the General Plan, and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b).

Please review and submit any reports or comments you wish to be included with the legislative file.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (415) 554-7723 or email: victor.young@sfgov.org. To submit documentation, please forward to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Ben Rosenfield, City Controller, Office of the Controller

FROM: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk *Victor Young*
Board of Supervisors

DATE: June 23, 2020

SUBJECT: GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND
November 3, 2020 Election

On June 24, 2020, the Board of Supervisors' Budget and Finance Committee received the following amended legislation for the November 3, 2020, Election. These matter are being referred to you in accordance with Rules of Order 2.22.3.

File No. 200478

Ordinance calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City and County of San Francisco on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not-to-exceed \$487,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property, including: facilities to house and/or deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants under Administrative Code Chapter 37; providing for the levy and collection of taxes to pay both principal and interest on such Bonds; incorporating the provisions of the Administrative Code relating to the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee's review of Bond expenditures; setting certain procedures and requirements for the election; adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act; and finding that the proposed Bonds are in conformity with the General Plan, and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b).

File No. 200479

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Please review and prepare a financial analysis of the proposed measure prior to the first Rules Committee hearing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (415) 554-7723 or email: victor.young@sfgov.org. To submit documentation, please email or forward to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c: Todd Rydstrom, Deputy City Controller
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June 23, 2020

File Nos. 200478 and 200479

Lisa Gibson
Environmental Review Officer
Planning Department
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Ms. Gibson:

On June 24, 2020, the Budget and Finance Committee amended the following legislation for the November 3, 2020, Election:

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Quality Act; and finding that the proposed Bonds are in conformity with the General Plan, and with the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b).

This legislation is being transmitted to you for environmental review.

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

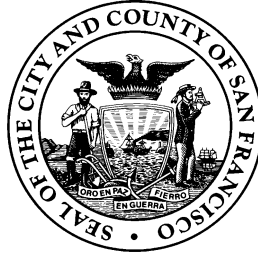
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victor Young".

By: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk

Attachment

c: Devyani Jain, Deputy Environmental Review Officer
Joy Navarrete, Environmental Planning
Don Lewis, Environmental Planning
Laura Lynch, Environmental Planning

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Ben Rosenfield, City Controller, Office of the Controller

FROM: Linda Wong, Assistant Clerk, Budget and Finance Committee
Board of Supervisors

DATE: May 19, 2020

SUBJECT: General Obligation Bond - Health and Recovery
November 3, 2020 Election

The Board of Supervisors' Budget and Finance Committee has received the following for the November 3, 2020, Election, introduced by Mayor London N. Breed on May 12, 2020. These files are being referred to you in accordance with Rules of Order 2.22.3.

File No. 200478

Ordinance calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City and County of San Francisco on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not to exceed \$438,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property, including: facilities to deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; authorizing landlords to pass-through 50% of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants under Administrative Code, Chapter 37; providing for the levy and collection of taxes to pay both principal and interest on such Bonds; incorporating the provisions of the Administrative Code relating to the Citizens' General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee's review of Bond expenditures; setting certain procedures and requirements for the election; adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act; and finding that the proposed Bonds are in conformity with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1(b).

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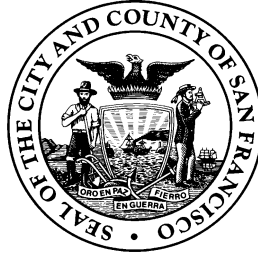
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Please review and prepare a financial analysis of the proposed measure prior to the first Budget and Finance Committee hearing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (415) 554-7719 or email: linda.wong@sfgov.org. To submit documentation, please forward to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c: Todd Rydstrom, Deputy City Controller
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sophia Kittler, Liaison to the Board of Supervisors, Office of the Mayor
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LeeAnn Pelham, Executive Director, Ethics Commission
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Robert Collins, Executive Director, Rent Board
Rich Hillis, Director, Planning Department
Ben Rosenfield, City Controller, Office of the Controller
Jose Cisneros, Treasurer, Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector

FROM: Linda Wong, Assistant Clerk, Budget and Finance Committee
Board of Supervisors

DATE: May 19, 2020

SUBJECT: GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND - HEALTH AND RECOVERY
November 3, 2020 Election

The Board of Supervisors' Budget and Finance Committee has received the following for the November 3, 2020, Election, introduced by Mayor London N. Breed on May 12, 2020. These files are being referred to you in accordance with Rules of Order 2.22.4.

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Please review and submit any reports or comments you wish to be included with the legislative files.

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c: Andres Power, Office of the Mayor
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 Dylan Schneider, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing
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May 19, 2020

File Nos. 200478 and 200279

Lisa Gibson
Environmental Review Officer
Planning Department
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Ms. Gibson:

On May 12, 2020, Mayor London N. Breed introduced the following for the purpose of submitting to San Francisco voters a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of not to exceed \$438,500,000 to finance the acquisition or improvement of real property for the November 3, 2020, Election:

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Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

Linda Wong

By: Linda Wong, Assistant Clerk
Budget and Finance Committee

Attachments

c: Joy Navarrete, Environmental Planner
Don Lewis, Environmental Planner

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June 24, 2020

Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I write in support of the 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond that is being considered for the November 2020 ballot. The COVID-19 global pandemic has changed California's and San Francisco's economic and financial situation. We cannot weather this storm alone; the 2020 Bond will allow San Francisco to come together and jumpstart an economic recovery to hopefully create opportunities for all.

The 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond will prioritize shovel-ready projects delivering essential government services, support economic recovery through job creation for San Franciscans, provide one-time funding for behavioral health and health access, while prioritizing basic infrastructure investments in our parks and recreation facilities and right-of-way infrastructure so people can get back to work quickly and help San Francisco recover.

During this pandemic, we have seen record numbers of San Franciscans seeking solace and refuge in our City Parks for exercise and better mental health. The 2020 Bond has identified several park, open space, and recreation facilities and improvement projects that address a range of benefits for residents and employees to increase quality of life, mental well-being and physical health.

Should voters approve this bond measure, funds will be allocated to important projects such as the Buchanan Street Mall, Gene Friend Recreation Center, Herz Playground, and the Japantown Peace Plaza. I'm also excited that the India Basin Project will be included; as an Assemblymember, I have championed that opportunity for a once-in-a-generation new shoreline park to revitalize and unite a series of existing and poorly conditioned waterfront open space in the City's southeast neighborhoods.

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I do understand that there has been a question about whether the long-needed renovation of Chinatown's Portsmouth Square could be included in the 2020 Bond. Since my days as District 3 Supervisor, I have long championed the need for the renovation of the "living room" of Chinatown, the most densely populated urban area west of Manhattan, and hope that there's a way for that project to be included.

I hope you can move the 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond forward to the November 2020 Ballot. Thank you for your support of our parks and our City.

Sincerely,

David Chiu
Assemblymember, District 17

From: [Lillian Tang](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); alow@perkinscoie.com
Subject: Portsmouth Square 2020 Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Thursday, June 25, 2020 7:14:17 PM

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June 25, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA, 94102

Dear Supervisors, I am writing to urge the Board of Supervisors to include Portsmouth Square as part of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

Portsmouth Square is a space for many of the SRO residents to stretch, interact, and socialize. A lot of seniors go there everyday to get fresh air and talk with other people. Portsmouth Square is an essential space in San Francisco's Chinatown. A renovation for this park is long overdue. It deserves to be included in the list of renovations.

From: [Kelly Ma](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); Alow@perkinscoie.com
Subject: Portsmouth Square 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Thursday, June 25, 2020 7:11:47 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to urge the Board of Supervisor to include Portsmouth Square as part of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. As a recent immigrant and a Chinatown resident, Portsmouth Square is definitely a significant place for all the residents here since it's an amazing open space for people to interact with each other especially when lots of seniors are living in SROs. Renovating the park can encourage more residents to use and enjoy their time at the park, while giving the community more space and a safer platform for socializing. I strongly encourage you to include Portsmouth in the bond and bring a better space for the Chinatown residents.

Best,
Kelly Ma

From: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Portsmouth Square 2020 Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Friday, July 10, 2020 2:33:37 PM

From: Mchugh, Eileen (BOS) <eileen.e.mchugh@sfgov.org>
Sent: Thursday, July 9, 2020 7:56 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org>
Subject: FW: Portsmouth Square 2020 Health and Recovery Bond

Whoops! Missed one!

Eileen

From: Lucas Chin <lucasmchin@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 7:08 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>; Yee, Norman (BOS) <norman.yee@sfgov.org>; Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Peskin, Aaron (BOS) <aaron.peskin@sfgov.org>; Alow@perkinscoie.com
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June 25, 2020

San Francisco Board of a Supervisors
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1 Dr. Carlton B. goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to urge the Board of Supervisor to include Portsmouth Square as part of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. Portsmouth Square is a valuable asset to the community and provides a place for seniors to hang out and interact with others. There hasnt been lots of development regarding portsmouth square so I think it would benefit from the 2020 health and Recovery Bond.

Thank you for your time
Lucas Chin

From: [Roy Yu](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); Alow@perkinscoie.com
Subject: Portsmouth Square 2020 Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Thursday, June 25, 2020 7:18:52 PM

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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to urge the Board of Supervisor to include Portsmouth Square as part of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

Portsmouth Square is a huge part of San Francisco Chinatown. I really enjoy going to this park and it has a huge impact on others living in Chinatown as well. Portsmouth Square has been known to have issues and I feel like it's important to include the park since it's essential to Chinatown.

-Roy Yu

From: carylito@aol.com
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Subject: Re: HEALTH AND RECOVERY BOND
Date: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:21:18 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

I have been not only a resident of this City for over 40 years but have been active in the economic and historic preservation of our Japantown here. It is important that the full 25 million allocated for the Peace Plaza renovations remain included in this Bond that you will be reviewing on Tues. This renovation projects has been long overdue after a number of efforts to correct some major repairs by DPW and the Dept. of Rec and Parks which were not completed with their contractual expectations.

This Peace Pagoda serves as an iconic symbol of international friendship relations with Japan and this Plaza serves as one of the few open spaces in the Western Addition, D5.

I urge you all to support not just this important Bond but to support the full funding of 25 million to renovate this important space in our City.

Thank you for your consideration,

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From: [Nikki Taura](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: Peace Plaza
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:23:15 PM

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June 9, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
[1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place](#)
[San Francisco, CA 94102](#)

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a former resident of Japantown and current community member, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. My husband is a small business owner in Japantown and my daughter attends the preschool there, Nihonmachi Little Friends. My father-in-law also worked at the local grocery store there pre-covid 19, we all used to live in Japantown, and we are members of the JCCNC center there as well. As a 4th generation Japanese American, Peace Plaza is an important space for us as a community and for our future generations.

The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Nikki Taura
SFUSD 3rd Grade Teacher
Sheridan Elementary School

cc:

Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org

Alisa.somera@sfgov.org

Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org

info@japantowntaskforce.org

From: [h.kitano](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: Allocation for the Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 10:10:44 AM

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Members of the Board of Supervisors:

i urge you to support the allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza in the proposed Health and Recover Bond Measure.

The historic core of Japantown was demolished and replaced with the Japan Center in 1968.

The Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance and designated the Peace Plaza area as open space.

The Department of Park & Recreation took complete ownership in 1989 through eminent domain.

Japantown celebrated its 100th Anniversary in 2006.

The Peace Plaza represents the past, present and future of the Japanese community in San Francisco.

Again, i urge you to support the current allocation for the Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond

Thank you

hisashi kitano
65 year resident

From: [Elise Phillips](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: info@japantowntaskforce.org; [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org
Subject: The Peace Plaza restoration
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 11:00:21 AM

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There are few public spaces in San Francisco that are more tightly woven into the surrounding community than Japantown's Peace Plaza. It is surrounded by a vital commercial hub, but most important, it serves as the stage for such events as the annual Cherry Blossom Festival.

But the Peace Plaza needs restoration in order to properly serve its community. The plan under consideration will make this area more welcoming to the daily visitor. It also addresses safety and damage concerns.

The plan needs to be funded now.

Thank you for your continued support of San Francisco's neighborhoods.

Elise Phillips
2855 Washington Street
94115

From: [Louis Quan](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Mchugh, Eileen \(BOS\)](#); info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: Support for Peace Plaza Renovation
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 11:16:44 AM
Attachments: [Peace Plaza Letter of Support to Board of Supervisors.pdf](#)

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Please see enclosed letter of support for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation project.

Respectfully,

Louis Quan
Sherwood Forest
94127-1615

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San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I have been Involved in the Japantown community for the past 40 years, and the involvement of my family with organizations such as Morning Star School, Boy Scouts, Buddhist Church youth sports group, JCCCNC, JCYC, and attending and volunteering at Cherry Blossom and Nihonmachi events have been invaluable and irreplaceable life experiences. The pandemic has caused catastrophic financial hardships on the community, and the full \$25 million Peace Plaza renovation project is vital to the recovery of Japantown. I urge you to vote for the full amount to help rebuild the aging infrastructure of one of only 3 Japantowns in the U.S.

Respectfully,

Louis Quan
Lifetime San Francisco Resident

From: [Norman Fong](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); Alow@perkinscole.com
Subject: Include Portsmouth Square
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Attached Letter from Rev. Norman Fong to members of the Board of Supervisors



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San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to urge the Board of Supervisor to include Portsmouth Square as part of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. Although I recently retired from Chinatown CDC, I still remember all the advocacy & community meetings & the hundreds of community meetings, rallies & events of our historic open space for Chinatown & the city. The revitalization of Portsmouth Square is one of the most important projects planned for San Francisco & Chinatown.

Since half of Chinatown's residents live in Single Room Occupancies (SROs), this Open Space at Portsmouth Square has become our community's "Living Room" for the most densely populated area in California. It is obviously a "High needs" area that deserves special attention from this city. Please include the planned Portsmouth Square renovations which took so many years of planning and super community engagement! Our community will say – we came to all those hearings & workshops... "How can we be ignored?"

Portsmouth Square is Chinatown's largest open space, serving as an essential recreational park and an iconic and historic civic plaza for the oldest Chinatown in America. With the pandemic devastating our economy & increased needs for more open space in light of our SROs, we need to maximize that space now & cannot wait for another generation to pass on by if the 2018 design is not executed within the current bond proposal. Chinatown needs your support and action in putting Portsmouth Square in the 2020 health and recovery bond.

Rev. Norman Fong
Parish Associate for the Presbyterian Church in Chinatown
Retired Executive Director of Chinatown CDC

From: [Steve Ward](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: SF Health and Recovery Bond
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Board of Supervisors

RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in support of the 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond that is being considered for the November 2020 ballot. The COVID-19 global pandemic has changed California's and San Francisco's economic and financial situation. We cannot weather this storm alone; the 2020 Bond will allow San Francisco to come together and begin an economic recovery that will create opportunities for all.

Steve Ward
La Playa Park Coalition

From: [Sophie Constantinou](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 2020 Health and Recovery Support Letters
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 12:57:46 PM
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Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors;

We wanted to share passionate community support for the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. In particular we'd like to emphasize that the Buchanan Mall in the Western Addition is a most vital project. For over five years neighbors have come together, crossing turf lines and confronting entrenched divisions, to imagine and design an equitable space that could serve the needs of the community.

Imagine how the public health, recreational and economic needs of the mostly low-income, mostly African-American residents who live adjacent to the Mall would be met. The Buchanan Mall is physically and emotionally shovel ready. We urge you to recognize the hard work of community organizing, community vision and consensus powered by local people. Support from the 2020 Bond would not right all historical wrongs, but it would chart a way forward for recovery *with* and *for* local residents who have a deep historical relationship to the City and its culture.

With gratitude
The Buchanan Change Team

Sophie Constantinou

Citizen Film 1426 Fillmore St. #201, SF CA 94115 www.citizenfilm.org 415-378-6085



June 10, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the Buchanan Change coalition of 33 community-based organizations and many hundreds of Western Addition residents, we are pleased to provide these letters, petitions and symbols of the overwhelming and passionate community support for renovation of the Buchanan Mall. With great passion and overwhelming community gratitude, we appreciate the Buchanan Mall being named in the upcoming 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. We understand that the \$2 million dollars stated on the bond will be matched by several funding sources to renovate the first of five blocks in the mostly low-income, mostly African-American community.

In **2014** community members working and living adjacent to the Buchanan Mall came together and developed a Design Task Force of **36 community leaders** to imagine a park that reflected the neighborhood. We started with **four** organizations - Green Streets, Citizen Film, the Exploratorium and Trust for Public Land – and worked with San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department for over a year to dynamically activate the Mall. Now we have the full participation and engagement of an additional **29** community-based organizations. The leadership of these groups meets regularly, and we have held meetings and discussions with residents in every one of the **ten** multi-family public housing facilities adjacent to the Mall. During the last five years we have produced near monthly events and activities in the park as well as commissioned a community driven mural and dozens of documentary stories.

The 2020 Bond support will chart a way forward for evidence-based renovation *with and for* local residents who have a deep historical relationship to the City and its culture. This community deserves a world class park, forged from the vision of its own residents as a sign of hope and opportunity that honors the heritage of the many generations of residents who have shaped the neighborhood's distinctive culture and call the Western Addition home.

The Buchanan Mall is physically and emotionally shovel ready. We urge you to recognize the hard work of community organizing, community vision and consensus powered by local people.

We hope you will join the Buchanan Change coalition in seizing an unprecedented opportunity to make the City of San Francisco a model of responsiveness to its African-American residents for years to come.

Sincerely,
The Buchanan Change Team

June 10, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors;

I'm reaching out to touch bases with you about the Park Bond and how it relates to Buchanan Mall.

Honestly, after seeing how funds are allocated for various projects it sends a unfortunate message to not only myself but the people on the Mall of how our pain or the healing of that pain is being prioritized. We have worked diligently to, rebuild trust, inspire hope, and created an action plan based upon what we heard from the community. The Buchanan Mall Project gives hope to a better future to a people who still deal with the trauma of the past and currently today find themselves either not included or not supported to be able to sustain in an evolving San Francisco . Over the past six years we have created value around community in a place that previously lacked community love. We've shown great effort, progress , and patience . We shown the power of collaboration and how impactful that work can be when we invest in the people.



This work in my community means personal and professional development of those coming behind me. For the healing and spirit of those before me who seen their neighborhood change before their eyes and don't know what that means for them and their families in the future. I brought a lot of pain to the Buchanan Mall and I'm dedicated to backing that accountability with action. In 2008 I was sent to prison for a shooting on Fulton St. To stand there now it is not to hurt but to inform, inspire, and serve as living proof . Showing my generation and those behind us that we can make change. As I type this to you this morning we suffered the loss of another young man from my neighborhood to gun violence. From City Hall to Alamo Square and from Alamo to the East towards Geary St. In between sits a different environment. Around us everything is changing sending many who have been here their whole lives a message that we don't belong. The Buchanan Mall has the ability to be a safe haven that will create an environment of love, safety, resources, and opportunity. I can walk through my neighborhood and see how things look on Octavia St, the environment that's created around Duboce Park and Fillmore St. Why can't we create that in the Mall? Don't we deserve the opportunity to have a place where we can experience business, community and a peace of mind? What message are we sending to our youth? The opportunity to have hope should be supported when you show your city that you have youth, adults, and seniors all on board. The steps taken today will create the opportunities for tomorrow to inspire the next generation and the next .

I hope my words have impact and we can see some changes that support the vision. I'm here and committed to the long haul of creating what we set out to do six years ago.

Sincerely,
Tyrone Mullins
Executive Director, Green Streets



AFRICAN AMERICAN
ART & CULTURE
COMPLEX

June 1, 2020

To whom it may concern;

We at the African American Art and Culture Complex express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

Located in the historic Fillmore Jazz District, AAACC is one of the premier African American arts and cultural institutions in the San Francisco Bay Area. As the only City-owned arts and cultural center in San Francisco dedicated to Afrocentric culture, traditions, and values, AAACC is an integral part of the African-American community's social fabric and the city of San Francisco's cultural landscape. The Buchanan Mall is one the main pathways for access to the Center.

Our mission, as a community based non-profit 501c3 arts and cultural organization, is to nurture and facilitate the empowerment of our community through Afro-centric artistic and cultural expression, mediums, education, and programming. AAACC is dedicated to encouraging, supporting and promoting the work of aspiring Bay Area artists and developing partnerships with like-minded organizations that are similarly committed to our mission-driven objectives, such as the Buchanan Mall Project. We have partnered with Citizen Film to present events around the development of the Buchanan Mall such as a hosting community feedback session.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

The AAACC has partnered to provide mural artists for art projects in the Buchanan Mall, along with continued support of ongoing improvement efforts in order to contribute to a beautiful space for all in the surrounding areas of the cultural center.

Best in Arts and Community,

Melonie Green
Co-Executive Director

Melorra Green
Co-Executive Director



African American Historical & Cultural Society

June 4, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr Carlton B Goodlett Pl #244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

The San Francisco African American Historical & Cultural Society (the “Society”) enthusiastically supports the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents in each Supervisorial District of San Francisco our members believe that funding for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco is vitally important. Of particular interest to us is support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and activating this public space through art-based festivities.

Since it's founding in 1955 the Society's mission has been to document, preserve and present true accounts of the contributions African Americans and other people of African descent have made to San Francisco. For many years the Society has been housed at the African American Art and Culture Complex which is adjacent to the Buchanan Mall. Annually, the Society sponsors Black History Month programs, activities and exhibits – including the Kickoff of Black History Month on the first Friday of February in the Rotunda at City Hall. In 2019 and 2020 the Society partnered with Citizen Film to produce films related to the national themes – Black Migrations and the Black Vote.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that supports healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of

that to the people our organization serves, to the residents who live next to this park and indeed to all who live, work and recreate in San Francisco.

The Society urges you to support the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. Also, come visit us at the Complex. We'd be happy to take you on a tour of the Mall.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Al Williams', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Al Williams, President

Cc: Phil Ginsburg, General Manager
Recreation and Parks Department

June 9, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors;

It is a pleasure to write this letter in support of the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond and in particular the named park project, the Buchanan Mall.

We are very excited to promote a revitalized Buchanan Mall as both an artistic corridor and safe public space for community activities that will enhance to quality of life for the entire neighborhood.

I was invited to participate in the first phase of designing the Mall. There were weekly meetings where Citizen Film led community discussions on the overall project. They were very inclusive in the process and incorporated many of the suggestions into the final design. Citizen Film was just as inclusive throughout Phase 2: creating community activities, especially in the arts.

AfroSolo Theatre Company's mission is to nurture, promote, and present African American and African Diaspora art and culture through solo performances and the literary and visual arts. Since 1993, we have provided a forum to give an authentic voice to the diverse experiences of Black people in the Americas. Through art, we bring people of different ethnicities together to explore and share the human spirit that binds us all.

Over the past three years, we have worked closely with the Buchanan Mall consortium to imagine and promote programming on the Mall and in the AAACC's performance spaces. We look forward to continuing this collaboration in the years ahead. AfroSolo has a twenty-two year history of creating thought-provoking theatrical experiences and discourse on African American culture and identity. Our annual AfroSolo Arts Festival, a celebration of artists giving voice to the Black experience, presents works in a variety of mediums and in a variety of indoor and outdoor spaces. Since 1999, we have also have had a Community Engagement component that focused on issues important to our community, such issues as; health, social justice, civil rights and prison reform.

We are located in the African American Art & Culture Complex, an anchor institution of the Buchanan Mall. We look forward to continuing to work with the Buchanan Mall consortium of partners in the next phase of Buchanan Stories / Buchanan Change with your support.

Thomas Simpson
Artistic Director
AfroSolo Theater Company





Dear Board of Supervisors,

We at African-American Shakespeare Company express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As a voter and resident of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

African-American Shakespeare Company is a cultural arts institution located in the Western Addition/Fillmore neighborhood within the African-American Art & Culture Complex. Our organization has found a home in this neighborhood where the Buchanan Mall is adjacent to our office. Our organization has partnered with CitizenFilm to activate the space with cultural engagement as a means to bring community and artists together. The development of the Buchanan Mall I love to sit under the structures on a summer day and enjoy the smell of jasmine plants growing. At night time during the fall, there are white lights strung along the mall for a whimsical feel. The work that has been put into the Mall is incredible and deserves the attention of the City to have Bond funding to support the Buchanan Mall park.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

Sincerely,

Sherri Young
Executive Director

African-American Shakespeare Company
762 Fulton Street, Suite 306
San Francisco, CA 94102



June 1, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors;

We at Booker T. Washington Community Service Center express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts-based festivities activating this public space.

Throughout the course of its existence, the BTWCSC mission has been to support and maintain a healthy and vibrant community offering services and programs designed to reduce social, health, economic and education disparities that challenge the people we serve. BTWCSC programs, services and advocacy result in a more vibrant art, educational and recreational field trips, tutoring, mentoring and spring, winter and summer day camps. We are close in proximity to Buchanan Mall and we support the improvements needed in the park.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

Sincerely,

Chris Shelton
Director of Operations
Booker T. Washington Community Service Center
www.btwcsc.org



June 1, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

We at Collective Impact and Mo'MAGIC express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

Mo'MAGIC and Collective Impact programs are facilitated in the Ella Hill Hutch Community Center, which is located in the middle of the Buchanan Mall at Webster and Buchanan St. Ella Hill Hutch Community Center is an anchor institution providing job placement and training, education and literacy services, and community hub. Collective Impact has continued the legacy by providing a safe haven for children, youth, and their families. Mo' MAGIC is a collaborative convening of over 30 member organizations who holistically serve low-income children, youth, and families, particularly prioritizing people of color and the African American community.

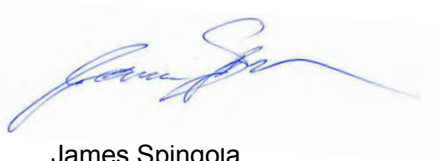
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The improvements to the Buchanan Mall has just been amazing to witness. Our community members now feel a sense of safety and pride because of the remodel of Buchanan mall over the last few years. Students are able to walk home from school and see beautiful flowers, fresh food that is being harvested in the mall, and just overall a

clean part of their neighborhood. The lights that hang in Buchanan Mall, the meaningful and symbolic murals, and the gardens have really improved the life of the community.

Sincerely,

Brittany Ford
Director, Mo'MAGIC



James Spingola
Interim Executive Director
Collective Impact



Brittany Ford
Director
Mo'MAGIC



Nancy Bolmeier Fisher
Chair, Board of Directors
Collective Impact

June 8, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

We at Friendship Village express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

Friendship Village is one of the seven affordable housing properties next to the Buchanan Mall. We are located between Buchanan and Fillmore Street in the Western Addition. Friendship Village is a Multi-family housing complex that has 158 units and over 300 residents. Many of our residents are seniors and our complex conjoins into the Buchanan Mall. We at the housing complex feel that this will be a great opportunity to bring our community and seniors together. The Buchanan Mall is a great asset that has been under-utilized over the years and getting our residents out of their units to socialize with fellow residents and having an outdoor space is a great start.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

The much needed improvements at Buchanan Mall will provide a positive space for our residents and the local community in general. Its beautification will give a sense of pride and foster socialization and community engagement. It will be a great benefit to all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bridget Carter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bridget Carter
Friendship Village, Inc.



June 1, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

We at CommunityGrows express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

CommunityGrows is a garden and nutrition education nonprofit based out of the Western Addition. Our main office is in the African American Arts and Culture Complex, which is right next to the Buchanan Mall, and two of our partner schools are on either side of the Mall (Rosa Parks ES and John Muir ES). We have worked with Citizen Film and the Buchanan Mall partners for many years to help support garden maintenance and some of the community events that happen on the Mall - these organizations have worked hard to create an activated, outdoor space for the community and their events are such an important way to connect with neighbors and bring joy to the space. In addition, our BEETS (paid teen employment program) uses the space as part of their programming, to learn about environmental justice and stewardship, and to take part in community events. These spaces are so necessary and this project deserves support.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

One experience on the Mall that stands out to the CG team is when two planter boxes were built on each side of the Fulton block. It stands out not just because it adds beauty to the space and provides free produce and herbs to the neighbors, but also because the day the planters

were built there was a large volunteer event that brought together people from the community. A large pile of dirt was placed in the center of the block, and adults and kids worked together to fill up the new boxes and plant vegetables and flowers to beautify the space. It was a really lovely and positive day.

Sincerely,

Karen Lally
CommunityGrows



June 8, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, I am writing to express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. We believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

The Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy is the nonprofit membership organization created to protect and make accessible the Golden Gate National Parks. In partnership with Mo'Magic programs, we bring youth, families, and seniors on trips to local National Park sites, such as Lands End, Alcatraz, Muir Woods, the Presidio, and Marin Headlands.

We also support Mo'Magic in the Western Addition neighborhood and on the Buchanan Mall. For example, we participate in Mo'Magic's annual Backpack Giveaway and senior health and wellness programs at Rosa Parks Senior Center. Through these and other programs, we have come to know and appreciate the priceless value of the Buchanan Mall space. It is open, cared for, and relied upon by local residents. Now, more than ever in this COVID-19 crisis, local parks are needed for the physical and mental health of our citizens. Although we work directly for the National Park sites in our city, we are dedicated to our mission of "Parks for All" where parks are close to home and most critically needed.

The Buchanan Mall and the organizations that support it are ready to provide the much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. The 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond can provide the funding to meet this long over-due need. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. Thank you for joining us to support the Buchanan Mall and its neighbors.

Sincerely yours,

Jennifer Greene

Director, Partnerships and Community Engagement
Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy



London Breed, Mayor
Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager

June 1, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

We at Hamilton Recreation Center express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

Hamilton Recreation Center provides cultural, social and athletic activities for the community. We are located close to Buchanan Mall. It is a great asset to the community.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

The mural that was unveiled this year is a great asset and part of the history of the Western Addition.

Sincerely,

Renee Strong
Facility Coordinator
Hamilton Recreation Center





June 1, 2020

To whom it may concern;

We at Honey Art Studio express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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Honey Art Studio provides arts and craft activities for children, adults, church communities and corporate team building. We use art to build community while promoting creativity. The founder of Honey Art Studio grew up in the SF Fillmore District, among the impoverished African American population. Honey uses art to inspire hope, change and a sense of ownership among the often overlooked population. Honey is a mobile art company, we host regular art activities at the Gene Suttle Plaza on Fillmore and O'Farrell, just blocks from the Buchanan Mall.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

Growing up in the community, Buchanan Mall represented so much; it was a gathering place, birthday parties were hosted right there, it was an area where drug transactions took place, families walked through to get to the local grocery store, school, work and just everyday activities. Both hopelessness and celebration were represented. A remodel for thriving activities would honor so much for members of the community both past and present.

Sincerely,

Ericka Scott

June 6, 2020

Re: HVNA Support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond

To Whom It May Concern,

The Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association (HVNA) wishes to express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. We believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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The Hayes Valley neighborhood includes the southern portion of the Buchanan Mall. HVNA has worked since the early 1990s to advocate for neighborhood improvements, starting with the removal of the Central Freeway and creation of Octavia Blvd. We also focused on creating and improving public spaces in HayesValley including Patricia's Green, Koshland Park, Hayes Valley Playground and the Rose/Page Mini Park. We've seen the benefits these parks offer to the community and we strongly support our neighbors efforts to advocate for a better park.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

Sincerely,



Craig N. Hamburg, President
Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association

cc: Jennifer Laska, HVA Vice President
Barbara Early, HVNA Corresponding Secretary



June 1, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr Carlton B Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

We at Handful Players express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco, we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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Handful Players, a performing arts education organization, has been working with and serving youth and families in the Western Addition for over 13 years. We understand the importance and fundamental benefits of providing spaces that are safe and environments that inspire creative expression and cultural artistry.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

We look forward to staging performances by the youth in the Buchanan Mall to build peaceful and diverse community.

With a handful of hope,

Judith Cohen
Executive Director

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Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

We at New Community Leadership Foundation express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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Our mission is to civically engage Black and other disenfranchised communities through cultural upliftment, bridging social gaps, historic preservation, economic development, personal growth and artistic empowerment. NCLF is rooted in the Fillmore, our board president lives at Rosa Parks Senior Center as well as an at-large board member, which is situated next to Buchanan Mall between Golden Gate and Turk. Our office is located two blocks from Buchanan Mall.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

It is critical to create walkable spaces in the Fillmore community and Buchanan Mall is a

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absolutely necessary starting point. The historic Fillmore area is almost completely covered with high-injury intersection and corridors. All intersection surrounding Buchanan Mall is a high-injury corridor. Webster Street which is a half block West and runs parallel with Buchanan Mall is listed as a high injury corridor. Turk Street which passes through the heart of the Fillmore and the middle of Buchanan Mall is a high-injury corridor. Last year the Board of Supervisors declared a State of Emergency on Pedestrian and Bicyclist injuries and these intersections and corridors were identified as areas with concentrations of severe/fatal pedestrian injuries. The Buchanan Mall is surrounded by public housing and senior centers which has a high concentration of youth, families and seniors. Buchanan Mall creates a urgent need and opportunity to create safe walking spaces for residents to play, walk, exercise, travel and get fresh air.

The Fillmore has long felt the blunt of racist transportation policies that prioritized more white and affluent residents in the Richmond and Sunset District over those in the inner city. In fact, the first “Urban Renewal” project in the Fillmore/Western Addition was designed to widen Geary Blvd in order to provide residents of the Richmond District a more efficient way of reaching their jobs in the downtown area of San Francisco. As a result, thousands of Black and Japanese residents were displaced in the 1960s and hundreds of businesses bulldozed. 108 acres were bulldozed, of which 37 acres were streets, 43 acres were residential, and 15 acres were for commercial or industrial uses. The 2nd phase of Urban Renewal bulldozed 40 square blocks, which is when Buchanan Mall was built. The Fillmore was one of the most walkable neighborhoods in the 1960s and this was destroyed by racist government policies.

Today the corridors in the Fillmore are used for high-speed traffic so residents can fly through the Fillmore to get to work and back from the Richmond District, Sunset and other affluent neighborhoods. The Buchanan Mall has long been neglected and never truly realized as a way to mitigate the communities’ risk for pedestrians. Now is the time to fully commit to the Buchanan Mall through investment to help undo years of racist government policies in the Fillmore.

Sincerely,

Majeid Crawford

Majeid Crawford
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PRINCE HALL COMPUTER LEARNING CENTER

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Dear General Manager Phil Ginsburg,

We at Prince Hall Computer Learning Center express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway. In 2015, five partners - the Trust for Public Land, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the Exploratorium, Green Streets, and Citizen Film - initiated design of a temporary set of installation to activate the Buchanan Mall. For the last five years the neighborhood has been telling their stories, sharing history between generations and through arts based festivities activating this public space.

The Prince Hall Computer Learning Center is a center that services low income families in and around the Western Addition. We offer computer access and activities to the residents of Prince Hall Apartments and community. We also provide an after school program for youth from k – 8th grade we also have all day summer program for youth. The Buchanan Mall is 1 block away from our program.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

The Buchanan Mall is 1 block away from our program. We frequently use this Park to play on playground structure and play at basketball courts. We also love the design of the park and many of the senior in the community enjoy waking and sitting in some of the space that have been put there. It is so important to the community to have spaces that are beautiful and places for all ages to enjoy especially during these trying times.

Sincerely,



Miriam Desmukes,
Center Director



June 5, 2020

To the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

We at Radiance Christian Church express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco, we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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Radiance Christian Church, founded in 2012, seeks to advance the Gospel of Christ in San Francisco and the world. We value loving community that welcomes all to share life authentically regardless of racial, cultural, or socioeconomic backgrounds. We are located in the West Bay Community Center on 1290 Fillmore Street only two blocks away from the Buchanan Mall.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

Through the years, we have met a number of residents living along the Buchanan Mall in the Plaza East Apartments. Many of our shared life experiences, healing conversations, and Bible studies have happened under the installations surrounded by the decorative lighting, plants, and seating areas. We want to see investments being made to further improve and activate our community spaces at Buchanan Mall.

Sincerely,

Mark Chun
Senior Pastor at Radiance Christian Church



Bayview Senior Services

"Dignity, Honor and Respect for Our Elders"

June 1, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors;

We at Bayview Senior Services express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations. The Buchanan Mall, a five-block-long public space, transecting seven affordable-housing properties between Eddy and Grove streets, replaced a road in 1975 with park space. Unfortunately, this passageway has been both a dangerous corridor and an underutilized greenway.

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We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park. The Buchanan has become a refuge for our seniors and has brought happiness and a sense of ownership to them. Approving the improvements along the Buchanan Mall will bring hope and aide in their physical and mental wellbeing.

Sincerely,

Dornesha Landers

Rosa Parks Senior Center Program Director
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June 4, 2020

To whom it may concern,

We at the Exploratorium have a deep affinity for our friends and partners who reside in and around Buchanan Mall. We're writing to express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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The Exploratorium's Studio for Public Spaces on-going five year partnership with Buchannan Mall residents, community leaders, and park advocates has deeply impacted the way our museum's practice as an educational and cultural institution. The success of Buchanan Mall is highly dependent on maintaining momentum as they continue to leverage the community's knowledge, wisdom, and strength.

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I feel very much personally committed to Buchanan Mall, both as a partner and as a resident of San Francisco. The cultural richness and character that defines the Mall is an untapped resource in a society that desperately needs their voices and participation. Creating a safe, healthy park in the middle of this neighborhood is an important step in the right direction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn Lani".

Shawn Lani
Director, Studio for Public Spaces at the Exploratorium



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May 7, 2020

San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission

Re: Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond November 2020

Dear Commissioners:

The Trust for Public Land is pleased to support the General Obligation Bond proposed for November 2020. We wholeheartedly agree with the intent of the Bond and the need to allocate resources for mental health services and safe and equitable access to parks. This pandemic and shelter in place order has illuminated the need for more parks and open space. This bond represents a down payment on the continued need to invest in parks and open space that are directly tied to the public health and well-being of San Francisco.

We commend the Department on their stakeholder engagement and focus on equity as a guiding principle to allocate resources. With that in mind, we are extremely pleased to see funding allocated to India Basin and the other named projects, but we also we do recommend that the Buchanan Street Mall be included as a named project with funding allocated to it or, if that is not possible, we recommend including a statement of policy and recognition from the Commission committing additional public and private funding for the project.

The Buchanan community has invested a lot of years and resources in this project and has worked tirelessly with the Department and The Trust for Public Land to develop a concept plan for the five blocks. The Concept Plan was approved by the Commission on March 4, 2020. This project will serve over 28,000 people that live within a 10-minute walk of the park including over 5,000 people that live in poverty.

The Trust for Public Land has a history of successful partnerships with the City of San Francisco to create or improve parks working with local communities and stakeholders. We are committed to continue to be a partner in this process and bring our experience and established relationship with the many community-based organizations in the City.

The Trust for Public Land looks forward to collaborating with the Department and other stakeholders in passing this bond on the November 2020 ballot.

Sincerely,

Alejandra Chiesa
Bay Area Program Director | The Trust for Public Land

Guillermo Rodriguez
CA State Director | The Trust for Public Land

Ur Blessings
1485 Bayshore Blvd., Suite 320w, mailbox 218
San Francisco, Ca 94124

June 1, 2020

To whom it may concern,

We at UR BLESSINGS express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco, we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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A little bit about Ur blessings:

Serve the community of Hayes Valley
Community food drive in toy giveaways
Volunteer feeding the senior citizens for over 12 years
Ambassador for the 2020 census
Sit on the Hayes Valley RMC board

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this

I support the Buchanan mall because it provides vital space for seniors and our young people and agriculture in the Fillmore

Sincerely,

Ute Releford
UR Blessing, Founder



UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Engage San Francisco

June 1, 2020

Dear Director Ginsberg,

As a San Francisco citizen and a USF employee who works closely with partner organizations in the Western Addition through our Engage San Francisco initiative, I write to express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. I believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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A place-based initiative, Engage San Francisco is an intentional, systematic and transformative university-community initiative that works to achieve community-identified outcomes supporting children, youth and families in the Western Addition through student learning, research and teaching consistent with University of San Francisco's mission. The Buchanan Mall project is a fantastic partner in that it actualizes a response to community-identified needs while creating and convening community.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. The Western Addition community deserves a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

It has been a personal and professionally meaning experience to be a part of the Buchanan Mall project during the past 5 years. I hope the project receives the needed funding for this next phase.

Sincerely,

Karin Cotterman,
Director, Engage San Francisco

The Village Project



June 8, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

The Village Project enthusiastically support the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. We believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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For the past 14 years, The Village Project has served the youth and families of the Western Addition. We have partnered with many of the non-profits and CBO's working in the Fillmore neighborhood, i.e., Citizen Films. We have brought our youth over to the Buchanan Mall to work in the garden and play in this wonderful space. We have witnessed the hard work Citizen Films has invested in the beautification of the Mall and completely support their efforts. The mall is now a safe environment for our children and families to enjoy.

We are now ready for more much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Adrian Williams". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid.

Adrian Williams,
Executive Director



**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT™
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FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

June 1, 2020

To whom it may concern:

We at the Western Addition Family Resource Center, Urban Services/YMCA of San Francisco express enthusiastic support for the 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond. As voters and residents of San Francisco, we believe that this funding is important for the health and wellness of the people of San Francisco. Of particular interest to us is the support for the Buchanan Mall park renovations.

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A newly renovated Buchanan Mall can serve as an additional platform for future events held by community based organizations to connect with the community. The Western Addition Family Resource Center offers families strengthening and support services throughout the Western Addition. Our programs recognize and re-affirm family strengths, encourage meaningful parent/caregiver participation in program delivery and identifies families as the best resources in solving challenges.

We are ready for these much-needed improvements in a park that has not seen investment in 45 years. Our neighborhood and our community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer all of that to our neighborhood, the people our organization serves and to the residents who live next to this park.

The Western Addition Family Resource Center aligns itself with our many brother and sister community based organizations to ensure the vision of enhancing the Buchanan Mall becomes a reality. We seek to be an extension of the newly reinvigorated Buchanan Mall to continue to connect with the Western Addition community and promote our programs for family wellness.

Sincerely,

Jamaal R. Tibbs, Director, Family Resource Center
Western Addition Family Resource Center
Urban Services, YMCA of San Francisco

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- 1) I think it should be called the Peace Malls
- 2) I use it to get a peace of mind or play.
- 3) Because it would give the youth a chance to play & have fun
- 4) Put some swings & slides there for kids
- 5) To make kids feel safe & be peaceful

1. Dear Phil Ginsberg,
I think that the Buchanan
mall should be named Peace Pathway.
I walk through the Buchanan mall
to get to work. ~~I've been there~~
I have played basketball there. It
should be upgraded because it's basically
empty. It's boring, it's not creating
community.

Sincerely,
Dashawn Crockett

Letter Writing Campaign - Journey

I would like it to be named The Peace Spot.

I go to the Buchanan mall to sit and do work when there's too many distractions elsewhere.

The Buchanan mall deserves to be upgraded because it's something that brought the community together so it's something that has a place in peoples' heart.

The mall is now a place that people genuinely want to go to because it's calming.

This mall should be a priority because it's a safe place for some people. A lot of parents and people put their time and trust into the mall.

Letter Writing Campaign

- ① I think the Buchanan mall should be the peace mall.
- ② I use the Buchanan mall as a hanging out with friends
- ③ it would get friends / family to hang out
- ④ The painting made the mall better
- ⑤ A Basketball court.

Dear Phil Grinsberg,

I am writing to you because
I like to play in my Park
and my Park needs a up grade.
We need the money because a
lot of kids love playing there
and doing Fun Events

Thank you,

Lenjaé Cummings

Carlo Jovel

Mo'Magic

1050 McAllister Street
San Francisco, Ca 94105

Dear Mr. Ginsburg,

Please name the Buchanan Mall on the 2020 Parks bond. Mo'Magic shares the Buchanan Mall with the community for events such as National Night Out, annual backpack give away, community gatherings just to name a few and most importantly the children in our community use this space as a safe passage to and from school/home. The Buchanan Mall deserves an upgrade because its a park & gathering space in the community which residents use as a gathering space to take pride in and feel safe. The current installations have improved the mall by providing gardens, lighting and just an overall beautification of the space. The Buchanan Mall has only continued to improve and hopefully will continue by being placed on the 2020 Parks bond. Please take this all into consideration when making your decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Jovel', with a stylized, cursive script.

Carlo Jovel

Dear Funders:

Hello my name is Patricia Puckett, Rosa Parks Senior Center volunteer and want to share how the Buchanan Mall has changed my family's life. Me and grandson spend most of our days at the Buchanan Mall especially during school vacations (spring, summer and winter breaks). I relax, enjoying the scenery while my grandson plays on the play structure. He enjoys admiring the murals, pictures and flowers which he picks for me and his mother. The Buchanan Mall has made the streets more accessible and safer as it provides extra lighting at night, that I appreciate the most. Before the Buchanan Mall I feared traveling through the community but because of its existence me and my grandson are able to walk it with a sense of security. I highly support the progressions of this project and wish it continued success. Please support this project and provide the resources and funding necessary for upgrades and service to my community.

With graⁿd support,


Patricia Puckett, Community volunteer and resident

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm Grace Lee, Rosa Parks Senior Center volunteer and resident of the Rosa Parks Senior Apartments. The Buchanan Mall is a breath of fresh air, historical significance, color, positive perspective and brightens up the neighborhood. I have been active in creating and sustaining the Buchanan Mall from the very beginning. My friends and I utilize the Buchanan Mall as a social venue. We meet up at the mall after coffee hour daily to catch up on current events, family matters and community endeavors. We enjoy the fresh vegetation and have suggestions on how to upgrade the mall to accommodate our needs. For example adding exercise bars and stools, BBQ pits, etc. Please support this project and provide the resources and funding necessary for upgrades and upkeep.



Sincerely yours,

Grace Lee, Community volunteer

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Larry Anderson and I am writing this letter to support the Buchanan Mall on the 2020 parks bond. I've been homeless for the past two months and the Buchanan Mall has been a safe haven for me. It brings me comfort to utilize the Buchanan Mall as I grew up in this community. This community has molded me into the person I am today and for that I am grateful. I enjoy listening and reading about the historical people and community events. The fresh plants and flowers help with my anxiety as I enjoy planting and pruning. The upgrades have made the space more pleasing to the eye and accessible. Please continue to support this project and provide the necessary upgrades to keep this space for decades to come.

Thank you,



Larry Anderson, Community member

Dear Mr. Ginsberg:

The Buchanan Mall was renovated several months ago and has become an attractive neighborhood facility.

Please make sure the continued upgrading of Buchan Mall is included in the Bond request. We need this neighborhood facility.

Very truly yours,

Frankie Jacobs Gillette
85 Cleary Court
San Francisco, CA 94109

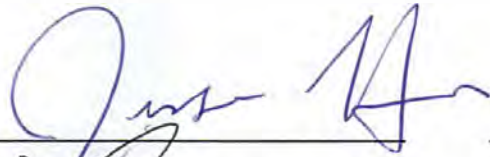
Dear Supervisors,

First and foremost hello from Citizen Film and the Buchanan Mall Youth Leadership Team! I'm writing in regards of the Buchanan Mall, new projects and ideas are ready for action and your assistance would truly be of great help. Please put the Buchanan Mall on the Parks bond this November. We really want a safe and fun park for people of all ages to play, and live next to. Myself, and my fellow Buchanan Mall Youth Leaders have been working very hard. Staying active within the community, maintaining all installations on each block of the mall, continuously thinking of ways to improve not only the Buchanan mall but the Fillmore community as well. Help us get one step closer to fulfilling one of many more great ideas for our community. Team Work makes the Dream Work!

**Sincerely,
Jazmine Thomas
"Buchanan Mall Youth Leader"**

Dear Supervisors,

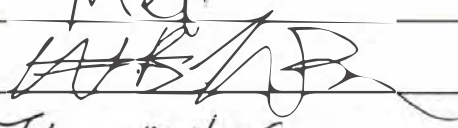
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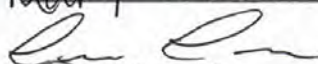


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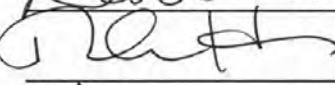
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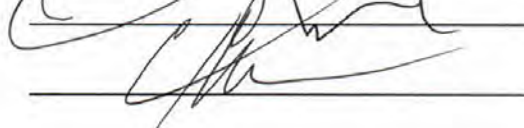




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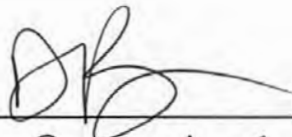




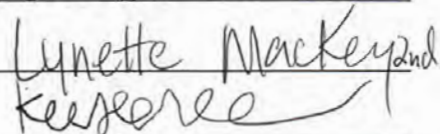


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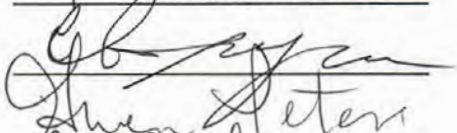
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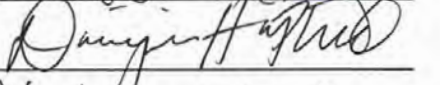
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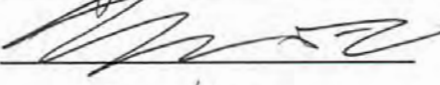
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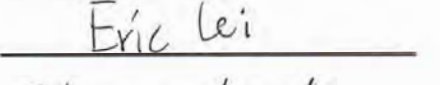
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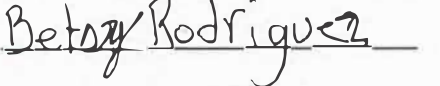
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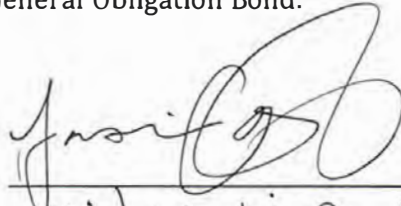
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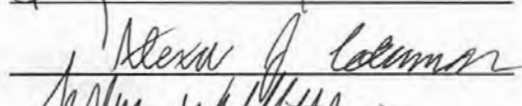
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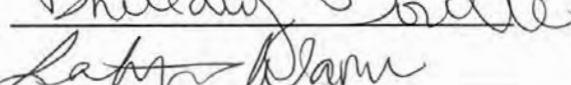
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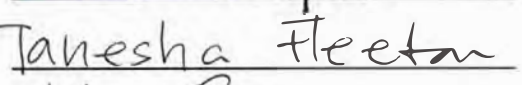
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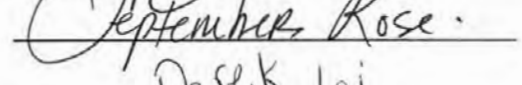
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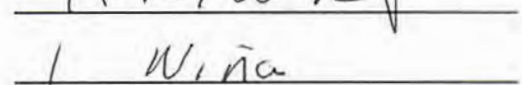
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JANICE LAW

From: [Jeanne M](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Buchanan Mall Support Plea (Bond Project Spotlight)
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 3:42:04 PM

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This much neglected part of San Francisco is ready for this upgrade and I urge you to support it. It will have a major influence in this entire section of the city, and will be enjoyed by many.

AND, it will be beautiful.

Thank you for your support and encouragement and investment.

Jeanne Milligan
1220 Ellis Street

From: [Jay.](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Buchanan Mall
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:09:54 PM

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What is the point of this? It will be completely inhabited by homeless who will defecate all over it. I will vote against it.

From: [lisette osorio](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support the parks
Date: Friday, June 19, 2020 12:08:04 PM

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Has a mother of 3 children please help us



we live in a tiny apartment in the city the parks and playgrounds are important to us we visit the playgrounds every day we don't have a backyard all we have is the parks and playgrounds please support Park and Reck after a playground visit

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [tree](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\); Hui, Mei Ling \(REC\)](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Friday, June 19, 2020 2:07:05 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in support of the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** that is being considered for the November 2020 ballot. I am a member of the Treat Commons Community Garden and also the main person behind the non-profit organization the Free Farm Stand. We partner with Alemany Farm and the All in Common Community Garden and every week provide fresh locally grown produce and seedlings to our low income neighbors in the Mission. Funding for our parks and open spaces is in my opinion a no brainer, especially in these times of difficulty. Parks provide much needed mental health benefits (cheaper than therapy) and community gardens encourage San Franciscans to grow fresh and healthy produce. Plus the environmental benefits of green spaces is also a top priority during this time of climate crises.

Let's all get behind a future of hope by supporting this measure!

Sincerely,

Tree Rubenstein

From: [Mercedes Montecinos](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Friday, June 19, 2020 8:47:54 PM

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Board of Supervisors

Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

District 1 Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org
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District 9 Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org
District 10 Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org
District 11 Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org

RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in support of the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** that is being considered for the November 2020 ballot. The COVID-19 global pandemic has changed California's and San Francisco's economic and financial situation. We cannot weather this storm alone; the 2020 Bond will allow San Francisco to come together and begin an economic recovery that will create opportunities for all.

The **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** will prioritize shovel-ready projects delivering essential government services, support economic recovery through job creation for San Franciscans, provide funding for behavioral health and health access, while prioritizing basic infrastructure investments in our parks and recreation facilities and right-of-way infrastructure so people can get back to work quickly and help San Francisco recover.

It has been widely reported that parks have been a welcome respite and source of physical and mental health well-being during this pandemic. I am an avid trail walker and appreciate that trails have been included in the bond. The 2020 Bond will continue the successful Trails program from the 2012 Parks Bond, which improved the Oak Woodland Trail in Golden Gate Park and four priority areas in McLaren Park.

The benefits of parks are long lasting, and it's clear that planning for better days ahead will ensure that our open spaces are resilient. Please support the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** by approving the Bond proposal for the November 2020 Ballot.

Thank you for your support,

Mercedes Montecinos

From: [Linda Aldrich](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Saturday, June 20, 2020 10:27:11 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

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The inclusion of the highly successful Community Opportunity Fund (COF) in the 2020 Bond is significant. During these unprecedented times, neighborhood parks have been the gem of each community throughout the city. The COF will allow communities to come together and promote neighborhood park improvements that increase the benefits provided through active park stewardship.

I urge you to support the 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond by approving the Bond proposal for inclusion of the proposal on the November 2020 Ballot.

Thank you for your support!

Linda Aldrich
lindilou@att.net
415-346-8855

From: [Steve Wiel](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Saturday, June 20, 2020 10:53:51 AM

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Thank you for your support!

Steve Wiel
601 Van Ness Avenue #6
San Francisco, CA 94102

From: [Mary Stein](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please support Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Saturday, June 20, 2020 11:53:02 AM

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Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA

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It has been widely reported that parks have been a welcome respite and source of physical and mental health well-being during this pandemic. Our citywide parks, Golden Gate, McLaren Park, and Lake Merced are the jewels in the fabric of our city. Together, they comprise almost 2,000 acres of open space, each with vast, ongoing capital needs. Golden Gate Park alone is estimated to need over \$500 million in capital investment to renovate and improve park features. The 2020 Bond will build upon projects delivered through past bonds and provide an additional \$18 million for improvements in these three parks, allocating \$10 million for improvements in Golden Gate Park, \$6 million for improvements in McLaren Park, and \$2 million for improvements in Lake Merced. I live near McLaren Park with its trails, reservoirs, and wildlife, and urge that it be given the support it has long deserved.

The benefits of parks are long lasting, and it is clear that planning for better days ahead will ensure that our open spaces are resilient. Please support the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** by approving the Bond proposal for the November 2020 Ballot.

Thank you for your support of our parks and City!

Sincerely,

Mary Stein
38 Vienna Street, SF94112
maryhstein@gmail.com

From: [Arlene Helfand](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Saturday, June 20, 2020 1:33:07 PM

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Thank you for your support!

Arlene Helfand

From: [Adrein](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Saturday, June 20, 2020 3:12:24 PM

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**Thank you,
Adrein Tuzzio
Member of SF Pickleball Community**

From: [Pansy Wong](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Pickleball for our community
Date: Saturday, June 20, 2020 6:08:29 PM

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Thank you for your support!

Regards,
Pansy Wong

From: [Sharon Wong](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please open pickleball courts for the pickleball community
Date: Sunday, June 21, 2020 10:11:36 AM

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I am writing in favor of the 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond that is being considered for the November 2020 ballot. The COVID-19 global pandemic has changed California's and San Francisco's economic and financial situation. The 2020 Bond will allow San Francisco to come together and begin an economic and civic recovery that will create opportunities and benefits for all San Franciscans.

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Thank you for your support!

Sharon Wong

From: [Bill Wong](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Open Pickleball courts in San Francisco
Date: Sunday, June 21, 2020 11:38:20 AM

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Thank you for your support!

William Wong

From: [denise debruin](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Allocation of park bond money
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 10:17:37 AM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to ask that the \$18 million allocated for Citywide Parks in the current proposal of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond be allocated entirely to McLaren Park.

COVID-19 has impacted the neighborhoods surrounding McLaren Park most heavily, with rates of infection double those of the citywide average. We know that providing safe convenient access to open space is a critical strategy for managing the spread of COVID-19, and as a way to help people stay emotionally and psychologically healthy during the stress of this pandemic.

Golden Gate Park is filled every day with pedestrians, cyclists, and groups of friends socializing in a safe and healthy fashion because it is 1) easy to access from each adjacent neighborhood, and 2) amenity rich -- convenient and clean restrooms, bike racks, signage and attractions are in every area of the park.

McLaren Park, in contrast, remains relatively neglected, isolated from transit, topographically separated from neighborhoods, inadequately signed, and with an underdeveloped circulation network to allow and encourage

safe, predictable, comfortable movement across the park. In 2017, the Recreation and Park Commission adopted a McLaren Park Vision plan that identified and described a series of improvements that could remedy these persistent issues, finally making the park accessible to all.

A \$1 invested in Golden Gate Park will barely make a difference for park users already able to enjoy that amazing open space. That same \$1 investment would yield \$20 worth of impact this year at McLaren Park. Please consider increasing the budget allocated to McLaren Park from \$6 million to \$18 million so that substantive progress can be made towards realizing the goals of the McLaren Vision Plan.

Black Lives Matter has brought to national attention the struggles that BIPOC individuals and communities experience to feel safe and welcome across all types of public open spaces that white Americans enjoy without second thought. Parks are no exception, and it is an obvious statement of San Francisco's geography that the west side of the city enjoys easy safe access to an extraordinary array of open spaces, from Lake Merced, to Ocean Beach, to Golden Gate Park and the Presidio.

McLaren Park is the only open space on the east side of the city that approaches the scale, grandeur, and reach of those west side spaces. I'm encouraged to see that Crocker Amazon and Herz Playground have both been allocated funding for improvements, but would be discouraged to see those investments offered as a rationale for continued neglect of McLaren Park.

This is a moment to push for investment in the southeast's open spaces equal to the substantive, persistent, and celebrated investments of San Francisco's marquee parks.

If the 2020 Health and Recovery G.O. Bond is to live up to its title, each proposed allocation needs to be evaluated for: 1) Timeliness - when and how long will it take for the community to enjoy this benefit? 2) Improved health outcomes - does this investment support neighborhoods hit hardest by COVID-19? 3) Impact - does this investment expand needed access, or simply refresh existing resources? McLaren Park scores highly by any of these criteria.

Thank you for your leadership on this matter.

Sincerely,
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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Davina Baum](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?Q?=C2=A0linda=2Ewong?=@sfgov.org](#)
Subject: HELP _ PLEASE We NEED Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 11:17:13 AM

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IT IS TIME for the south eastern part of the city to get some attention.
We have HAD MORE development than any other District and that means growth,
TRAFFIC, Housing construction, TRAFFIC, street lights installed, TRAFFIC!!!

IT IS OUR TIME TO BE NOTICED.

Give us a new park PLEASE.

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Maureen McVerry
home owner and VOTER!!!!

From: gobrenda@msn.com
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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Brenda McConahy

From: [elizabeth Dalton](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [linda.wong@sfgov.org](#)
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Elizabeth Dalton

From: [Carol Sundell](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); A.linda.wong@sfgov.org
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Carol Sundell
771 Wisconsin Street

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Jon Osaki](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); info@japantowntaskforce.org; [Mchugh, Eileen \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Health and Recovery Bond Peace Plaza Support: SF Japantown Foundation
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 12:08:03 PM
Attachments: [SF Japantown Fdn Letter of Support to Board of Supes for Park Bond Funds for Japantown.pdf](#)

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Hello - Please find the attached letter from the SF Japantown Foundation's Board President Mr. Don Tamaki.

c/o Minami Tamaki LLP, 360 Post Street, 8th Fl, San Francisco, CA 94108



SAN FRANCISCO JAPANTOWN FOUNDATION

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisor:

On behalf of the San Francisco Japantown Foundation, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The proposed redesign and renovation was initiated by a former board member of our foundation, the late Mr. Bob Hamaguchi and we believe it is time for Japantown to have an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for our community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

My family operated a hotel where the Peace Plaza is located today and were among the businesses that were forcibly evicted during redevelopment. It was not possible to reestablish our family's hotel after being forced out by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency and the current proposal to redesign and renovate the plaza is a long, overdue gesture to acknowledge the damage that was done to Japantown.

We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community has waited nearly 20 years to properly renovate the plaza and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

President
Don Tamaki

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Alisa.somera@sfgov.org
Eileen.e.McHugh@sfgov.org
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From: [Ellen Canter](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?Q?=C2=A0Linda=2EWong=40sfgov=2Eorg?=@sfgov.org](#)
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To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Lawrence Helman](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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Sent via my desktop computer from my basement office in SF

From: [Sheila Harris](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
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Sincerely,
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From: [Leslie Arnold](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?B?wgBsaW5kYS53b25nOHNmZ292Lm9yZ0BzZmdvdi5vcmc=?=@sfgov.org@sfgov.org](#)
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Leslie Arnold

From: judyminton@aol.com
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Funding for Jackson Park renovation
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 1:38:28 PM

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June 22, 2020

To: Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

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The lesson that we have all learned from the current pandemic is the critical importance of outdoor recreation space. Over the last years, Potrero Hill and Dogpatch have absorbed a huge percentage of the new housing built in the city. This influx has dramatically changed the feeling of our once quiet neighborhood. It is time for the city to step up and deliver some of the resources that we need to create a new community with our new neighbors. A renovated Jackson Park that includes a community center is critical and the time is now!

Thank you for your support.

Judy Minton
Potrero Hill resident since 1989

From: [Amy Hansen](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Aaron Bell](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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-Aaron Bell
Nearby Resident @ Mariposa St

From: [Elain Sprague Stuebe](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); A.linda.wong@sfgov.org
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~Elain

From: [Sam Ozer-Staton](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Jack Alber](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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Subject: Support Jackson Park on the Next Bond!
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 3:21:16 PM
Attachments: [Jackson Park Advocacy Letter.docx](#)

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

As a San Francisco citizen, taxpayer and homeowner I am grateful for all the city's Park and Rec Department has done for so many wonderful clean parks throughout the city. I hope that that attention and support will now be directed at Jackson Park, a beautiful park in Potrero Hill that has not been renovated since the 90s and direly needs some help. Please include it on the next bond, I have attached an advocacy letter laying out the details.

Thanks,
Jack Alber

June 22nd, 2020

Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org, Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org, Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org, Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org,
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Jackson Park has been an incredibly impactful place in my life, the site of endless memories made with friends laughing and running and playing sports, and all my childhood memories of the place have rose-tinted glasses. Now that I am older and know the world better, I see the dilapidated fencing and mediocre facilities at the park as a sad lack of investment from the city.

Jackson Park is a jewel waiting to be polished, a beautiful green expanse with sunny weather and full of happy people. The park should bring people as much joy as they bring to it, and the park is long long LONG overdue for some bond support. Please show some love to a place that has given all of us in Potrero Hill much to be happy about but much to be desired as well.

Thank you for your support.

From: [Flannery Alber](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Sincerely,

From: [Xander Walbridge](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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I was born and raised on Potrero Hill and moved back to the hill after 6 years on the East Coast to be closer to my family. Jackson Park is and has always been an important part of my life here in San Francisco and I look forward to taking my future children.

Thank you for your support.

Best,
Xander Walbridge

From: [joseph Mockus](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Christine Jansen](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); Aa-ron.Peskin@sfgov.org; [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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It is well documented that having safe green spaces for communities to gather helps keep neighborhoods and communities healthy and strong. Jackson Park has been serving in this capacity for a long time, and now is the time for updates to keep it going. Your support for this project on the bond will ensure this.

Thank you for your support.

Christine Jansen

Cjansen1219@comcast.net

From: [Alison Heath](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: \$10+ Million for Jackson Park - 2020 Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 3:49:31 PM
Attachments: [Jackson Park Parks Bond - BoS.pdf](#)

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Alison Heath
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alisonheath@sbcglobal.net

June 22, 2020

The San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Via email

RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing on behalf of Grow Potrero Responsibly asking for your support of Jackson Park as a named project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond with an allocation of a minimum of \$10 million.

Our organization has long advocated for investment in the “complete neighborhoods” promised to us in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan. Comprised of large swaths of formerly industrial land recently converted to housing, and historically home to underserved communities, Potrero Hill has never had the amenities such as open space and recreational facilities enjoyed in other residential neighborhoods. We are shouldering the burden of thousands of new housing units, yet we’ve never received adequate funding for our neighborhood park.

After years of neglect, Jackson Park is in increasingly poor condition, heavily used by growing numbers of neighbors and athletes from throughout the City. Because the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan failed to provide adequate funding for infrastructure, the Friends of Jackson Park, led a campaign to leverage private funds with the expectation that the Park would be on a 2020 parks bond.

Arguably the neighborhood should not be forced to secure private funding for its public park. Nonetheless, the Friends of Jackson Park, following the recommendation of SFRPD, raised \$9 million in pledges from local businesses and real estate developers. With an additional \$8 million in IPIC funding and a project that will be shovel-ready, it is this bond money that would bring the project to fruition.

Now, during the pandemic, our community has grown to rely on our neighborhood park for health and healing. To delay funding will mean it could be years before renovations could begin.

Frankly, Jackson Park’s omission as a named project is egregious given the neighborhood’s best efforts to secure amenities that others take for granted. Our neighborhood’s need for better open spaces has been overlooked for too long now. The need is urgent. The goal of a renovated park that serves our community is tenable only if it’s included on the Bond.

Thanks for your support,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alison Heath".

Alison Heath
Grow Potrero Responsibly

From: [Kate Clem](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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It has never been more clear that Jackson Park is a critical outdoor space that supports the health and wellbeing of our neighborhood - COVID has only accentuated its necessity and the ways in which the space is currently insufficient to meet the diverse needs of so many at once. I stand by these words from our supporting organization:

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Katy Clem
Potrero Homeowner
212 Texas St, 94107

From: [Frish Brandt](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Esteemed Board of Supervisors

Please see my attached letter in support of all efforts and bonds necessary to keep Jackson Park the vibrant safe playful place that serves the San Francisco community.

Thank you,

Frish Brandt

San Francisco resident since 1974

22 June 2020

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I have loved this park since my son was a young child 28 years ago.

Thank you for your visionary support,

Frish Brandt

San Francisco Resident since 1974

From: [Jessica Minton](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Thank you for your support.

Jessica Minton
Potrero Hill Resident

From: [steve nakajo](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); rafeael.mandelman@sfgov.org
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Mchugh, Eileen \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Peace Plaza Board of Supervisors.docx
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 4:55:39 PM
Attachments: [Peace Plaza Board of Supervisors.docx](#)

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Supervisor Fewer
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Regards,
Steve Nakajo for Mr George Omi

Steve Nakajo
Mobile: (415) 279-7267
Email: sknakajo@yahoo.com

Peace Plaza Address to San Francisco Board of Supervisor

My name is George Omi. I am here today to urge you to support to its full amount, the 25 million dollar allocation for the Japan Town Peace Plaza , currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

I was born in 1930, to Japanese immigrant parents, and was raised in San Francisco during the Great Depression. I grew up in the Japanese Town of old, until the War began, when all of us of Japanese ancestry, were forcibly evicted from California.

Four years later, many of us returned to San Francisco from internment camps. It took several years for stores like Nichi Bei Bussan, Honnami Taiheido, Uoki Sakai, Seiki Brothers, Soko Hardware, Takahashi Trading and Aki Hotel to return to business again.

But then came the Redevelopment Agency with Eminent domain, and the demolition of streets, hotels, restaurants and stores, followed by the rise of the Miyako Hotel, the mall, the Peace Plaza and the Pagoda.

But soon, the newness of the Plaza wore off with an un-repairable leakage of water, from the Plaza to the subterranean garage below. The plaza was gradually stripped of its adornments: reflecting pools, arcade and eternal flame, and instead of a place for meditation and worship, it became a place for community gathering.

Today, the plaza is the only open space in Japan Town and has become a center piece of activity, the heart and soul of Japanese Town, where people of San Francisco and the Bay Area, and visitors from all over the world, come to celebrate and enjoy its festivals, arts and crafts, literature and foods of Japan.

Of particular import is that Japan Town's Cherry Blossom Festival and Parade is one of the most popular of all festivals in the City and draws more than 200,000 people annually. Unfortunately, the plaza is in dire need for repair.

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Last year, through public meetings and hearings in JapanTown, the Park & Recreation Department, together with the Department of Public Works, developed a site plan for renovation, which satisfied the community. Not only will it improve the look of the plaza to attract even more visitors to Japan Town, but the re-design will better accommodate programs and events on the plaza.

The renovation plan came with an estimate of construction for \$25 million, which includes the prevention of further leaks of water into the underground garage.

And so I hope you will support this measure for funding. It has been a long time in coming and will help make Japan Town forever special for all San Franciscans and attract visitors to the City, as well. Thank you.

From: [Brian Castagne](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Support Jackson Playground Renovation Project
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Thank you for supporting this San Francisco treasure in need of rejuvenation.

Sincerely, Brian Castagne, 69 Buena Vista Terrace, San Francisco, 94117

From: [Dawn Noelle Smith Beutler](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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1404 Silliman St.
San Francisco, CA 94134
(415) 260-5783

From: [Kopal Goonetilleke](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
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To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 7:36:13 PM

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Every time we visit Jackson Park people are there, weekdays or weekends. It's one of the most high-used parks by SFUSD middle school baseball, Park and Rec adult softball, folks with dogs, or just people enjoying hanging out on a piece of green grass, not to mention young parents with babies and toddlers. My husband, son and I have enjoyed Jackson field in each of these capacities thousands of times since the early nineties.

With all the new residential development in the neighborhood and the park's already high use, and its lack of upgrading in over twenty years, Jackson deserves to be on the parks bond list. We visit Jackson often in 94107 from foggy 94127 to catch the sun.

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Rachel, Tony, Jeremiah Smith, 7 Marietta Dr, SF 94127

From: [Rebecca Blair](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Lindsay Schallich](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

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I have lived in Potrero Hill for the past 10 years, and have witnessed the tremendous growth in new housing and development. We desperately need more and better open space! Jackson Park is key to that endeavor.

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Maulik

From: [Trish Keady](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Jackson Park has been a favorite of mine and my family's since the 1990s when I worked on Potrero Hill and enjoyed it every day. We love the park and the open space it now provides but we're concerned that it hasn't been updated in so long. Please make Jackson Park a priority for the health and well-being of all San

Franciscans.

Thank you for your support.

Trish Keady
104A San Jose Ave.
94110

From: [Cathryn Blum](#)
Subject: Support for Jackson Playground - D10 - 2020 Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 8:43:28 PM

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Hello ~

As a Potrero Hill resident for almost 25 years, I want to express my support for improvements, and ensuring the necessary funding is designated for Jackson Playground. The park is an essential resource for our burgeoning neighborhood. Residents of our area would reap the healthful benefits that a safe, clean, beautifully created recreational area would provide to citizens of all ages and backgrounds.

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Cathryn Blum

catbirds@gmail.com

415-505-5380

“So many hymns and so few noodles.”

- Jewish Proverb

From: [Tiffany Hill](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Tiffany Hill
Potrero Hill Resident

From: [Catherine Avendaño](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 9:17:39 PM

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Thank you for your support.

Catherine Avendaño

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Shannon Beck](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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From: [Harshal Dalvi](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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From: [Stephen M. Voris](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 10:26:38 PM

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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

My wife Betty and myself have lived on Potrero Hill since 1987. We have seen the neighborhood grow explosively, particularly in the last five years or so. Park space is very limited here! We must preserve and protect what little we have.

I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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From: [Dale Freeman](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?Q?=C2=A0linda=2Ewong?=@sfgov.org](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 10:47:01 PM

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Thank you for your support.

Dale Freeman
767 Carolina Street 94107

From: [Sarah King](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 11:01:11 PM

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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

Families are vital to the health of San Francisco, a city I've called home for over 25 years. Over the past number of years, I have worked to ensure that Potrero families from a diversity of income levels stay and raise their children in the city, primarily through my work as a member of [PREFund](#). Despite my efforts, it has been getting harder to convince families to stay. One thing that would help the cause is better access to parks, recreation and open space, **and so I am writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.**

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In other words — Once ballgames are allowed again, there will be no open space at Jackson for the neighborhood to gather.

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My children are fortunate to attend the Rec Park after school program at Jackson. The staff do an amazing job, but the facilities need improvement --Jackson Playground hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playing fields have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground and restrooms don't comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements.

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Thank you for your support.

Sarah King

From: [Alexi Chialtas](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [%Aolinda.wong@sfgov.org](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:14:44 AM

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My family (wife and 3 children) go to this park nearly every weekend to relax, play games and enjoy the sun. The playground will be used for years to come by our 2.5 year old and 9 month old but does need updating. We sometimes drive to Dolores, Lafayette or Koret playgrounds - as those serve as models for what a park should look like.

Thank you for your support.
Alexi Chialtas

From: [Caitlin Moore](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:20:13 AM

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [John deCastro](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:48:27 AM

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Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

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As a 41 year resident of Potrero Hill my children grew up using Jackson Park. As a neighborhood leader I am actively promoting recreation with the Slow Streets program. Which is a temporary band aid for more recreation space in rapidly growing Potrero Hill.

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John B. deCastro

From: [jhb](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Park Advocacy Letter
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:15:13 AM
Attachments: [Jackson Park Letter.pdf](#)

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Please see attached,

Regards,
Justin Bass

June 22, 2020

Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org, Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org, Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org, Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org,
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Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Our son, Quincy, just completed his Kindergarten year at Live Oak School, which is located directly across the street from Jackson Park. Quincy not only loves playing on the playground and sports fields, but he also loves meeting other kids from the local neighborhood and making new friends. Our whole family looks forward to spending a lot of time socializing at Jackson Park for many years to come.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Justin Bass & Marisa Rolland', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Justin Bass & Marisa Rolland

From: [Matt Choi](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:28:04 AM

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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

Our family of four recently moved to Potrero Hill, and we are so thankful for Jackson Park!

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Once ballgames are allowed again,

From: [Max Garrone](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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Max Garrone

From: [Bob Kelley](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
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Sent from my iPhone

From: [barbara wilson](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Sincerely,

Barbara & Christopher Wilson

From: [Jennifer Serwer](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?B?wqBsaW5kYS53b25n?=@sfgov.org](mailto=?utf-8?B?wqBsaW5kYS53b25n?=@sfgov.org)
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Best,
Jennifer Serwer

From: [Audrey Cole](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
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Audrey D. Cole

Retired from 33+ years in the tech world and ready for my next adventure!

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Chicago Black Lives Matter march ends at Buckingham Square, 6/20/2020





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Best View by Whose

From: [Max Strang](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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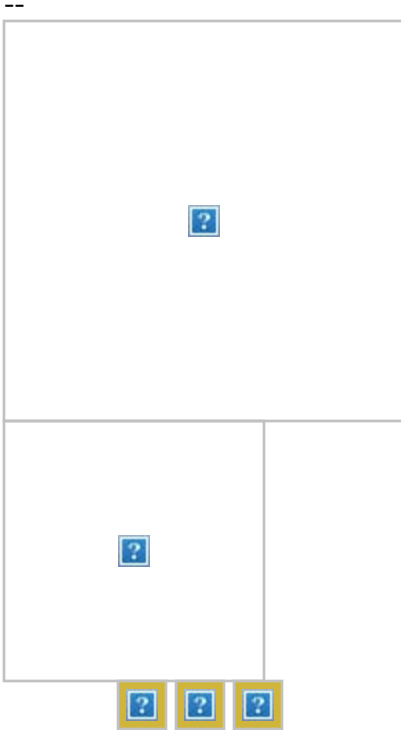
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Personally, I live across the street from this park and I'd love to see this park get the love and respect it deserves as a very, very important resource for this city and my community in Potrero Hill especially.

Thank you for your support,
Max



Max Strang

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From: [Douglas Woo](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [District 1 Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [District 2 Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [District 3 Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [District 4 Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [District 5 Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [District 6 Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [District 7 Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [District 8 Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [District 9 Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [District 10 Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [District 11 Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 9:30:59 AM
Attachments: [Letter 2020 SF Health and Recovery Bond.pdf](#)

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Please see the attached letter in support of the 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond.

Thank you for your consideration.

Douglas J. Woo
President
Friends of Duboce Park

June 23, 2020

Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
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RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in support of the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** that is being considered for the November 2020 ballot. The COVID-19 global pandemic has changed California's and San Francisco's economic and financial situation. We cannot weather this storm alone; the 2020 Bond will allow San Francisco to come together and begin an economic recovery that will create opportunities for all.

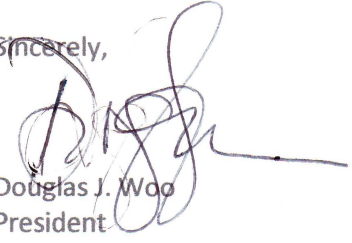
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Thank you for your support of our parks and City!

Sincerely,



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President
Friends of Duboce Park

From: [Sandra Cate](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
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From: [Jean Bogiages](#)
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Cc: [Guillermo Rodriguez](#); [Erik Zepeda-Flores](#)
Subject: Support for 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

Please see attached letter of support for the 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond.

We thank you for the work you are doing during these extremely painful and challenging times.

Alejandra Chiesa

Bay Area Program Director

The Trust for Public Land

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June 15, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Via email Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

The Trust for Public Land urges you to approve the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** proposed for the November 2020 ballot. We agree with the intent and allocations proposed for the bond to support safe and equitable access to parks and mental health services. If this pandemic and shelter in place order has taught us anything is that parks and open space are critical to our mental health, well-being and economic recovery. This bond also represents a down payment on the continued need to invest in park equity in San Francisco.

The Trust for Public Land has a long and successful history of partnering with the City of San Francisco to create and improve parks and open space based on deep and diverse community engagement. The **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** will prioritize shovel-ready projects delivering essential government services, support economic recovery through job creation, provide funding for behavioral health and health access, while prioritizing basic infrastructure investments in our parks and recreation facilities so local residents can get back to work quickly and help San Francisco recover.

As a national environmental non-profit headquartered in San Francisco, The Trust for Public Land annually collects and analyzes park data from the top 100 cities across the country based on population and our research supports the following findings:

- 1. Parks and health.** Parks are widely recognized as critical for health and wellness by reducing anxiety, stress, and depression all while improving physical health—all the more necessary during this public health emergency.
- 2. Parks and usage.** During this period of sheltering in place, parks and public lands are seeing some of their highest usage in recent times, and local officials are reporting significant increase in visitors. Parks are proving to be an essential part of how to cope and recover from this crisis.
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- 4. Parks and the future.** The pandemic highlights that in too many communities, access to the outdoors is considered a privilege when it should be a right. With the data to pinpoint where parks are most needed, we can transform the outlook for outdoor equity across the nation.

The benefits of parks are long lasting and provide multiple benefits. Please support the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** by approving the bond proposal for the November 2020 Ballot.

We look forward to collaborating in support of passing this bond on the November 2020 ballot.

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Alejandra Chiesa | Bay Area Program Director
The Trust for Public Land

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Guillermo Rodriguez".

Guillermo Rodriguez | California State Director
The Trust for Public Land

From: [peter.linenthal](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

I've lived on Potrero Hill since 1975 and direct the Potrero Hill Archives Project, collecting local history and making it available. As more and more and more developments go up in our neighborhood, there is increasing demands put on Jackson Park's land & resources. I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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Thank you for your support.

Peter Linenthal 298 Missouri St, SF, CA, 94107

From: [Melanie Kaba](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:27:56 AM

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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

MY FAMILY LIVES 3 BLOCKS FROM JACKSON PLAYGROUND AND WE HAVE A TODDLER. BEFORE COVID WE WERE AT THE PLAYGROUND/COMMUNITY GARDEN AT LEAST 3 TIMES/WEEK - AND NOW WITH THE SIP WE STILL GO TO THE PARK AND PLAY IN THE CIRCLES AND FIELD THE SAME AMOUNT OF TIME. IT IS SO CRITICAL TO US AND ONCE REASON WE CHOSE TO LIVE AT THIS LOCATION IN THE CITY. **PLEASE CHOOSE TO PROTECT, ENHANCE, AND ADVOCATE FOR OUR OPEN SPACE. PLEASE, PLEASE CHOOSE JACKSON PARK AS A PRIORITY NAMED PROJECT!!**

I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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-MELANIE KABA, RYAN WARTENA, DAUGHTER AVALON WARTENA

From: [Andrea Laudate](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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Of the City and County of San Francisco
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

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Jackson Park needs a major upgrade so that my grandchildren can experience the same joy there that my daughter did growing up in Potrero Hill.

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Thank you for your support.

From: [Steven Solomon](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?B?wqBsaW5kYS53b25n?=@sfgov.org](mailto=?utf-8?B?wqBsaW5kYS53b25n?=@sfgov.org)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:49:34 AM

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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Friends of Jackson Park has been working in good faith with the community and City agencies since 2013. During that time over \$17MM in pledged funds from both private and public sources has been secured. Our project will be shovel ready when we receive the necessary funds from the next Parks bond to bridge the funding gap.

I recently enjoyed a socially distant picnic at Jackson Park with friends in the neighborhood. This is a precious piece of green space in our corner of the city, and it deserves this treatment, especially with the population growth locally, and it is very accessible by both public transit and the popular 17th Street bicycle thoroughfare.

Thank you for your support.

From: [Lael Robertson](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:50:03 AM

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My kids are all grown up now but were born and raised on The Hill. Jackson Park was an almost daily outing for our family. This community needs its park to grow with the neighborhoods needs as so many more folks move to this special place.

Best,
Lael Robertson
Hill resident since 1971

Thank you for your support.

From: [Rodney Minott](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:57:24 AM

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Thank you for your support.

Best,
Rodney Minott
Potrero Hill

From: [Philip Anasovich](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:59:15 AM

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Dear Supervisors:

As a local architect who has lived on Potrero Hill for 35 years I'm astounded that it has been so difficult to get any improvements for our quickly growing part of the city. I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. Potrero Hill, Showplace Square and Dogpatch are undergoing massive growth, with 1000s of new residents moving here in the next several years, and our community has yet to receive the funding for our parks, recreation facilities, and other amenities that the City promised to support that growth under the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan. Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to Jackson seeking health and healing. Our 120 social distance circles are well used. Before Covid-19, however, San Franciscans from all zip codes came to Potrero Hill to play at Jackson Park. Because they are two of only nine with lights in the City, our ball fields absorb heavy usage. Nighttime adult leagues as well as middle and high school teams from the San Francisco Unified School District practice and play at Jackson Park. Once ballgames are allowed again, there will be no open space at Jackson for the neighborhood to gather. According to the Recreation and Park Department (RPD), over 2,200 people used the park every week. With the current and projected development in the east side of the City, this number will certainly increase. Jackson Playground hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playing fields have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground and restrooms don't comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements. Jackson meets the investment priorities identified by the RPD, and neighborhood advocacy has secured over \$17 million in pledged funds from both private and public sources for the project. The current renovation plan, developed in coordination with the RPD, will be shovel ready when we receive the necessary funds from the Bond to bridge the funding gap. Unfortunately, as the Bond is currently drafted, Jackson hasn't been named as a priority project with no guarantees that that necessary funding will ever be available. Without a minimum of \$10 million in Bond funding the renovation can not proceed. Please help us ensure that Jackson Playground receives the support it needs by making it a named project with at least \$10 million in dedicated funding. Thank you for your support.

This is long, long, overdue!

Philip Anasovich AIA

From: [Garth Spiller](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please ADD McKinley Square Park to the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:04:00 AM

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Advocacy for the McKinley Square Park renovation project (SFRPD Approved 2012)
www.mckinleysquarepark.org (see full approved park plans under:
http://www.mckinleysquarepark.org/Master_Plan_and_Funding.html

I'm writing to ask for your support to allocate at least \$10 million to the *approved* SFRPD McKinley Square Park and Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery bond.

Before Covid-19, San Franciscans from all zip codes came to Potrero Hill to play at McKinley Square.

Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to McKinley Square seeking health and healing.

McKinley Square hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playground and areas have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground does not comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements.

McKinley Square park meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department.

The many Friends of McKinley Square Park Foundation (FoMSP) have been working in good faith with the community and City agencies since 2009.

Unfortunately, during that time and our location (away from any new, large construction projects) we have not received any pledged funds from both private and public sources.

Our project plans recieved overwhelming approval from SFRPD (2009- 2012) after years of community meetings and complete completion of the required parks planning process (SF Parks Trust) with hundreds of neighbors participating.

We ask that you remember us, invest in us (one of only three PH parks) and not forget about McKinley Square Park. We are here and McKinley deserves your love and kindness.

Thank you for your support.

Garth Spiller

415.305.4489

636 Vermont Street

From: [Susan Chapman](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Playground
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:13:39 AM

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Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

I have been a homeowner and resident on Potrero Hill for nearly 30 years. Our children, now in their 20's, attended a neighborhood school (Live Oak School, just across the street from Jackson) from kindergarten through 8th grade. Our family and children grew up playing at Jackson Playground and Live Oak students used the fields there for recess during their school day. Jackson is definitely the primary recreational area in our neighborhood. At different points in time when dogs were welcome on the fields, we also used that space to walk and exercise our family pets.

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Chapman
2419 18th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
Homeowner and resident at this address since 1991

From: [paul kos](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:38:05 AM

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Thank you for your support.
Paul Kos

From: [Margo Bors](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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The Board of Supervisors
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

I have lived on Potrero Hill for over 50 years and I am writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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From: [Gary Kitahata](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff, \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support for Peace Plaza Renovation Project, part of \$438.5M proposed G.O. bonds
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:43:38 AM
Attachments: [Support for Peace Plaza Renovation Project part of \\$438.5M proposed G.O. bonds.msg](#)

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From: [Gary Kitahata](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [MandelmanStaff, \[BOS\]](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support for Peace Plaza Renovation Project, part of \$438.5M proposed G.O. bonds
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:43:35 AM

Members of the Budget and Finance Committee: Sandra Lee Fewer, Shamann Walton, Rafael Mandelman

District Supervisor: Norman Yee

Dear Supervisors:

I strongly support the Peace Plaza Renovation Project, which is part of the proposed \$438.5 million G.O. issue that comprises items 14 and 15 on your Budget & Finance Committee agenda for 6/24/20. I live in Glen Park/Sunnyside, but I am a member of the Buddhist Church of San Francisco in Japantown and that neighborhood has long been a part of my family's life for community activities and shopping. Peace Plaza is an invaluable public space for Japantown and is a focal point for defining the community. I know as a former Redevelopment Commissioner from 1989-95 about how government has failed this area by causing displacement and relocation, without recreating the heart and soul of the neighborhood that existed before. The Peace Plaza Renovation Project is an important step for San Francisco to live up to what redevelopment promised, but failed to achieve. I urge you to support items 14 and 15 in favor of these bonds.

Sincerely,

Gary Kitahata

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From: [Brendan Duffy](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 12:32:21 PM

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I personally have enjoyed great usage of the park over the years and have fond memories of touch-football games with my friends when I was kid, including one we held every year during half-time on Super-Bowl Sunday.

Thank you for your support.

Brendan

From: [Martha M](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 12:35:46 PM

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I enjoy Jackson Park and hope that it can be renovated like so many of the parks on the west and north sides of the City have already been.

Thank you for your support.

Martha Mangold

From: [Angela Neff](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Angela Neff](#)
Subject: Please ADD McKinley Square Park to the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 12:41:09 PM

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Advocacy for the McKinley Square Park renovation project (SFRPD Approved 2012)
www.mckinleysquarepark.org (see full approved park plans under:
http://www.mckinleysquarepark.org/Master_Plan_and_Funding.html) I'm writing to ask for your support to allocate at least \$10 million to the *approved* SFRPD McKinley Square Park and Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery bond. Before Covid-19, San Franciscans from all zip codes came to Potrero Hill to play at McKinley Square. Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to McKinley Square seeking health and healing. McKinley Square hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playground and areas have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground does not comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements. McKinley Square park meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. The many Friends of McKinley Square Park Foundation (FoMSP) have been working in good faith with the community and City agencies since 2009. Unfortunately, during that time and our location (away from any new, large construction projects) we have not received any pledged funds from both private and public sources. Our project plans received overwhelming approval from SFRPD (2009- 2012) after years of community meetings and complete completion of the required parks planning process (SF Parks Trust) with hundreds of neighbors participating. We ask that you remember us, invest in us (one of only three PH parks) and not forget about McKinley Square Park. We are here and McKinley deserves your love and kindness. Thank you for your support. Angela Neff Vermont street neighborhood association (415) 518-3140

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Don't agonize. Organize.

— Nancy Pelosi

If you're not living on the edge, you're taking up way too much space.

—Tiffany Shlain's father

Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.

—Scott Adams, American Cartoonist, b.1957

Come to find out my end quote that I thought originated with H.M Tomlinson, was an

adaptation of one written many centuries ago...

"We don't see the world as it is, we see the world as we are." -The Talmud

From: [Lucas Tejeda](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 12:43:45 PM

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From: [Dave T.](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocating for Jackson Park
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As a pediatrician, as a parent of 3 and as a long time resident of Potrero Hill I can't overestimate the importance of this vital green space to the rapidly growing population of Potrero/Dogpatch. I know you are aware of the incredible building boom that has already added thousands of new residents within a few blocks of the Park.

Thank you for our efforts, time and consideration.

David Tejeda

From: [Frances](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 1:18:35 PM

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Thank you for your support.

From: [Mercy Tolve](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
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Dear Board of Supervisors:

I'm writing to ask for your support to allocate **at least \$10 million** to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery bond.

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Both of our girls have spent hours at Jackson Park's playground, playing in the sand, on the monkey bars and basketball courts. We would love to see investment in this park to make it an even better space for them and children across the city in the future.

Thank you for your support.

Mercy Tolve

From: [J.R. Eppler](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Letter Requesting Naming Jackson Playground to 2020 Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 2:01:57 PM
Attachments: [BoS Letter re Jackson 20200623.pdf](#)

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Bcc: Sups. Sandra Fewer, Catherine Stefani, Aaron Peskin, Gordon Mar, Dean Preston, Matt Haney, Norman Yee, Rafel Mandelman, Hillary Ronen, Shamann Walton and Asha Safai;
Clerk of the Land Use Committee Linda Wong

Dear Supervisors:

Please find attached a letter from the Potrero Boosters Neighborhood Association requesting that Jackson Playground be a named project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond with at least \$10 million dedicated to its renovation.

Sincerely,
J.R. Eppler
President



POTRERO BOOSTERS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

June 23, 2020

The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Dedicating Funding to Jackson Playground in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Supervisors:

To meet the needs of a quickly growing residential community, the Potrero Boosters Neighborhood Association requests that you dedicate at least \$10 million to Jackson Playground as a named project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

Construction continues apace on the hundreds of housing units within one-half mile of Jackson Playground (“Jackson”). Jackson cannot adequately satisfy current neighborhood demand, and its renovation is a key mitigation in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan rezoning. If Jackson does not receive timely funding in this bond cycle, its untenable condition will further deteriorate, leaving thousands of members of our community without adequate open space and Recreation and Parks programming.

Indeed, our community’s need has been demonstrated during our ongoing shelter in place, as Jackson is regularly packed with our neighbors seeking outdoor exercise. It should not have taken COVID-19 for Jackson to become a true neighborhood-serving park.

Jackson meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department (“SFRPD”). Specifically:

- **Jackson is located in a high growth area.** Jackson is centrally located in the area zoned for high density, mixed-use development in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan, and its renovation was identified as a necessary mitigation under that plan. Several mixed-use developments are under construction within one block of Jackson, and more are under construction, entitled or being entitled within half a mile of the park.

- **Renovation of Jackson would address safety issues.** The clubhouse facility at Jackson is in ill repair and poor seismic condition, and its bathrooms are not ADA compliant. The lack of unprogrammed community-serving space often results in our neighbors encroaching on the fields while games are being played, creating a safety risk. Playground equipment is regularly damaged, and often goes weeks without repair.
- **Renovation will enhance Jackson's role as a multi-use community facility.** Jackson's sports fields serve the whole of the City. Its clubhouse is the site of a popular afterschool program. Its playground and fields are used daily by the school across the street. While Jackson provides these services, it lacks unprogrammed open space and non-sports programming desperately needed for the whole of the community. A renovation would enhance Jackson's City-wide strengths while allowing it to better serve the surrounding neighborhood.
- **Jackson is deficient and many of its facilities are in poor condition.** While many of Jackson's deficiencies (both physical and programmatic) are outlined elsewhere in this letter, we would further point out that the baseball and softball fencing is aging and its bleachers are beyond their useful life. There are drainage issues within the facility, and areas where runoff spills directly onto the surrounding sidewalks.
- **Jackson will be shovel-ready when bond funds become available.** Friends of Jackson Park ("FoJP") has spearheaded the design of a new Jackson, working in concert with SFRPD to judiciously refine the needs of the neighborhood into an actionable design. FoJP has conducted significant public outreach, and the major hurdle to finalizing the design is having the clear top-line budget number that the parks bond would establish.
- **Jackson has raised significant outside funding.** FoJP has worked tirelessly to raise funds for a Jackson renovation, with over \$9 million in pledges from local developers and businesses. FoJP has successfully lobbied for \$8 million from the Interagency Plan Implementation Committee through the Eastern Neighborhoods Citizens Advisory Committee. With an additional \$10 million in funding from the bond, SFRPD will be able to deliver a new Jackson.

In sum, Jackson clearly meets SFRPD's investment priorities.

Moreover, the renovation of Jackson would serve as a leadership model for community involvement in parks planning. FoJP has prudently spent a small fraction of the money it's raised to conduct significant community outreach, synthesizing needs and developing a comprehensive renovation design. FoJP has worked hand-


in-hand with SFRPD in refining the design to better reflect budgetary realities and City priorities.

The Potrero Boosters Neighborhood Association has been involved in many parks planning processes, both with SFRPD and with other planning partners. The process led by FoJP in partnership with SFRPD is notable is that it has been consistently smooth and productive. Completing the process—completing the park renovation—would show how well a public-private partnership may work to the benefit of the community.

But for that to happen, 2020 Health and Recovery Bond must specifically name Jackson Playground and dedicate at least \$10 million to its renovation.

Please take this step to ensure that our growing neighborhood has the facilities it so desperately needs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.R. Eppler". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a cursive "Eppler".

J.R. Eppler
President

From: [Patricia Akinaga](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health & Recovery Bond: Buchanan Mall
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 2:09:07 PM

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To the Board of Supervisors,

I ask that you vote to include Buchanan Mall in the 2020 San Francisco Health & Recovery Bond.

Certain San Francisco neighborhoods have experienced amazing growth and investment in recent years but others have been left out of that progress. This is an opportunity for San Francisco to address the inequity in investment, community resources, and community wellness between neighborhoods.

This neighborhood has invested years of time, energy, and collaboration to create a vision and plan for this park that has not seen investment in 45 years. The Fillmore neighborhood and community deserve a safe, inviting and culturally rich public space. During this time of sheltering in place we have learned the importance of shared open spaces that support healthy living, recreation and exercise. The Buchanan Mall can offer that to the community.

I sincerely ask that Buchanan Mall be included in the 2020 San Francisco Health & Recovery Bond.

We do believe in the potential that Buchanan Mall has to be the catalyst of urban transformation,

Best,

Patricia Akinaga

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From: [Jeanette Huie](#)
To: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: letter in support of Portsmouth Square
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 2:19:33 PM
Attachments: [Portsmouth Square.pdf](#)

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June 22, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors,

We are writing to urge the Board of Supervisors to include Portsmouth Square as part of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. The revitalization of Portsmouth Square is one of the most important projects planned for San Francisco Chinatown in over four decades, improving this critical space not only for Chinatown residents but for all San Franciscans who know Portsmouth Square as the birthplace of the city. Many of you have attended events at Portsmouth Square and understand the importance of this sacred space. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic's ongoing threat to our community health and economic survival, it's more critical than ever that Portsmouth Square be included in the upcoming bond.

More than half of Chinatown's residents live in Single Room Occupancies (SROs) and the pandemic has further threatened adverse health outcomes resulting from lack of fresh air and open movement. Worship services and other essential activities at the Presbyterian Church in Chinatown have gone online since the middle of March yet our pastors and a committed group of members have kept our food pantry open for a weekly distribution to 120 seniors. ***We advocate for any improvement that will benefit the families and seniors who reside in our community!*** Our members are also donating funds for school supplies that will be distributed to 200 SRO families. We are concerned for the overall well-being of the residents who have no other option but to live in crowded conditions.

Portsmouth Square is the largest open space in this neighborhood, serving as an essential park and an iconic and historic civic plaza for the oldest Chinatown in America. The Square is the community's central space from dawn to midnight for family and senior recreation, community cultural festivals, and civic demonstrations (most recently, the rally against xenophobia from COVID-19). Yet while hugely popular among locals and tourists, the Square is dilapidating from aging infrastructure and outdated design, failing the community's needs.

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To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund Jackson Park improvements
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 2:33:54 PM
Attachments: [Jackson Advocacy Letter - BoS_pages](#)

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Please see my letter advocating for including Jackson Park in upcoming bond election.

From: [Lindsey Hayford](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 2:34:17 PM

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My kids need a safe place to run and play near our home in Potrero Hill. These funds are greatly needed to upgrade the park that we love so dearly.

Thank you for your support.

Lindsey Hayford
Potrero Hill Resident since 2008

From: [Jennifer Jimenez-Cruz](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:05:12 PM

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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Thanks,
Jennifer Jimenez-Cruz
312 Texas St

From: [Emily Wang](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Bruss, Andrea \(MYR\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Park - Recreation center
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:36:18 PM
Attachments: [image.png](#)
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Hello Mayor Breed and City Supervisors,

As a resident of district 10 for over a decade and a parent of 2 young children, I have seen the evaporation of many young families in our neighborhood since my first child was born 4 years ago. Much of this is simply the lack of public amenities which aim to accommodate long term residents and in particular families with children, i.e. decent and accessible parks. Having a simple playground with some green space is a basic need which our neighborhood is hard pressed to find, and one which I would hope and expect the city would support. During the shelter in place, that missing amenity has become ever more important as we've been asked to maintain locally. I urge the city and those making these decisions to recognize there are areas of San Francisco, in the eastern neighborhoods, which have been rapidly growing in population due to previously instituted zoning for increased density, yet are still largely lacking basic amenities needed to service these growing populations.

See the SF planning map (2014) which listed Jackson park as a priority from the eastern neighborhoods plan. We have yet to see dedicated improvements pursued by the city which the neighborhood has been working tirelessly to be prepared. Designs and permitting processes are well underway, but without the completed funding arm we may not have the capacity to realize what was envisioned. At the same time, all the housing density approved by the eastern neighborhoods plan is finally being realized where we are seeing projects adjacent and within 2 blocks adding over 1000 new residents. Beyond growth this is in an area identified in dire need for recreation access (found from online sources 2011) Jackson park falls in the middle of a RED zone of poor access to public recreation.

We need this park to be improved and to be capable of accommodating the needs of its existing and growing resident population, please consider this with all seriousness for yet another life line of continued residential and community livability.



https://generalplan.sfplanning.org/Recreation_OpenSpace_Element_ADOPTED.pdf

Public Recreation Access Score

Distance weighted recreation access score

High : 100
Low : 0

Parks, Open Spaces, and Recreation Centers

0 0.5 1 2 Miles

Source: San Francisco Planning Department, 2011

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Environmental Health Section

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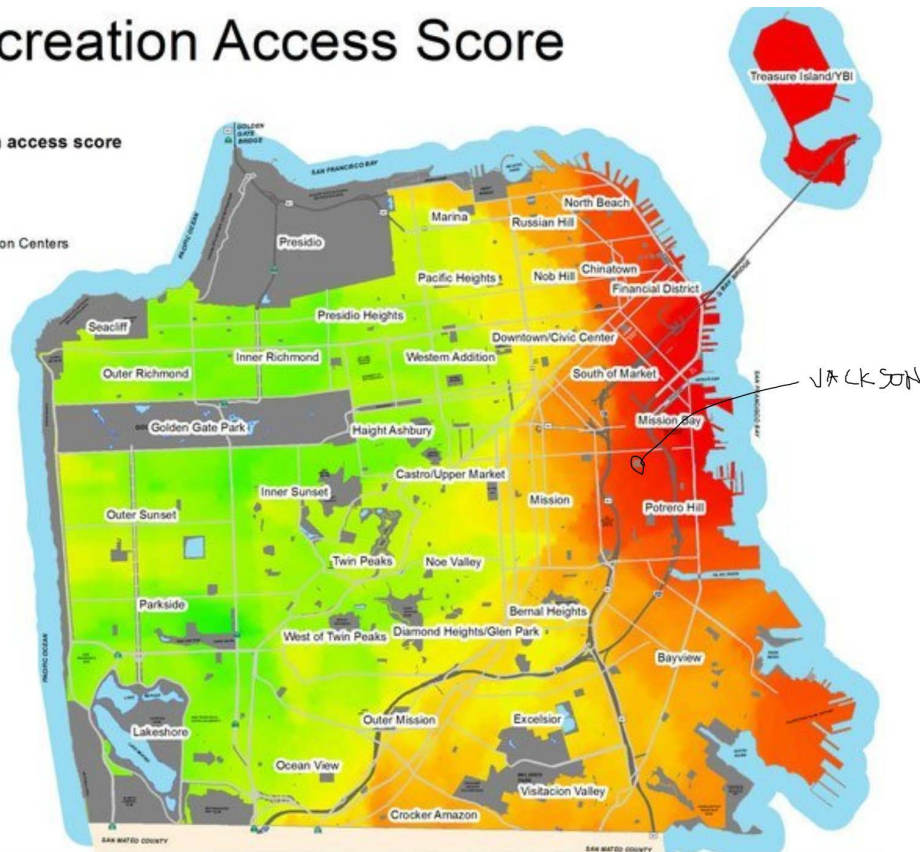
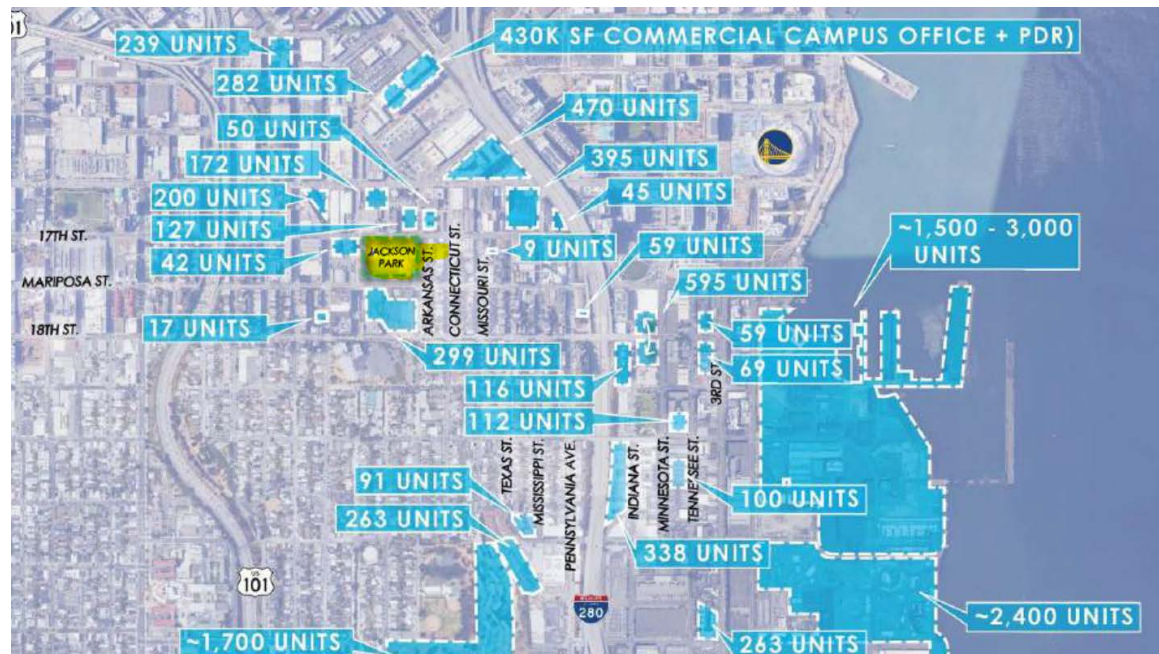


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Thank you,
Emily Wang
Resident of District 10

From: [ARASH ANOSHIRAVANI](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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Hello,

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Over the last 15 years, my two kids have grown up on Potrero Hill, and Jackson was the only grass field accessible to them in child-walking-distance on which they could run, kick a ball, do a cartwheel, or have a picnic. Today, there are more kids, families, and dogs(!) vying for space with aforementioned baseball players in a neighborhood with very limited park space. We need your help to update this park and make it accessible to all who need outdoor space.

Thank you for your support.

Arash Anoshiravani, MD
Rhode Island St,
San Francisco

From: [John Kanberg](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:16:16 PM

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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

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Thank you for your support.

From: [Darius Contractor](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support for Jackson park
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:21:58 PM

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Mayor + Board of Supervisors,

I am a homeowner with a family of 3 in District 10.

I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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I also request that we have "Family time" on the fields during the middle of the day on weekends, so that people can enjoy the large field without threat of being hit by a baseball.

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Darius Contractor
440 Utah St
SF, CA 94110

From: libby.libbydodd.com
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:23:24 PM

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Thank you for your support.

Libby Dodd
District 10 resident

From: [Pat Flanagan](#)
To: [BOS-Supervisors](#)
Cc: [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: Peace Plaza
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:23:30 PM

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To whom this may concern, my name is Pat Flanagan, and my family is the proud owner of the Kabuki Theatre and Spa in the Japantown Community. I am a native son of San Francisco, having been raised in the Cow Hollow area, at Green and Pierce, and having attended Saint Ignatius College Prep both at the old location on Stanyan Street, as well as their current location. I used to take the 22 Fillmore bus to school, and would transfer right where the Kabuki stands today.

Clearly, we are at a very historic and chaotic time; where there seems to be a lack of leadership that can bring all of us together as a community. It wasn't always like this, growing up in San Francisco; I really felt like I was part of a very loving and caring community, when many worked together for the betterment of the whole. My father grew up at the base of Telegraph Hill, went to Galileo High, became a San Francisco policeman; and ultimately became the Western Regional Director of the AFL-CIO. He was their point person for organizing the Farm Workers amongst other industry groups.

The Peace Plaza project is being considered at such an appropriate time in the history of San Francisco. The Japanese community has always been one of the nicest and inclusive groups of San Francisco citizens that I have had the opportunity to become associated with.

How the Japanese community was treated during the World War 2 period, was a very dark mark on the history of San Francisco; and it's amazing that so little has been done to make amends for those atrocities. It's a part of our history that so very few are even aware of; and the Japanese community has always been just so kind and forward thinking, that they themselves have chosen to be too silent.

We are very supportive, and hope the city will be in supporting the Peace Plaza Renovation Project. Thank you, Pat Flanagan

From: [Michele Hangee-Bauer](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

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As a Potrero Hill resident, an owner of SF Natural Medicine, also on Potrero Hill, and a long-time active member of the Potrero Dogpatch Merchant Association, I am pleading with you to get the funding so this project can move forward.

Potrero Hill, Showplace Square and Dogpatch are undergoing massive growth, with 1000s of new residents moving here in the next several years, and our community has yet to receive the funding for our parks, recreation facilities, and other amenities that the City promised to support that growth under the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan.

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Thank you for your support.

From: [Michael Magnuson](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:41:11 PM

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As you know, the southeast portion of the city already suffers from inadequate open space relative to other parts of San Francisco. As such, we need Jackson Park to be oriented toward uses that most benefit the underserved residents of this part of the city. We can no longer afford to have this precious resource be dominated by two giant baseball fields. Each of these fields uses nearly 2 acres each in order to serve a max of 20-25 people at a time -- that's 4 extremely scarce acres that are being programmed in such a way that they can serve a maximum of just 10 people per acre!!! And that is to say nothing of the fact that only a minority of the small group of people using these fields even live in the surrounding neighborhood that depends on this park.

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Thank you for your support.

--Mike

From: [Sapna Mahwal](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please ADD McKinley Square Park to the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:50:17 PM

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Advocacy for the McKinley Square Park renovation project (SFRPD Approved 2012)
www.mckinleysquarepark.org (see full approved park plans under:
http://www.mckinleysquarepark.org/Master_Plan_and_Funding.html) I'm writing to ask for your support to allocate at least \$10 million to the *approved* SFRPD McKinley Square Park and Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery bond. Before Covid-19, San Franciscans from all zip codes came to Potrero Hill to play at McKinley Square. Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to McKinley Square seeking health and healing. McKinley Square hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playground and areas have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground does not comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements. McKinley Square park meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. The many Friends of McKinley Square Park Foundation (FoMSP) have been working in good faith with the community and City agencies since 2009. Unfortunately, during that time and our location (away from any new, large construction projects) we have not received any pledged funds from both private and public sources. Our project plans recieved overwhelming approval from SFRPD (2009- 2012) after years of community meetings and complete completion of the required parks planning process (SF Parks Trust) with hundreds of neighbors participating. We ask that you remember us, invest in us (one of only three PH parks) and not forget about McKinley Square Park. We are here and McKinley deserves your love and kindness. Thank you for your support.

Sapna Mahwal
Potrero Hill D10 San Francisco

From: [Kevin Brunner](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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Thanks

Kevin Brunner
Brunner Construction

From: [Keipper, Matthew](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Supporting Jackson Park on the 2020 Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:01:01 PM

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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Related California's recently constructed 1601 Mariposa Street project in Potrero Hill has generously supported the Friends of Jackson Park with a sizeable private donation in order to help realize this vision of high quality open space so that Jackson Park may best serve the growing residential community of the Eastern Neighborhoods and San Franciscans alike.

Thank you for your support,

Matt Keipper

—

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From: [Stan Chapman](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Park
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:03:08 PM

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Dear Supervisors,,

I am writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

I have been a homeowner and resident on Potrero Hill for nearly 30 years. Our children, now in their 20's, attended a neighborhood school (Live Oak School, just across the street from Jackson) from kindergarten through 8th grade. Our family and children grew up playing at Jackson Playground and Live Oak students used the fields there for recess during their school day. Jackson is definitely the primary recreational area in our neighborhood. At different points in time when dogs were welcome on the fields, we also used that space to walk and exercise our family pets.

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Stanley E. Chapman

2419 18th Street

San Francisco, CA 94110

Homeowner and resident at this address since 1991

From: [Robert Passaro](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:07:12 PM

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Thank you for your support.

best regards,
Robert Passaro

From: [Nathan Mee](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 6:02:17 PM

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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

I'm a proud resident of Potrero Hill, and a frequent user of Jackson Park. I love the neighborhood, but we are woefully lacking in open space, and that problem is going to get worse, fast, with so much new (and much needed!) housing being built here.

I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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Sincerely,

Nathan Mee

From: monicabhagwan@gmail.com
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?Q?=C2=A0linda=2Ewong?=@sfgov.org](mailto=?utf-8?Q?=C2=A0linda=2Ewong?=@sfgov.org)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:11:14 PM

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Thank you for your support.

From: [Ariel Braunstein](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:15:59 PM

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Ariel Braunstein
Potrero Hill Resident

From: [Deanna McDougall](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:32:01 PM

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Of the City and County of San Francisco

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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

I live on Connecticut street, on Potrero Hill and love Jackson Park. I've played baseball with my nephews, walked dogs around the outside, and mostly play tennis there in the day and night! When a court is busy, I bring a basketball and practice making dunks until the tennis court frees up.

I've celebrated numerous baseball birthdays with my nephews and family at Jackson park, and we usually leave with splinters from the seats, and things dirty or muddy, since there isn't accommodation, not clean seating, drinking fountains, bathrooms, tables or places to organize gear.

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Thank you for your consideration!

Respectfully,
Deanna McDougall

(Family photos attached)

From: [Karli Helm](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Include Buchanan Mall in the Park Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:10:17 PM

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Karli Helm and I am a resident of Hayes Valley. I have lived in San Francisco for 10 years. I'm emailing you today to request that the Buchanan Mall be included in the 2020 Park Bond.

I walk the Buchanan Street Mall daily, and especially given the social and political climate we are experiencing nation-wide, I believe including Buchanan Street Mall in the 2020 Park Bond is an integral part of providing safe spaces to a community that needs AND deserves it most.

It's nearly-empty almost every time I pass through, regardless of the day of the week or time. That being said, I think that it has great potential to bring folks together and serve the community that surrounds it, if given the funding. I would like to add that considering the impact COVID-19/Shelter in Place has had specifically on black and low income communities, it is essential that there be space for the folks in this neighborhood to gather and safely social distance.

Thank you for your time,
Karli Helm
619.948.7053

From: [Jessica Hurst](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Invest in Black Communities
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:18:05 PM

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Hello,

My name is Jessica Hurst and I am a resident of San Francisco's Richmond District. I am writing to urge you to please include Buchanan Mall in the Park Bond.

Thank you,

Jessica Hurst

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Best,

Jessica Hurst

From: [Carrie Messina](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); linda.wong@sfgov.org
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:35:42 PM

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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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The time is now! Jackson Park is an essential open space for a community that has grown exponentially. Please make this a priority.

Thank you for your support.

Carrie Messina, M.A.
Educational Therapist
415.269.5600

Sent from my iPhone

From: [DeAnn Work](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Park Renovation Support
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:53:17 PM

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The Park is particularly important to those of us in Potrero Hill and nearby areas in SoMa and Dogpatch, as the local population has grown in recent years (including many children) and we don't have much open space compared to the western and northern parts of the City. Allowing our neighborhood to be able to enjoy some green space, while still supporting the various leagues and games that need to use the fields that are in such scarce supply, is hugely important, particularly while we are all spending so much more time close to home.

Thank you for your support.

DeAnn, Paul & Thomas Work
714 Kansas Street

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DeAnn Work

deannfwork@gmail.com

Cell: 415.706.1343

From: [Cathleen Brady](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 9:13:36 PM

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June 23, 2020

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Thank you for your support, Cathleen Brady

From: [Priscilla Scala](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support for Jackson park
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:27:44 PM

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Mayor + Board of Supervisors,

I am a homeowner with a family of 3 in District 10.

I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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I also request that we have "Family time" on the fields during the day on weekends, so that people can enjoy the large field without threat of being hit by a baseball. In these months of SIP kids and families have been able to enjoy the park for picnics and play time and it would be really sad to take it away from them.

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with no guarantees that that necessary funding will ever be available. Without a minimum of \$10 million in Bond funding the renovation can not proceed.

Please help us ensure that Jackson Playground receives the support it needs by making it a named project with at least \$10 million in dedicated funding.

Thank you for your support,

Priscilla Scala
440 Utah St
SF, CA 94110

From: [Heidi Zak](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:52:52 PM

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Thank you for your support.
Heidi Zak, CEO ThirdLove & Potrero Hill resident

From: [Jim Westover](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 8:08:17 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond - COF-D1.pdf](#)

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Thank you for your support of our parks and City!

Sincerely,



June 23, 2020

Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA

Via email Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

District 1 Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Jim Westover', with a stylized, cursive script.

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From: [Melissa Kaselitz](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#)
Subject: GREEN SPACE- Jackson Playground needs to remain named project in the Health and Recovery Bond on the November 2020 ballot!
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 9:11:05 AM

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Mayor Breed and team,

Jackson Playground was named a project in the Health and Recovery Bond on the November 2020 ballot, with at least \$10 million dedicated to its renovation and it looks like it has been removed. I just wanted to reach out personally as a Potrero Hill resident for over 15 years and a family of 4 to let you know how critical this project is to the neighborhood and the city at large. Green Space is partly what makes San Francisco, San Francisco, it is a city where nature is not forgotten, but also where "cleaning up the city" desperately needs to keep happening. Personally I have taken my kids to this park since they were babies to use the playground and green space and so has my babysitter when I had to work. My daughter and son go to Live Oak that is so very dependent on this green space and it's facilities. It is one place that serves soooo many people and it's a very large Green Space.

It has become so run down, the bathrooms are almost unusable and extremely dirty, the drinking fountains are the same. The sand in the playground we sometimes find needles in it. Things in the playground need replacement. There is so much that could be done with this space to keep the promise of Green Space that represents the respect we have for these shared spaces that people use as a city. We go twice a day to Jackson Playground, please make sure this stays on the Bond, we as a neighborhood desperately need this space fixed up so it can be used with comfort, safety, and sanitary facilities. In this "new normal" Green Space and social distancing and sanitary facilities has become that much more important. I am asking personally and on behalf of our entire neighborhood to ensure this is put back on the ballot for November 2020!

Thanks for listening,
Melissa

From: [Jeff Klein](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [PrestonStaff \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Buchanan Street Mall - Park Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 9:14:28 AM

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Supervisors, and Supervisor Preston, I am a constituent of District 5 living in Hayes valley off of Buchanan street. I am asking as a resident whose need for green space has increased with Covid shelter in place that you please amend the Health and Recovery Bond this November to include Buchanan Street Mall in the Park Bond. This green space has been traditionally underserved and many of the parks on the bond right now already have ample funding. This is a huge opportunity to transform this community space into something even better.

Thanks so much and I look forward to your action on this matter.

Best,
Jeff

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Jeff Klein

<http://jeffkle.in>

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(678) 642-0491

From: [Nguyen, Kristina](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Supporting Jackson Park on the 2020 Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 9:17:01 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Thank you for your support,

Kristina Nguyen

Assistant General Manager
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To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
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PLEASE ADD SMALL-DOG PLAY AREA

MORE DOG PARKS ARE NEEDED BECAUSE SAN FRANCISCO IS RESCUE CITY

THANK YOU & GREAT JOB, LOVE YOU

From: [Restrepo, Andres](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Supporting Jackson Park on the 2020 Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 9:28:55 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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From: [Stacie Morris](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [=?utf-8?B?wqBsaW5kYS53b25n?=@sfgov.org](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 10:04:20 AM

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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Thank you for your support.

Thanks, Stacie

From: [Wendy vanden Heuvel](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: A letter in about Jackson Playground and Park : Requesting it to be a Priority Project
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 11:27:33 AM
Attachments: [Jackson Advocacy Letter - BoS .docx](#)

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The letter is attached, thank you.
Wendy vanden Heuvel

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Wendy vanden Heuvel
piece by piece productions
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June 24th, 2020

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I live in Potrero Hill and my family and neighbors as well as my daughter's school Live Oak use the park on a regular basis. The park is in great need of funding.

- o It is located in a high-growth area

- o Renovation would address seismic and other safety issues
- o Jackson is a multi-use community facility and renovation would enhance that character
- o Jackson's facilities are deficient and in poor condition
- o Jackson will be shovel ready when bond funds become available
- o Significant funding has been raised for the renovation by Friends of Jackson Park, totaling \$17 million from private sources and impact fees paid by developers.
- o Jackson serves a diverse community, hosting afterschool programs for our two local elementary schools.

Thank you for your support.

Wendy vanden Heuvel

From: [Dianne Bates](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Keep Jackson Park as Open Space!
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 11:37:26 AM

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Dear Supervisors and Supervisor Walton, District 10 -

I would like to advocate for Jackson Park for the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond **but only to keep it as open space** and centralize softball fields at a sports complex elsewhere.

One of the silver linings of Covid has been the opening up of Jackson Park..

Prior to Covid, Jackson Park sat idle, wasted space protected for softball leagues not from the neighborhood who play just a few days/nights a week part of the year. If you dared go in, you were often scolded by Park & Rec Maintenance or even ticketed if you had a well-behaved dog. It was never welcoming.

I support updating the clubhouse for kids after school programs and the playground among other improvements. However, the current Jackson Park plan includes the same softball fields that used to capitalize the area, and pushes people and their well-behaved dogs to small corners of the park. Yet access to the open space is what is driving the now thousands of visits a week to the circles!

I understand sports are important but it seems they could be condensed in a sports focused complex where the fields can be utilized constantly, rather than taking over (and drastically underutilizing) one of the only green spaces in Potrero Hill.

I urge you to please keep Jackson Park as open space for the neighborhood!

Thank you!

Dianne Bates
429 Vermont St
415-250-2177

From: [Alisa Guardiola](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Buchanan Mall
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 1:50:16 PM

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Hello,

My name is Alisa Guardiola. I am an Artist who seasonally resides in the city of San Francisco when I am performing. I perform for venues such as the Brava Theatre in the Mission District and for festivals in your city, such as the Día de Los Muertos Festival at your SoMarts space.

I'm writing to ask that you please include the Buchanan Mall in Park Bond for your upcoming November Election. COVID has magnified the importance of access to green space. The Buchanan Mall is integral to its community and must be protected.

Thank you,
Alisa Guardiola
1602 Colby Lane
Cedar Park, TX
78614

From: [Sydney Peterson](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Request from Resident to Include Buchanan Mall in the 2020 Park Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 1:58:17 PM

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Sydney Peterson and I am a San Francisco resident and taxpayer of six years. I'm contacting you to make my request heard that the Buchanan Mall be included in the 2020 Park Bond, under the San Francisco Health & Recovery Bond.

The public spaces of each neighborhood where I have lived and worked in this city have absolutely shaped the character of that community. The conditions of shelter-in-place have absolutely magnified the importance of inviting, public green spaces in each community, as they provide accessible space to support healthy living, exercise, and (especially right now) safe open-air community gathering.

At present, the park bond appears to disproportionately allocate funding to communities which have historically received ample support. I think that the choice to fund the Buchanan Mall would be one small but important step in addressing the impact of gentrification in the Fillmore as well as the uneven allocation of resources to community wellness across neighborhoods.

The Fillmore community has worked tirelessly over the last 45 years to shape a vision for this park, and I urge you to make the necessary changes to support them.

Thank you for your time,

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Sydney Peterson

The Chapel SF Box Office Manager and Venue Staff
(Pronouns: they/them/theirs)

Cell: [\(916\) 995-8424](tel:9169958424)

From: [Marcia McNeill](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Elainea de Vera](#)
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Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 3:26:08 PM

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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Elainea de Vera & Jeffrey Tanhueco

From: [Lucy Duan](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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I have lived in Potrero Hill in the past three years and go to Jackson Park almost daily with my dog. Jackson Park has been an integral part of our life and is a true oasis for our community, especially during the pandemic. An investment in Jackson Park would have lasting benefits for our community for decades to come.

Sincerely,

Lucy Duan

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From: [Kate Lechner](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Alicia Lo](#)
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Thank you for your support.

Alicia Lo

June 22, 2020

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In 25 + years of riding the 22 Fillmore to Potrero Hill, I have never seen Jackson Park other than highly utilized. As development from the Third Street and Mission corridors continues to expand out into the neighborhood – a true showcase of decent San Francisco development – Jackson Park and our youth need to share in that development to keep pace with the community.

Thank you for your support.

Barbara J. Parkyn

June 20, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

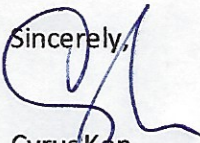
To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,


Cyrus Kon
San Francisco Japantown Native

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May 28, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
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Dear Supervisor Fewer:

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Sincerely,

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May 28, 2020

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Dear Supervisor Stefani:

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It is well documented that having safe green spaces for communities to gather helps keep neighborhoods and communities healthy and strong. Jackson Park has been serving in this capacity for a long time, and now is the time for updates to keep it going. Your support for this project on the bond will ensure this.

Thank you for your support.

Christine Jansen

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From: [Flannery Alber](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 3:22:35 PM

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Sincerely,

From: [Xander Walbridge](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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I was born and raised on Potrero Hill and moved back to the hill after 6 years on the East Coast to be closer to my family. Jackson Park is and has always been an important part of my life here in San Francisco and I look forward to taking my future children.

Thank you for your support.

Best,
Xander Walbridge

From: [Brendan Duffy](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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I personally have enjoyed great usage of the park over the years and have fond memories of touch-football games with my friends when I was kid, including one we held every year during half-time on Super-Bowl Sunday.

Thank you for your support.

Brendan

From: [Sam Ozer-Staton](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Amy Hansen](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Thank you for your consideration!

From: [Frances](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94134
(415) 260-5783

From: [Mercy Tolve](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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Both of our girls have spent hours at Jackson Park's playground, playing in the sand, on the monkey bars and basketball courts. We would love to see investment in this park to make it an even better space for them and children across the city in the future.

Thank you for your support.

Mercy Tolve

From: [Max Strang](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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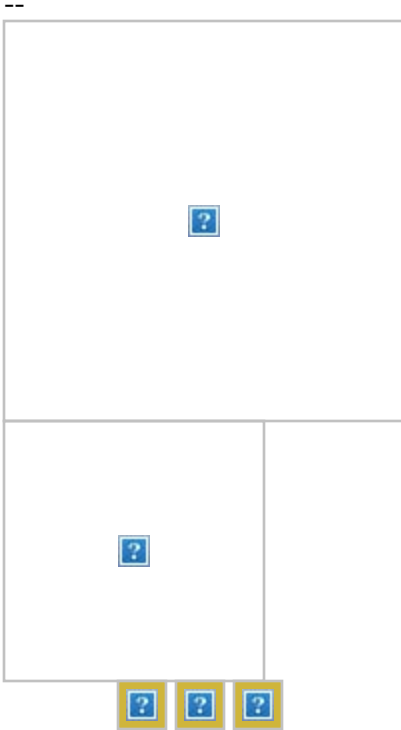
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Personally, I live across the street from this park and I'd love to see this park get the love and respect it deserves as a very, very important resource for this city and my community in Potrero Hill especially.

Thank you for your support,
Max



Max Strang

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From: [Lindsey Hayford](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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My kids need a safe place to run and play near our home in Potrero Hill. These funds are greatly needed to upgrade the park that we love so dearly.

Thank you for your support.

Lindsey Hayford
Potrero Hill Resident since 2008

From: [Lucas Tejeda](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Ahmed, Taha](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park Renovation Project
Date: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:07:32 PM

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Related California's recently constructed 1601 Mariposa Street project in Potrero Hill has generously supported the Friends of Jackson Park with a sizeable private donation in order to help realize this vision of high quality open space so that Jackson Park may best serve the growing residential community of the Eastern Neighborhoods and San Franciscans alike

Thank you for your support,

Taha Ahmed
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From: [Lucy Duan](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
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I have lived in Potrero Hill in the past three years and go to Jackson Park almost daily with my dog. Jackson Park has been an integral part of our life and is a true oasis for our community, especially during the pandemic. An investment in Jackson Park would have lasting benefits for our community for decades to come.

Sincerely,

Lucy Duan

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From: [Catherine Art](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 9:26:22 AM

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PLEASE ADD SMALL-DOG PLAY AREA

MORE DOG PARKS ARE NEEDED BECAUSE SAN FRANCISCO IS RESCUE CITY

THANK YOU & GREAT JOB, LOVE YOU

From: [Dave Raynor](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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My family and I LOVE Jackson Park, and use it often. My eight-year-old son plays in the playground and basketball court, and has soccer and baseball practice on the fields. During these COVID times it has become a community hub. But it needs some TLC and more unprogrammed space! And a dog run for our dog, which we need to take in the car to the closest dog run.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,
David Raynor & Erin Dolly

From: [Cathleen Brady](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
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Thank you for your support, Cathleen Brady

From: [Patrick Brady](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 9:07:03 PM

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POTRERO BOOSTERS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

June 23, 2020

The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Dedicating Funding to Jackson Playground in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Supervisors:

To meet the needs of a quickly growing residential community, the Potrero Boosters Neighborhood Association requests that you dedicate at least \$10 million to Jackson Playground as a named project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

Construction continues apace on the hundreds of housing units within one-half mile of Jackson Playground (“Jackson”). Jackson cannot adequately satisfy current neighborhood demand, and its renovation is a key mitigation in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan rezoning. If Jackson does not receive timely funding in this bond cycle, its untenable condition will further deteriorate, leaving thousands of members of our community without adequate open space and Recreation and Parks programming.

Indeed, our community’s need has been demonstrated during our ongoing shelter in place, as Jackson is regularly packed with our neighbors seeking outdoor exercise. It should not have taken COVID-19 for Jackson to become a true neighborhood-serving park.

Jackson meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department (“SFRPD”). Specifically:

- **Jackson is located in a high growth area.** Jackson is centrally located in the area zoned for high density, mixed-use development in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan, and its renovation was identified as a necessary mitigation under that plan. Several mixed-use developments are under construction within one block of Jackson, and more are under construction, entitled or being entitled within half a mile of the park.

- **Renovation of Jackson would address safety issues.** The clubhouse facility at Jackson is in ill repair and poor seismic condition, and its bathrooms are not ADA compliant. The lack of unprogrammed community-serving space often results in our neighbors encroaching on the fields while games are being played, creating a safety risk. Playground equipment is regularly damaged, and often goes weeks without repair.
- **Renovation will enhance Jackson's role as a multi-use community facility.** Jackson's sports fields serve the whole of the City. Its clubhouse is the site of a popular afterschool program. Its playground and fields are used daily by the school across the street. While Jackson provides these services, it lacks unprogrammed open space and non-sports programming desperately needed for the whole of the community. A renovation would enhance Jackson's City-wide strengths while allowing it to better serve the surrounding neighborhood.
- **Jackson is deficient and many of its facilities are in poor condition.** While many of Jackson's deficiencies (both physical and programmatic) are outlined elsewhere in this letter, we would further point out that the baseball and softball fencing is aging and its bleachers are beyond their useful life. There are drainage issues within the facility, and areas where runoff spills directly onto the surrounding sidewalks.
- **Jackson will be shovel-ready when bond funds become available.** Friends of Jackson Park ("FoJP") has spearheaded the design of a new Jackson, working in concert with SFRPD to judiciously refine the needs of the neighborhood into an actionable design. FoJP has conducted significant public outreach, and the major hurdle to finalizing the design is having the clear top-line budget number that the parks bond would establish.
- **Jackson has raised significant outside funding.** FoJP has worked tirelessly to raise funds for a Jackson renovation, with over \$9 million in pledges from local developers and businesses. FoJP has successfully lobbied for \$8 million from the Interagency Plan Implementation Committee through the Eastern Neighborhoods Citizens Advisory Committee. With an additional \$10 million in funding from the bond, SFRPD will be able to deliver a new Jackson.

In sum, Jackson clearly meets SFRPD's investment priorities.

Moreover, the renovation of Jackson would serve as a leadership model for community involvement in parks planning. FoJP has prudently spent a small fraction of the money it's raised to conduct significant community outreach, synthesizing needs and developing a comprehensive renovation design. FoJP has worked hand-

in-hand with SFRPD in refining the design to better reflect budgetary realities and City priorities.

The Potrero Boosters Neighborhood Association has been involved in many parks planning processes, both with SFRPD and with other planning partners. The process led by FoJP in partnership with SFRPD is notable is that it has been consistently smooth and productive. Completing the process—completing the park renovation—would show how well a public-private partnership may work to the benefit of the community.

But for that to happen, 2020 Health and Recovery Bond must specifically name Jackson Playground and dedicate at least \$10 million to its renovation.

Please take this step to ensure that our growing neighborhood has the facilities it so desperately needs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.R. Eppler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "J.R." being more prominent than the last name "Eppler".

J.R. Eppler
President

From: judyminton@aol.com
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Funding for Jackson Park renovation
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 1:38:29 PM

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June 22, 2020

To: Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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The lesson that we have all learned from the current pandemic is the critical importance of outdoor recreation space. Over the last years, Potrero Hill and Dogpatch have absorbed a huge percentage of the new housing built in the city. This influx has dramatically changed the feeling of our once quiet neighborhood. It is time for the city to step up and deliver some of the resources that we need to create a new community with our new neighbors. A renovated Jackson Park that includes a community center is critical and the time is now!

Thank you for your support.

Judy Minton
Potrero Hill resident since 1989

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: In Support of the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 11:02:08 AM

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**From:** Mogannam, Janine (LIB) <janine.mogannam@sfpl.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 22, 2020 4:00 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** In Support of the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project

To The Members of the Board of Supervisors,

My name is Janine Mogannam and I am a born-and-raised San Franciscan as well as the

Children's Librarian at the Western Addition Branch Library. I am writing to urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired, and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

In my six years serving our beloved Western Addition community, including Japantown, I have had the privilege of getting to know the neighborhood better than ever, as well as many of its wonderful residents. The Japanese community of San Francisco has a history that includes much joy and pride, but also more than its share of sorrow. From the forced internment of Japanese Americans during World War II to the forced displacement of the Japantown and Fillmore communities once again by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, Japantown has seen devastating setbacks in its opportunity to flourish as a hub of the Japanese community in San Francisco and Northern California. Despite these setbacks, the community has created a wonderful space in Japantown that attracts millions of visitors annually, tourists and locals alike, who flock to the neighborhood to experience Japanese culture, cuisine, entertainment and atmosphere.

At the center of it all is Peace Plaza, a wonderful space that has served the neighborhood and the city so well over the years, as a point of pride for Japantown and its residents. Unfortunately, the Plaza's current state is not up to standards as one of our beautiful city's most popular attractions. I have viewed the video detailing the renovation proposal, and I am incredibly excited about this vision for the Peace Plaza. I have no doubt that the renovation would attract tourists and locals alike to enjoy the Plaza, to feel awe-struck and peaceful and joyful and inspired, and to thereby support the City's economy through further explorations of the neighborhood. The residential base of the Japantown community may never return to this area, and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

With a deep love of our city of San Francisco and the Western Addition and Japantown neighborhoods, I urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Respectfully yours,

Janine Mogannam  
Children's Librarian, Western Addition Branch  
San Francisco Public Library

**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 10:51:44 AM

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Subject: Peace Plaza

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To whom this may concern, my name is Pat Flanagan, and my family is the proud owner of the Kabuki Theatre and Spa in the Japantown Community. I am a native son of San Francisco, having been raised in the Cow Hollow area, at Green and Pierce, and having attended Saint Ignatius College Prep both at the old location on Stanyan Street, as well as their current location. I used to take the 22 Fillmore bus to school, and would transfer right where the Kabuki stands today.

Clearly, we are at a very historic and chaotic time; where there seems to be a lack of leadership that can bring all of us together as a community. It wasn't always like this, growing up in San Francisco; I really felt like I was part of a very loving and caring community, when many worked together for the betterment of the whole. My father grew up at the base of Telegraph Hill, went to Galileo High, became a San Francisco policeman; and ultimately became the Western Regional Director of the AFL-CIO. He was their point person for organizing the Farm Workers amongst other industry groups. The Peace Plaza project is being considered at such an appropriate time in the history of San Francisco. The Japanese community has always been one of the nicest and inclusive groups of San Francisco citizens that I have had the opportunity to become associated with.

How the Japanese community was treated during the World War 2 period, was a very dark mark on the history of San Francisco; and it's amazing that so little has been done to make amends for those atrocities. It's a part of our history that so very few are even aware of; and the Japanese community has always been just so kind and forward thinking, that they themselves have chosen to be too silent.

We are very supportive, and hope the city will be in supporting the Peace Plaza Renovation Project.
Thank you, Pat Flanagan

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Support for Japantown Peace Plaza
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 10:51:38 AM

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**Subject:** Support for Japantown Peace Plaza

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Dear Supervisors,

As members of the Budget and Finance Committee, thank you for your hard work and dedication during these challenging times. It is challenging times such as these we are experiencing which will define us.

As the Budget and finance committee meets today, please be advised The San Francisco Council of District Merchants Associations, representing 34 diverse neighborhood merchant corridors and advocating for <43,570 tiny businesses, urges you to support the \$25 million allocations for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure (item 14 &15).

The greater S.F. community, as well as the Japantown community, deserve to have the Peace Plaza space be properly repaired and improved to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of the residents, community organizations, businesses, and visitors, local and from abroad.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. In light of the recent history ( WWII internment, RDA) we believe the Peace Plaza needs to be a **gem**, a symbol, and a gesture to celebrate the diverse cultures of our city while highlighting it's Japanese roots.

We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but we believe the surrounding community has been more than patient and it is time for this city to address and commit to this matter.

Having the means and desirable infrastructure to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. The benefit to the City and the residents will far outlive the burden of construction and the bond cost. Dont think of this as an obligation or some form of restitution, think of it as a needed investment.

Having an open space that addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million currently allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery Bond.

Thank you in advance for your time and thoughtful consideration,

*"Socially Distant but Staying Close"*

**Maryo Mogannam, President**

San Francisco Council of District Merchants Associations

Advocating for 43,570 tiny\* businesses with 217,850 employees

many of them living and **voting** in S.F. \*(10 or fewer employees)





**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Support the Japantown Peace Plaza Project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond  
**Date:** Monday, June 29, 2020 4:43:42 PM

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From: Douglas Nelson <Doug@rhaa.com>
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 3:08 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org; Masahiro Inoue <masahiro@rhaa.com>
Subject: Support the Japantown Peace Plaza Project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond

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To the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to you to ask for your support of the full \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza as currently included in the proposed 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Peace Plaza is the heart and cultural center of Japantown where neighborhood residents can enjoy the open space's daily informal uses, as well as a venue for cultural events and celebrations. I had the pleasure of working with the Japantown community on the concept designs for renovation of the plaza prepared by the Department of Public Works Landscape Architects. It was very clear how important this space is to the Japanese American community. The design was created through a series of public workshops that reflected the great interest and desires of the community to see improvements to the Peace Plaza.

Through relocation during World War II, and unfortunate redevelopment in the post-war years, the Japanese American community in San Francisco twice suffered loss of community. The community has been very resilient, but it needs a well-designed Peace Plaza. The plaza was created decades ago and is now in a deteriorated condition. The proposed redesign will address existing deficiencies and create a vibrant urban space for the community.

I know that there are many priorities throughout San Francisco, but this urban plaza supports an important and deserving cultural community and will provide it with long-term sustainability. Please support the full \$25 million allocation for the Peace Plaza project in the Health and Recovery bond.

Thank you,
Douglas Nelson.

Douglas Nelson, Landscape Architect, LEED AP
Principal

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From: [Alexi Chialtas](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fwd: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:16:31 AM

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My family (wife and 3 children) go to this park nearly every weekend to relax, play games and enjoy the sun. The playground will be used for years to come by our 2.5 year old and 9 month old but does need updating. We sometimes drive to Dolores, Lafayette or Koret playgrounds - as those serve as models for what a park should look like.

Thank you for your support.
Alexi Chialtas

22 june 2020

Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

Dear Esteemed Board of Supervisors,

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I have loved this park since my son was a young child 28 years ago.

Thank you for your visionary support,,

Frish Brandt

San Francisco Resident since 1974

June 24th, 2020

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I live in Potrero Hill and my family and neighbors as well as my daughter's school Live Oak use the park on a regular basis. The park is in great need of funding.

- o It is located in a high-growth area

- o Renovation would address seismic and other safety issues
- o Jackson is a multi-use community facility and renovation would enhance that character
- o Jackson's facilities are deficient and in poor condition
- o Jackson will be shovel ready when bond funds become available
- o Significant funding has been raised for the renovation by Friends of Jackson Park, totaling \$17 million from private sources and impact fees paid by developers.
- o Jackson serves a diverse community, hosting afterschool programs for our two local elementary schools.

Thank you for your support.

Wendy vanden Heuvel

June 22, 2020

The San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Via email

RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing on behalf of Grow Potrero Responsibly asking for your support of Jackson Park as a named project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond with an allocation of a minimum of \$10 million.

Our organization has long advocated for investment in the “complete neighborhoods” promised to us in the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan. Comprised of large swaths of formerly industrial land recently converted to housing, and historically home to underserved communities, Potrero Hill has never had the amenities such as open space and recreational facilities enjoyed in other residential neighborhoods. We are shouldering the burden of thousands of new housing units, yet we’ve never received adequate funding for our neighborhood park.

After years of neglect, Jackson Park is in increasingly poor condition, heavily used by growing numbers of neighbors and athletes from throughout the City. Because the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan failed to provide adequate funding for infrastructure, the Friends of Jackson Park, led a campaign to leverage private funds with the expectation that the Park would be on a 2020 parks bond.

Arguably the neighborhood should not be forced to secure private funding for its public park. Nonetheless, the Friends of Jackson Park, following the recommendation of SFRPD, raised \$9 million in pledges from local businesses and real estate developers. With an additional \$8 million in IPIC funding and a project that will be shovel-ready, it is this bond money that would bring the project to fruition.

Now, during the pandemic, our community has grown to rely on our neighborhood park for health and healing. To delay funding will mean it could be years before renovations could begin.

Frankly, Jackson Park’s omission as a named project is egregious given the neighborhood’s best efforts to secure amenities that others take for granted. Our neighborhood’s need for better open spaces has been overlooked for too long now. The need is urgent. The goal of a renovated park that serves our community is tenable only if it’s included on the Bond.

Thanks for your support,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alison Heath". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the text "Thanks for your support,".

Alison Heath
Grow Potrero Responsibly

From: [DeAnn Work](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Park Renovation Support
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:53:17 PM

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The Park is particularly important to those of us in Potrero Hill and nearby areas in SoMa and Dogpatch, as the local population has grown in recent years (including many children) and we don't have much open space compared to the western and northern parts of the City. Allowing our neighborhood to be able to enjoy some green space, while still supporting the various leagues and games that need to use the fields that are in such scarce supply, is hugely important, particularly while we are all spending so much more time close to home.

Thank you for your support.

DeAnn, Paul & Thomas Work
714 Kansas Street

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DeAnn Work

deannfwork@gmail.com

Cell: 415.706.1343

From: [Stan Chapman](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Park
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:03:09 PM

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Dear Supervisors,,

I am writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

I have been a homeowner and resident on Potrero Hill for nearly 30 years. Our children, now in their 20's, attended a neighborhood school (Live Oak School, just across the street from Jackson) from kindergarten through 8th grade. Our family and children grew up playing at Jackson Playground and Live Oak students used the fields there for recess during their school day. Jackson is definitely the primary recreational area in our neighborhood. At different points in time when dogs were welcome on the fields, we also used that space to walk and exercise our family pets.

Potrero Hill, Showplace Square, and Dogpatch are undergoing massive growth, with thousands of new residents moving here in the next several years. Our community has yet to receive the funding for our parks, recreation facilities, and other amenities that the City promised to support that growth under the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan.

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Please help us ensure that Jackson Playground receives the support it needs by making it a named project with at least \$10 million in dedicated funding.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Stanley E. Chapman

2419 18th Street

San Francisco, CA 94110

Homeowner and resident at this address since 1991

From: [Susan Chapman](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Jackson Playground
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:13:39 AM

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Chapman
2419 18th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
Homeowner and resident at this address since 1991

June 22, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Western Addition Branch of the San Francisco Public Library, where we serve and partner with the Japantown community, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Susanne Sakai
Japanese Language Librarian
San Francisco Public Library – Western Addition Branch

From: [Audrey Cole](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 9:15:20 AM

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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
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Dear Supervisors:

The Jackson Playground is one of the finest parks in San Francisco.

I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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Thank you for your support.

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Audrey D. Cole

Retired from 33+ years in the tech world and ready for my next adventure!

From: [Matt Choi](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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Our family of four recently moved to Potrero Hill, and we are so thankful for Jackson Park!

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From: [John deCastro](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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As a 41 year resident of Potrero Hill my children grew up using Jackson Park. As a neighborhood leader I am actively promoting recreation with the Slow Streets program. Which is a temporary band aid for more recreation space in rapidly growing Potrero Hill.

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John B. deCastro

From: [Sarah King](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 11:01:11 PM

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1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors:

Families are vital to the health of San Francisco, a city I've called home for over 25 years. Over the past number of years, I have worked to ensure that Potrero families from a diversity of income levels stay and raise their children in the city, primarily through my work as a member of [PREFund](#). Despite my efforts, it has been getting harder to convince families to stay. One thing that would help the cause is better access to parks, recreation and open space, **and so I am writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.**

Potrero Hill, Showplace Square and Dogpatch are undergoing massive growth, with 1000s of new residents moving here in the next several years, and our community has yet to receive the funding for our parks, recreation facilities, and other amenities that the City promised to support that growth under the Eastern Neighborhoods Plan.

Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to Jackson seeking health and healing. Our 120 social distance circles are well used. Before Covid-19, however, San Franciscans from all zip codes came to Potrero Hill to play at Jackson Park. My family regularly bumped into my children's friends from all over the city at the playground because their parents' had games at Jackson. As two of only nine with lights in the City, our ball fields absorb heavy usage. Nighttime adult leagues as well as middle and high school teams from the San Francisco Unified School District practice and play at Jackson Park.

In other words — Once ballgames are allowed again, there will be no open space at Jackson for the neighborhood to gather.

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My children are fortunate to attend the Rec Park after school program at Jackson. The staff do an amazing job, but the facilities need improvement --Jackson Playground hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playing fields have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground and restrooms don't comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements.

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Thank you for your support.

Sarah King

From: [Stephen M. Voris](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

My wife Betty and myself have lived on Potrero Hill since 1987. We have seen the neighborhood grow explosively, particularly in the last five years or so. Park space is very limited here! We must preserve and protect what little we have.

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Stephen Voris

From: [peter.linenthal](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

I've lived on Potrero Hill since 1975 and direct the Potrero Hill Archives Project, collecting local history and making it available. As more and more and more developments go up in our neighborhood, there is increasing demands put on Jackson Park's land & resources. I'm writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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Thank you for your support.

Peter Linenthal 298 Missouri St, SF, CA, 94107

From: [Tiffany Hill](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Tiffany Hill
Potrero Hill Resident

From: [Margo Bors](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

I have lived on Potrero Hill for over 50 years and I am writing to ask that you allocate at least \$10 million to the Jackson Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

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From: [Maulik Shah](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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I have lived in Potrero Hill for the past 10 years, and have witnessed the tremendous growth in new housing and development. We desperately need more and better open space! Jackson Park is key to that endeavor.

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Maulik

From: [Melanie Kaba](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

MY FAMILY LIVES 3 BLOCKS FROM JACKSON PLAYGROUND AND WE HAVE A TODDLER. BEFORE COVID WE WERE AT THE PLAYGROUND/COMMUNITY GARDEN AT LEAST 3 TIMES/WEEK - AND NOW WITH THE SIP WE STILL GO TO THE PARK AND PLAY IN THE CIRCLES AND FIELD THE SAME AMOUNT OF TIME. IT IS SO CRITICAL TO US AND ONCE REASON WE CHOSE TO LIVE AT THIS LOCATION IN THE CITY. **PLEASE CHOOSE TO PROTECT, ENHANCE, AND ADVOCATE FOR OUR OPEN SPACE. PLEASE, PLEASE CHOOSE JACKSON PARK AS A PRIORITY NAMED PROJECT!!**

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-MELANIE KABA, RYAN WARTENA, DAUGHTER AVALON WARTENA

From: [Andrea Laudate](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [paul kos](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Nathan Mee](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

I'm a proud resident of Potrero Hill, and a frequent user of Jackson Park. I love the neighborhood, but we are woefully lacking in open space, and that problem is going to get worse, fast, with so much new (and much needed!) housing being built here.

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Sincerely,

Nathan Mee

From: [Kevin Brunner](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Kevin Brunner
Brunner Construction

From: [Michele Hangee-Bauer](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:27:22 PM

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From: libby.libbydodd.com
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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District 10 resident

From: [John Kanberg](#)
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To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Jean Bogiages](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Deanna McDougall](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

I live on Connecticut street, on Potrero Hill and love Jackson Park. I've played baseball with my nephews, walked dogs around the outside, and mostly play tennis there in the day and night! When a court is busy, I bring a basketball and practice making dunks until the tennis court frees up.

I've celebrated numerous baseball birthdays with my nephews and family at Jackson park, and we usually leave with splinters from the seats, and things dirty or muddy, since there isn't accommodation, not clean seating, drinking fountains, bathrooms, tables or places to organize gear.

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Thank you for your consideration!

Respectfully,
Deanna McDougall

(Family photos attached)





Peace Plaza Address to San Francisco Board of Supervisor

My name is George Omi. I am here today to urge you to support to its full amount, the 25 million dollar allocation for the Japan Town Peace Plaza , currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

I was born in 1930, to Japanese immigrant parents, and was raised in San Francisco during the Great Depression. I grew up in the Japanese Town of old, until the War began, when all of us of Japanese ancestry, were forcibly evicted from California.

Four years later, many of us returned to San Francisco from internment camps. It took several years for stores like Nichi Bei Bussan, Honnami Taiheido, Uoki Sakai, Seiki Brothers, Soko Hardware, Takahashi Trading and Aki Hotel to return to business again.

But then came the Redevelopment Agency with Eminent domain, and the demolition of streets, hotels, restaurants and stores, followed by the rise of the Miyako Hotel, the mall, the Peace Plaza and the Pagoda.

But soon, the newness of the Plaza wore off with an un-repairable leakage of water, from the Plaza to the subterranean garage below. The plaza was gradually stripped of its adornments: reflecting pools, arcade and eternal flame, and instead of a place for meditation and worship, it became a place for community gathering.

Today, the plaza is the only open space in Japan Town and has become a center piece of activity, the heart and soul of Japanese Town, where people of San Francisco and the Bay Area, and visitors from all over the world, come to celebrate and enjoy its festivals, arts and crafts, literature and foods of Japan.

Of particular import is that Japan Town's Cherry Blossom Festival and Parade is one of the most popular of all festivals in the City and draws more than 200,000 people annually. Unfortunately, the plaza is in dire need for repair.

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Last year, through public meetings and hearings in JapanTown, the Park & Recreation Department, together with the Department of Public Works, developed a site plan for renovation, which satisfied the community. Not only will it improve the look of the plaza to attract even more visitors to Japan Town, but the re-design will better accommodate programs and events on the plaza.

The renovation plan came with an estimate of construction for \$25 million, which includes the prevention of further leaks of water into the underground garage.

And so I hope you will support this measure for funding. It has been a long time in coming and will help make Japan Town forever special for all San Franciscans and attract visitors to the City, as well. Thank you.

From: [Garth Spiller](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please ADD McKinley Square Park to the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:04:00 AM

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Advocacy for the McKinley Square Park renovation project (SFRPD Approved 2012)
www.mckinleysquarepark.org (see full approved park plans under:
http://www.mckinleysquarepark.org/Master_Plan_and_Funding.html

I'm writing to ask for your support to allocate at least \$10 million to the *approved* SFRPD McKinley Square Park and Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery bond.

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McKinley Square hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playground and areas have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground does not comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements.

McKinley Square park meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department.

The many Friends of McKinley Square Park Foundation (FoMSP) have been working in good faith with the community and City agencies since 2009.

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We ask that you remember us, invest in us (one of only three PH parks) and not forget about McKinley Square Park. We are here and McKinley deserves your love and kindness.

Thank you for your support.

Garth Spiller

415.305.4489

636 Vermont Street

From: [Angela Neff](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Angela Neff](#)
Subject: Please ADD McKinley Square Park to the Health & Recovery Bond
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Don't agonize. Organize.

— Nancy Pelosi

If you're not living on the edge, you're taking up way too much space.

—Tiffany Shlain's father

Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.

—Scott Adams, American Cartoonist, b.1957

Come to find out my end quote that I thought originated with H.M Tomlinson, was an

adaptation of one written many centuries ago...

"We don't see the world as it is, we see the world as we are." -The Talmud

From: [Dianne Bates](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Keep Jackson Park as Open Space!
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 11:37:26 AM

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Dear Supervisors and Supervisor Walton, District 10 -

I would like to advocate for Jackson Park for the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond **but only to keep it as open space** and centralize softball fields at a sports complex elsewhere.

One of the silver linings of Covid has been the opening up of Jackson Park..

Prior to Covid, Jackson Park sat idle, wasted space protected for softball leagues not from the neighborhood who play just a few days/nights a week part of the year. If you dared go in, you were often scolded by Park & Rec Maintenance or even ticketed if you had a well-behaved dog. It was never welcoming.

I support updating the clubhouse for kids after school programs and the playground among other improvements. However, the current Jackson Park plan includes the same softball fields that used to capitalize the area, and pushes people and their well-behaved dogs to small corners of the park. Yet access to the open space is what is driving the now thousands of visits a week to the circles!

I understand sports are important but it seems they could be condensed in a sports focused complex where the fields can be utilized constantly, rather than taking over (and drastically underutilizing) one of the only green spaces in Potrero Hill.

I urge you to please keep Jackson Park as open space for the neighborhood!

Thank you!

Dianne Bates
429 Vermont St
415-250-2177

From: [Brian Castagne](#)
To: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please Support Jackson Playground Renovation Project
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 6:17:30 PM

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Thank you for supporting this San Francisco treasure in need of rejuvenation.

Sincerely, Brian Castagne, 69 Buena Vista Terrace, San Francisco, 94117

From: [Jack Alber](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support Jackson Park on the Next Bond!
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 3:21:16 PM
Attachments: [Jackson Park Advocacy Letter.docx](#)

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

As a San Francisco citizen, taxpayer and homeowner I am grateful for all the city's Park and Rec Department has done for so many wonderful clean parks throughout the city. I hope that that attention and support will now be directed at Jackson Park, a beautiful park in Potrero Hill that has not been renovated since the 90s and direly needs some help. Please include it on the next bond, I have attached an advocacy letter laying out the details.

Thanks,
Jack Alber

June 22nd, 2020

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Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

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ready when we receive the necessary funds from the next Parks bond to bridge the funding gap.

Jackson Park has been an incredibly impactful place in my life, the site of endless memories made with friends laughing and running and playing sports, and all my childhood memories of the place have rose-tinted glasses. Now that I am older and know the world better, I see the dilapidated fencing and mediocre facilities at the park as a sad lack of investment from the city.

Jackson Park is a jewel waiting to be polished, a beautiful green expanse with sunny weather and full of happy people. The park should bring people as much joy as they bring to it, and the park is long long LONG overdue for some bond support. Please show some love to a place that has given all of us in Potrero Hill much to be happy about but much to be desired as well.

Thank you for your support.

From: [Ariel Braunstein](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 7:15:59 PM

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The Board of Supervisors
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

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Ariel Braunstein
Potrero Hill Resident

From: [Robert Passaro](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Re: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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best regards,
Robert Passaro

From: [Priscilla Scala](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#)
Cc: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary; Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support for Jackson park
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:27:44 PM

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Mayor + Board of Supervisors,

I am a homeowner with a family of 3 in District 10.

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I also request that we have "Family time" on the fields during the day on weekends, so that people can enjoy the large field without threat of being hit by a baseball. In these months of SIP kids and families have been able to enjoy the park for picnics and play time and it would be really sad to take it away from them.

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Thank you for your support,

Priscilla Scala
440 Utah St
SF, CA 94110

From: [Darius Contractor](#)
To: [Breed, Mayor London \(MYR\)](#); [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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440 Utah St
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From: [Cathryn Blum](#)
Subject: Support for Jackson Playground - D10 - 2020 Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 8:43:28 PM

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Hello ~

As a Potrero Hill resident for almost 25 years, I want to express my support for improvements, and ensuring the necessary funding is designated for Jackson Playground. The park is an essential resource for our burgeoning neighborhood. Residents of our area would reap the healthful benefits that a safe, clean, beautifully created recreational area would provide to citizens of all ages and backgrounds.

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Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Cathryn Blum

catbirds@gmail.com

415-505-5380

“So many hymns and so few noodles.”

- Jewish Proverb

From: [Keipper, Matthew](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Supporting Jackson Park on the 2020 Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:01:03 PM

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Related California's recently constructed 1601 Mariposa Street project in Potrero Hill has generously supported the Friends of Jackson Park with a sizeable private donation in order to help realize this vision of high quality open space so that Jackson Park may best serve the growing residential community of the Eastern Neighborhoods and San Franciscans alike.

Thank you for your support,

Matt Keipper

—

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Vice President

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From: [Sheila Harris](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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Sincerely,
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Franciscans.

Thank you for your support.

Trish Keady
104A San Jose Ave.
94110

From: [Rodney Minott](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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Best,
Rodney Minott
Potrero Hill

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-Aaron Bell
Nearby Resident @ Mariposa St

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-Aaron Bell
Nearby Resident @ Mariposa St

From: [Kate Clem](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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It has never been more clear that Jackson Park is a critical outdoor space that supports the health and wellbeing of our neighborhood - COVID has only accentuated its necessity and the ways in which the space is currently insufficient to meet the diverse needs of so many at once. I stand by these words from our supporting organization:

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Thank you for your support.

Katy Clem
Potrero Homeowner
212 Texas St, 94107

From: [Jessica Minton](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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As a child, I walked to Jackson Park from my home every day with my babysitter. Going there each day allowed me to run around and exercise outside as well as develop friendships I continue to have today. As a teen, I used the basketball courts and ball fields to practice my chosen sports, again fostering physical activity as well as social interaction. I benefitted the last time the playground was renovated and I remember the excitement that I felt the first day I stepped on to the new playground. I know this money will give other kids and families the same access and benefits I had when I was growing up.

Thank you for your support.

Jessica Minton
Potrero Hill Resident

From: [barbara wilson](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Sincerely,

Barbara & Christopher Wilson

From: [Shannon Beck](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Harshal Dalvi](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Michael Magnuson](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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As you know, the southeast portion of the city already suffers from inadequate open space relative to other parts of San Francisco. As such, we need Jackson Park to be oriented toward uses that most benefit the underserved residents of this part of the city. We can no longer afford to have this precious resource be dominated by two giant baseball fields. Each of these fields uses nearly 2 acres each in order to serve a max of 20-25 people at a time -- that's 4 extremely scarce acres that are being programmed in such a way that they can serve a maximum of just 10 people per acre!!! And that is to say nothing of the fact that only a minority of the small group of people using these fields even live in the surrounding neighborhood that depends on this park.

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--Mike

From: [Bernice Gao](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Lael Robertson](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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My kids are all grown up now but were born and raised on The Hill. Jackson Park was an almost daily outing for our family. This community needs its park to grow with the neighborhoods needs as so many more folks move to this special place.

Best,
Lael Robertson
Hill resident since 1971

Thank you for your support.

From: [Robert Passaro](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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best regards,
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From: [Elainea de Vera](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Elainea de Vera & Jeffrey Tanhueco

From: [Heidi Zak](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [+Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org](#); [+Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org](#); [+Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org](#); [++Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org](#); [+Dean.Preston@sfgov.org](#); [++Matt.Haney@sfgov.org](#); [+Norman.Yee@sfgov.org](#); [+Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org](#); [+Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org](#); [+Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org](#); [+Ahsha.Safai@sfgov.org](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Heidi Zak, CEO ThirdLove & Potrero Hill resident

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From: [ARASH ANOSHIRAVANI](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Friends of Jackson Park has been working in good faith with the community and City agencies since 2013. During that time over \$17MM in pledged funds from both private and public sources has been secured. Our project will be shovel ready when we receive the necessary funds from the next Parks bond to bridge the funding gap.

Over the last 15 years, my two kids have grown up on Potrero Hill, and Jackson was the only grass field accessible to them in child-walking-distance on which they could run, kick a ball, do a cartwheel, or have a picnic. Today, there are more kids, families, and dogs(!) vying for space with aforementioned baseball players in a neighborhood with very limited park space. We need your help to update this park and make it accessible to all who need outdoor space.

Thank you for your support.

Arash Anoshiravani, MD
Rhode Island St,
San Francisco

From: [Sapna Mahwal](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Please ADD McKinley Square Park to the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:50:17 PM

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Advocacy for the McKinley Square Park renovation project (SFRPD Approved 2012)
www.mckinleysquarepark.org (see full approved park plans under:
http://www.mckinleysquarepark.org/Master_Plan_and_Funding.html) I'm writing to ask for your support to allocate at least \$10 million to the *approved* SFRPD McKinley Square Park and Playground renovation project and name it as a priority project on the 2020 Health and Recovery bond. Before Covid-19, San Franciscans from all zip codes came to Potrero Hill to play at McKinley Square. Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to McKinley Square seeking health and healing. McKinley Square hasn't been updated since the 90s, and the playground and areas have suffered significant wear and tear with such intense weekly use. In addition, the playground does not comply with the American with Disabilities Act requirements. McKinley Square park meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. The many Friends of McKinley Square Park Foundation (FoMSP) have been working in good faith with the community and City agencies since 2009. Unfortunately, during that time and our location (away from any new, large construction projects) we have not received any pledged funds from both private and public sources. Our project plans recieved overwhelming approval from SFRPD (2009- 2012) after years of community meetings and complete completion of the required parks planning process (SF Parks Trust) with hundreds of neighbors participating. We ask that you remember us, invest in us (one of only three PH parks) and not forget about McKinley Square Park. We are here and McKinley deserves your love and kindness. Thank you for your support.

Sapna Mahwal
Potrero Hill D10 San Francisco

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 2020 Health and Recovery Bond - Peace Plaza Renovation Project
Date: Thursday, May 28, 2020 3:01:04 PM
Attachments: [Peace Plaza Support Letter Japantown Task Force.pdf](#)

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**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2020 2:59 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors <[bos-supervisors@sfgov.org](mailto:bos-supervisors@sfgov.org)>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <[angela.calvillo@sfgov.org](mailto:angela.calvillo@sfgov.org)>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <[alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:alisa.somera@sfgov.org)>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; Japantown Task Force <[info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)>  
**Subject:** 2020 Health and Recovery Bond - Peace Plaza Renovation Project

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please see Japantown Task Force, Inc's Letter of Support for the Peace Plaza Renovation Project.  
Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lauren

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**Lauren Nosaka**  
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**Administrative Manager**

**Japantown Task Force, Inc.**

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May 28, 2020

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

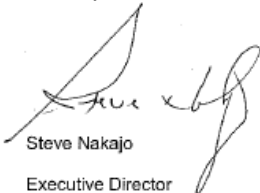
On behalf of Japantown Task Force, Inc., we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

  
Steve Nakajo  
Executive Director

  
Sandy Mori  
President, Board of Directors

**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Thursday, May 28, 2020 3:14:15 PM  
**Attachments:** [JMA BOS Letter re Peace Plaza.pdf](#)

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Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 3:09 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.McHugh@sfgov.org; Japantown Task Force <info@japantowntaskforce.org>
Subject: Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project

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Dear Honorable Supervisors,

Please find attached our letter asking for your utmost support of the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project within the 2020 Health and Recovery Act Bond.

Thank you,

Richard Hashimoto

President

Japantown Merchants Association



May 28, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Japantown Merchants Association, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project that is currently included in the proposed 2020 Health and Recovery Act Bond Measure.

In 1998, the city reneged on the last renovation promising to renovate the plaza with plans the Friends of the Peace Plaza Committee (Friends) funded. The city received funds raised by Friends and also accepted a \$550,000 gift from the parking corporation that operates the garage below explicitly for the waterproofing. For unknown reasons, the city broke their promise and forced the current problem plagued design that has haunted us ever since it was installed.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown that should properly reflect the culture and integrity of the community. The current design is far from that.

Supervisors, this is a unique opportunity to make a right from a wrong and we are asking for your support to approve the \$25M allocation for the Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery Act Bond.

Respectfully,

Richard Hashimoto
President

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From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Support for Japantown Peace Plaza Project
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 12:58:24 PM
Attachments: [Peace Plaza Support.pdf](#)

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**From:** Cathy Inamasu <nlfchildcare@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2020 12:20 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** Support for Japantown Peace Plaza Project

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

Attached is our support letter for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project. We urge you to place this critical project on the 2020 Health Recovery Bond for the November vote.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Cathy Inamasu  
Executive Director  
Nihonmachi Little Friends





May 29, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Nihonmachi Little Friends, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Cathy Inamasu  
Executive Director

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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Regarding Peace Plaza renovation project  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 12:58:35 PM  
**Attachments:** [Moro PeacePlaza BOS.pdf](#)

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From: Takeshi Moro <takeshimoro@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 12:36 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: Regarding Peace Plaza renovation project

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Please find attached a letter regarding the Peace Plaza renovation project.

Best,
Takeshi Moro

May 29th, 2020

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a San Francisco resident and parents of two young Japanese American girls, we have utilized the Plaza daily as they attend Nihonmachi Little Friends, a pre-school dedicated to Japanese American education in Japantown SF. The Plaza is essential to the wellbeing of our children and the state of disrepair is a hazard to the health and safety of our children and community.

I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,



Takeshi Moro
SF resident of Japanese descent
Member of the board of directors at Nihonmachi Little Friends

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From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Letter of Support for Japantown's Peace Plaza Allocation
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 2:42:31 PM
Attachments: [Peace Plaza Support Letter.doc](#)

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**From:** Michiko Yamada <michikoyamada5@gmail.com>  
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**To:** BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for Japantown's Peace Plaza Allocation

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Please see attached my letter of support for Japantown's Peace Plaza Allocation. A hard copy will be mailed separately.

Thanks,  
Michiko

May 29, 2020

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City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
Via E-Mail and USPS

RE: Support for the Japantown Peace Plaza Allocation

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to ask your support for the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza. I am a native San Franciscan and a long-time resident of Japantown and have witnessed and experienced first-hand the changes in my neighborhood and community.

The Peace Plaza is the only open space of Japantown and serves as a hub for the neighborhood and for cultural activities. It is used as a place for daily social interaction, exercise, and utilized as a performance space during festivals like the Cherry Blossom Festival, Anime Festival, Nihonmachi Street Fair and Aki Matsuri to name a few.

There are only four remaining Japantowns in the United States: Los Angeles, San Jose, Sawtelle and our own San Francisco. Prior to WWII, Japantown encompassed a radius of 36 blocks. Our community was further decimated by the actions of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. Today, Japantown is comprised of 6 blocks.

The Peace Plaza is an integral part of San Francisco's Japantown. It is a place of history, cultural connections, hope, and symbolizes the resiliency of our community. Please support the Peace Plaza Allocation so that all San Franciscans and future generations may experience a thriving Japantown.

Sincerely,

Michiko Yamada  
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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 2:42:37 PM  
**Attachments:** [200527 Peace Plaza BOS Sample Letter Nichibei Kai.pdf](#)

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Subject: Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project

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Hello,

I'm a vice president of Hokka Nichibei Kai in Japantown. We are non-profit organization to support Japanese culture, language and relationship between Japan and US.

We'd like to ask The City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors member and member of the Board to ask for their vote & support for our \$25m Peace Plaza Project.
Please find an attached letter and hope this project will be true.

Thank you for your support our community and your consideration.

Best Regards,

Hiroshi Sengoku

Vice President

HOKKA NICHIBEI KAI

Japanese American Association of Northern California



THE JAPANESE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
of Northern California

5/28/20

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Sincerely,

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From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Japantown Peace Plaza
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 2:47:38 PM
Attachments: [200528 Peace Plaza San Francisco BOS Letter.pdf](#)

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**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2020 5:29 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza

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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Japantown Peace Plaza Support Request  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 2:48:08 PM

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Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 4:18 PM
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Subject: Japantown Peace Plaza Support Request

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Sincerely,

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From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Letter: J-town Peace Plaza Renovation Project
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 12:17:05 PM
Attachments: [Ltr to SF BOS for Plaza Funding.docx](#)

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**From:** Patty Wada <pwada@jacl.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 12:09 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** Letter: J-town Peace Plaza Renovation Project

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Attached, please find a letter from the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) in support of full funding for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project.

Sincerely,  
Patty Wada  
JACL

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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Peace Plaza Endorsement Letter  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 2, 2020 3:04:22 PM  
**Attachments:** [Peace Plaza Letter of Endorsement final.pdf](#)

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From: Aokizu - First Voice <aokizu@firstvoice.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 2:02 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org; Grace Horikiri <grace@jtowncbd.org>
Subject: Peace Plaza Endorsement Letter

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Sincerely,
Mark Izu & Brenda Wong Aoki
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Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Mark Izu and Brenda Wong Aoki in black ink. Mark Izu's signature is on the left, and Brenda Wong Aoki's signature is on the right.

Mark Izu and Brenda Wong Aoki

First Voice

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From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Support of the Japantown Peace Plaza Project
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 10:30:59 AM
Attachments: [LOS - Peace Plaza BOS_NCCBF.docx.pdf](#)

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**From:** Greg Vilorio <gviloria@nccbf.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 2, 2020 10:24 AM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** Support of the Japantown Peace Plaza Project

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Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors,

Good morning. Please find attached our letter of support to include the Japantown Peace Plaza Project in the upcoming bond. As an organization in one of the three remaining Japantowns in the United States, this project, which is long overdue, is important to the future of Japantown and the Northern California Cherry Blossom Festival. Please support the project.

Best regards,

Greg Vilorio  
Co-chair, Northern California Cherry Blossom Festival



**Greg C. Vilorio**  
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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Japantown Peace Plaza - support  
**Date:** Monday, June 1, 2020 1:39:01 PM  
**Attachments:** [Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project - letter of support.pdf](#)

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From: sishii@Kimochi-Inc.org <sishii@Kimochi-Inc.org>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 1:30 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; Japantown Task Force <info@japantowntaskforce.org>
Subject: Japantown Peace Plaza - support

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please find Kimochi, Inc.'s letter of support to the Japantown Peace Plaza renovation. I hope that you will support our much needed renovation for the Japantown Peace Plaza to be fully funded.

Thank you in advance for your support.

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June 1, 2020

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To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 2020 Health and Recovery Bond - Peace Plaza Renovation Project
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June 2, 2020

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Sincerely,

Jaclyn Funasaki

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**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 02, 2020 8:21:36 PM

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Honorable Ladies and Gentlemen of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am urging you to cast your support of \$25 million dollar allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza which is part of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

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We need and urge your total **full support** of the entire **\$25 million** allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza.

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We urgently need the Peace Plaza Renovation to preserve and sustain one of the last of three Japantown's left in the United States.

With Urgent Request for Your Support,

Benh Nakajo  
Resident of Japantown  
San Francisco

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Benh Nakajo](#)  
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**Subject:** Re: Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 02, 2020 8:27:55 PM

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San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

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Sent from my iPad

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June 2nd, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Kyoko Nomura

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**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza Project  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a Japanese American born and raised in Japantown, I am writing to urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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Sincerely,  
Keiji Imura  
San Francisco Resident

**From:** [Robert Sakai](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
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6-03-20.

San Francisco Board of Supervisors City Hall, Room 244  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Nihonmachi Parking Corporation, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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Sincerely,

Nihonmachi Parking Corporation

Robert Kiichi Sakai

NPC Board of Directors President

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6-04-20.

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

My name is Robert K. Sakai. I have grown up in the S.F. Japantown. My family first opened a grocery store in the current S.F. Japantown after the 1906 earthquake. We ran this grocery store through 2011. I renovated the building and now own and rent the spaces out as a mixed use property. I currently sit on the board of a number of Japantown community organizations.

I have been involved in the S.F. Japantown all my life and from this perspective I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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Sincerely,

Robert Kiichi Sakai

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June 3, 2020

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[San Francisco, CA 94102](#)

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Sincerely,

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**From:** [Kay Nomura](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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We need you to support and keep the full \$25 million for the Peace Plaza Renovation on the final version of the bond.

San Francisco Japantown is one of the last three remaining Japantowns in the United States. Without the needed \$25 million for the renovation, one of San Francisco's treasures will slowly crumble and eventually disappear.

Don't let this happen!

**From:** [Hokka Nichibeikai](#)  
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**Subject:** Japan town Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Yayoi Baker  
Hokka Nichi Bei Kai

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**From:** [Dianne Fukami](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 03, 2020 11:55:56 PM

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June 3, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a third-generation San Franciscan, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,  
Dianne Fukami

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**From:** [FUENTES, DAISY](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 03, 2020 6:41:36 PM

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6-3-20 San Francisco Board of Supervisors City Hall, Room 244 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102 To the Members of the Board of Supervisors: On behalf of Abraham Lincoln High School's Japanese Culture Club, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocations for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses, and visitors. As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property. While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space that addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community. We urge you to support the full \$25 million currently allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond. Sincerely, Daisy Fuentes student

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**From:** [Richard Tokeshi](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 03, 2020 6:00:25 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

Please include the Peace Plaza Renovation project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. Historically, the Peace Plaza is the most visible symbol of San Francisco's Japantown, one of the last Japantowns left in America.

Thank you for your consideration,

Richard Tokeshi, SF resident

**From:** [liane scott](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza \$25 million renovation  
**Date:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 1:17:06 PM  
**Attachments:** [2020 Peace Plaza 06-2020.pdf](#)

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Please view attached letter in favor of the Japantown Peace Plaza renovation project.  
Thank you.

Liane & Eric Scott

June 3, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

We urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza. The community has waited for over twenty years for the necessary repairs and renovation of this very important space.

The San Francisco Japantown is one of the few remaining Japantowns. It is necessary to repair and renovate this space in order for the community to survive and to attract visitors who in turn revitalize and support the neighborhood. The Peace Plaza itself represents a symbol for everyone to remember.

We have been members of the Oakland Fukuoka Sister City Association for over twenty-five years. This is a non-profit organization with a mission statement of fostering and promoting cultural awareness, understanding and friendship between the people and cities of Oakland and Fukuoka, Japan. My parents and grandparents were interned during World War II, so for me, personally, the Peace Plaza and its surroundings have been important symbol for me growing up and for my family. This is even more critical in light of the current situation happening all over the world.

Please support the \$25 million for the Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery Bond. Thank you.

Sinceely,



Liane Higashiuchi Scott



Eric Scott  
5900 Bagshotte Dr.  
Oakland CA 94611

**From:** [katharine snyder](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Retain the Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 6:14:29 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please retain the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project in the 2020 Health & Recovery Bond.

The historic Plaza is a vital part of Japantown which is one of the oldest in the country.  
The plaza has needed rejuvenating for sometime.

It would be a fitting tribute to the Japanese - Americans who had lived there and were removed and incarcerated during WWII in one of the most dreadful acts perpetrated by the U.S Government upon its own citizens.

Please allow the renovation to go forward.

Thank you,  
Katharine Snyder

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Randy Shigio](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 6:06:54 PM

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I urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Randall Shigio  
130 Sutro Heights Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94121

**From:** [Olivia Myrick](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Please support renovation of Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 4:24:48 PM

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Olivia Kamei-Myrick





**From:** [Mark Moriguchi](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [Japantown Task Force](#)  
**Subject:** Support for \$25 mil allocation for Peace Plaza Project  
**Date:** Friday, June 05, 2020 9:28:42 AM

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June 5, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors

City Hall, Room 244

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Japantown Task Force, Inc., we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Mark Moriguchi

Treasurer and Board member

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**From:** [Brad Natsume](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** SF Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation  
**Date:** Friday, June 05, 2020 12:26:23 PM

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6-5-2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
[1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place](#)  
[San Francisco, CA 94102](#)

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a Japanese-American and San Francisco-native, whos family was raised by Japanese immigrants who emigrated to the US over 100 years ago, I kindly ask that you consider approving the \$25 million currently allocated for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation in the Health and Recovery bond.

Japantown and the Peace Plaza has been a centralized symbol of the Japanese-American culture in the US, which over the years has slowly diminished. It has served as a community center, cultural destination, and tourist stopover for many years and has become a part of San Francisco's multicultural identity; one that needs preservation.

Thank you for your support in continuing this legacy for many more years.

Sincerely,  
Brad Natsume

**From:** [jane yung](#)  
**To:** [bos-supervisors@sfgov.org](mailto:bos-supervisors@sfgov.org)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen Mchugh](#); [Japantown Task Force](#)  
**Subject:** Health & Recovery Bond Support - Nihonmachi  
**Date:** Friday, June 05, 2020 12:10:40 PM  
**Attachments:** [NihonmachiSupport-1.pdf](#)

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June 5, 2020

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

Though not the richest.  
Not the poorest.  
Not the biggest.  
Nor the loudest.

Yet:

Ever resilient.  
Ever consistent.  
Ever persistent.  
And full of unswerving reverence for building community.

Honor the integrity, vision and vitality of San Francisco's Nihonmachi.  
It's past, present and future.

I ask for your inclusion of the full \$25 million for Peace Plaza renovations on the November Health & Recovery Bond measure.

Thank you for your dedicated public service to the entire city.

Sincerely,

Jane Muramoto Yung  
534 17th Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94121  
miteyungs@yahoo.com

Cc: Angela Calvillo  
Alisa Somera  
Eileen McHugh  
Japantown Task Force

**From:** [Richard Isen](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org); [St. Francis Square Office](#)  
**Subject:** Letter from St Francis Square Cooperative  
**Date:** Friday, June 05, 2020 1:39:38 PM  
**Attachments:** [japatownlet.pdf](#)

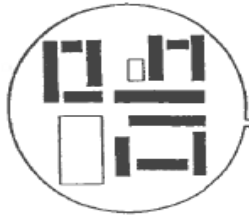
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Attached is a letter from the president of the St Francis Sq Cooperative located in the Western Addition.

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Richard Isen | [richardisen@gmail.com](mailto:richardisen@gmail.com) | [@richardisen](#)  
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# ST. FRANCIS SQUARE COOPERATIVE, INC.

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*A housing community dedicated to the idea that all races,  
religions and beliefs can live together in harmony.*

June 5, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the St Francis Square Cooperative, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors. As you may know, our 50 year old, 4 block community of apartment owners is located directly across Geary from the Plaza and our members greatly enjoy and appreciate the Plaza. It is a vital and unique gathering community center in need of renovation.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Richard Isen  
President

cc: [Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org](mailto:Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org)  
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**From:** [njones@kokoroassistedliving.org](mailto:njones@kokoroassistedliving.org)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
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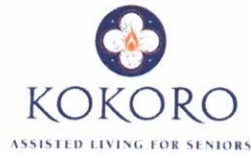
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*Naoko Jones*

Executive Director  
Kokoro Assisted Living  
1881 Bush St.  
San Francisco, CA 94109  
415-776-8066 ext. 12  
415-674-5941 fax





June 5, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Kokoro Assisted Living, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Naoko Jones", is written over a horizontal line.

Naoko Jones  
Executive Director

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**From:** [Daniel Byron](#)  
**To:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Japan Center - Letter to the Board of Supervisors  
**Date:** Friday, June 05, 2020 3:49:20 PM  
**Attachments:** [JapanCenter.Letter.SanFranciscoBoardOfSupervisors.PeacePlazaBond.03Jun20.pdf](#)

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Dear Madams/Sirs:

Attached please find a letter that has been sent to the Board of Supervisors by Joseph Daneshgar, one of the principals of Japan Center West Associates, LP which owns Japan Center. Mr. Daneshgar and the other principals of Japan Center West Associates, LP urges the Members of the Board of Supervisors to support the \$25M allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

**Thank you,**

**Daniel F. Byron II**

Director of Asset Management

3D Investments, LLC

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## Japan Center West Associates, LP

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June 3, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Japan Center West Associates, LP, the owner of Japan Center Mall, located immediately adjacent to the Peace Plaza, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,



Joseph Daneshgar  
Director

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Dear President Yee and Members of the SF Board of Supervisors; As advocates for Japanese Americans for most of our lives and for San Francisco's Japantown since the 60's, we urge you to include the Peace Plaza Renovation Project at the full \$25 million in the Health and Recovery Act Bond scheduled for the November 2020 ballot. With Japantown's history of over 110 years in San Francisco, and being part of this City's diversity for 5 generations, the Peace Plaza represents an open space which is vital to the long term sustainability of our community. Please remain steadfast on the full \$25 million for the Peace Plaza. Warm regards, Jeff and Sandy Mori

Sent from my iPhone

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Dear members of the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco,

Please find attached the letter of support of San Francisco/Osaka Sister City Association for Peace Plaza Project.

Best regards,  
Misako Sack

**Misako Maki Sack** | サック・牧・ミサ子

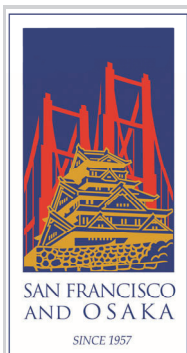
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## San Francisco – Osaka Sister City Association

June 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of San Francisco/Osaka Sister City Association, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million currently allocated for the Peace Plaza in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Kimura, MBE  
Co-Chair

Allen Okamoto  
Co-Chair

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please find attached our letter asking for your support for the Peace Plaza Project in the full amount of \$25M.

Thank you,  
Richard Hashimoto  
Board Member





June 2, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Golden Gate Institute, Inc, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses that had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Richard Hashimoto  
Board Member

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Attached please find my letter in support of the long awaited and much needed renovations to the Japantown Peace Plaza.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Paul Gamba

June 1, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a native-born San Franciscan, who did his higher education in San Francisco, and resides in San Francisco, I am writing to urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

The Japanese American and the Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for this space to be properly repaired. An open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of Japantown residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors needs to be created.

The Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown. It is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles which San Francisco's Japanese American community has endured. This project is extremely meaningful for the Japantown community as the Peace Plaza area itself was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses.

After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the United States Government and Military during World War II, the Japanese American community was then once again forced out of their neighborhood a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency – this time under the guise of redevelopment and progress.

The eviction of the Japanese American Community twice resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of property and personal wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property. This was merely pennies on the dollar of actual value.

While the Japanese American Community does not dwell on the fact that The City of San Francisco forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the Peace Plaza space.

I understand that San Francisco has many priorities, but The Japanese American Community has been more than patient. The time has come for the City of San Francisco to address the matter of the Peace Plaza. The Peace Plaza is a community gathering space, which is critical to the economy of the Japantown neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of Japantown. The Peace Plaza serves as a reminder of the forced incarceration of innocent Japanese Americans who lost all of their Civil Rights and Liberties during WWI, of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by the United States and of the wrongs done by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency on Japantown.

San Francisco's Japantown is one of only three remaining Japantowns in the United States. It is vital to maintain Japantown as it is and not let it dissolve into oblivion and memories of what was once San Francisco. We must preserve the history of San Francisco.

San Francisco needs to do the right thing now. We must attempt to redress the wrongs done to the Japanese American Community here in San Francisco during WWII and by The San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. By supporting the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond you will be doing the right thing and demonstrating that San Francisco recognizes past atrocities suffered by the Japanese American Community. This is merely a small portion of what is owed to the Japanese American Community.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me at any time, should you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul J. Gamba".

Paul J. Gamba

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**From:** [Katherine Okamoto](#)  
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June 1, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a life-long San Francisco resident and fourth generation Japanese-American, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese-American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese-American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese-American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space that addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

My family and I, along with our friends and neighbors, urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond. A copy of this letter with my signature is attached. Thank you for your support in this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Katherine Okamoto  
San Francisco Resident and Small Business Owner

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June 1, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a life-long San Francisco resident and fourth generation Japanese-American, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese-American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese-American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese-American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space that addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

My family and I, along with our friends and neighbors, urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,



Katherine Okamoto  
San Francisco Resident and Small Business Owner

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Pika Pika, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Ryan Kimura



Owner

Pika Pika

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Thanks for visiting PikaPika! Enjoy your pictures, and we hope to see you again soon!

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a board member of Kimochi, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly renovated. Creating an inviting area that reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors is a top priority for the economic vitality of the neighborhood.

Peace Plaza, the only open space in Japantown, is also deeply symbolic of the struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for us because the Peace Plaza area was once a bustling with Japanese American residents and businesses.

After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, Japanese Americans were forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. Families and businesses in the community lost a staggering amount of wealth because of this eviction, but they had to accept the price offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired the area where Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many priorities, but our community is adamant. We have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter.

The residential base of Japantown may never return, but having a suitable, attractive open space to gather is critical to the long-term sustainability of this neighborhood.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Peter Namkung

**From:** [George Omi](#)  
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Dear Supervisor,

I respectfully submit to you my letter (attached) for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

George Omi

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June 1, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am among a vanishing generation of Japanese Americans, a Nisei, who was born on December 15, 1930 in San Francisco. My parents, sister, relatives, friends, and our entire community of Japanese Americans in San Francisco and all of the state of California were evacuated, relocated and incarcerated during the War.

And years later, after the War, when our working community and friends in San Francisco's Japantown had risen from near extinction to recovery, they were evacuated and relocated once again, when they received notices of eviction, eminent domain, followed by the demolition of their stores and homes with an ensuing construction of a Japan Center mall, where their homes and businesses once lay. ■

And so I urge you to support the full amount of the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza, currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

This plaza, the center piece of Japantown, is in dire need of renovation. It was once as beautiful and sacred as its Pagoda, designed by Toshiro Taniguchi, a brilliant Japanese master architect. The Plaza was also a reminder of where many of our friends and their families once lived. But then this memorial was stripped of its adornments due to a water leakage problem, which began soon after the plaza was constructed more than fifty years ago.

This wasted plaza was then transformed by the Japanese traditions of the past, from a place of worship, contemplation and meditation into a community gathering place. The only open space in Japantown, has become a center piece of activity, filled with thousands of people throughout the year, to celebrate the Cherry Blossom Festival, Children's Day, Japan Day, SF Anime Festival & Cosplay, Origami Palooza, Nihonmachi Street Fair, Sumo Exhibition, Osaka Festival, and Aki Matsuri.

Through public meetings with the residents, business owners and organizations in Japantown, supported by the San Francisco Japantown Task Force, the Park & Recreation Department, together with the Department of Public Works, developed a plan for renovation, which will not only improve the look of the plaza, but will better accommodate its annual events, and attract even more visitors to Japantown to celebrate its heritage. This plan also came with a \$25 million cost estimate, which covers the renovation to the plaza, as well as prevent further leaks of water into the garage below

And so I hope you understand our need for your help in addressing a problem which has festered in our community for decades. We ask for no more than to fix what is broken. Thank you.

Sincerely,

George Omi  
Landscape Architect, retired  
Member of SF Japanese American Community

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**From:** [Mercedes Stuefen](#)  
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Good morning,

The attached letter was sent this morning to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

Thank you,

Mercedes Stuefen

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**From:** Mercedes Stuefen  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 10:19 AM  
**To:** bos-supervisors@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** Beau Simon <BSimon@cwclaw.com>  
**Subject:** Japantown Task Force Letter

Dear Board,

On behalf of Mr. Simon, this email shall serve as a transmission for the attached letter from the Japantown Task Force.

Sincerely,

Mercedes Stuefen

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Beau Simon  
201 California Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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June 1, 2020

Via Email: ([bos-supervisors@sfgov.org](mailto:bos-supervisors@sfgov.org))

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, California 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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Sincerely,



Beau Simon

Member, Board of Directors, Japantown Task Force

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Sincerely,

Nobuko Saito Cleary  
President  
Cross Cultural Communications

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of neighbors living in the Western Addition neighborhood, we are a family who utilizes the Peace Plaza and we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. My children also go to school located in Japantown and use the Peace Plaza for field trips and community events. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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Sincerely,

Thaomy Beltran, PT, DPT

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May 29, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am a Japanese American, born and raised in San Francisco. I grew up in Japantown and have great memories in the Peace Plaza with my grandparents who are now watching me from above. We used to walk over here and they'd let me run around and chase birds. As I grew up I often hung out in the Peace Plaza with my friends while attending JCYC's summer program, which my children now attend and use the space accordingly. We've attended many festivals and cultural events here in the Peace Plaza. It is very important to our community and I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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Sincerely,  
Kristine Hashimoto



**From:** [Wayne Hiroshima](#)  
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May 29, 2020

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Christ United Presbyterian Church in San Francisco's Japantown area would like to urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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On behalf of Christ United Presbyterian Church's congregation we urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Reverend Doctor Grace Kaori Suzuki  
Pastor, Christ United Presbyterian Church

Wayne T. Hiroshima  
Clerk of Session

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Sincerely,



Hiroshi Shimizu  
President  
Tule Lake Committee

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Hiroshi Shimizu". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Hiroshi" and last name "Shimizu" clearly distinguishable.

Hiroshi Shimizu  
President  
Tule Lake Committee

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Greetings Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I hope this finds you well.

As a young adult who has grown up in and found success because of the community of SF Japantown, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. My community has waited nearly 20 years (almost as long as I have been alive) for this initiative, which will bring life and much needed improvements to the place I call home away from home.

With the myriad of struggles my community has faced over the course of Japantown's history, I know how vital this space is for us to continue to provide the traditions and culture that help make this city the best place to be. **I am a proud Japanese-American who has been shaped by the environment that is SF Japantown.** I am an Eagle Scout from Troop 29 located at the Buddhist Church of SF on Octavia St. I am a former member of Gen Taiko hosted by the JCCNC. I am a young adult who lives and attends college in Seattle, WA, a city that cannot be proud of a Japantown (there is a small block within the International District), and have seen what it's like to not have a strong cultural footprint in a similar metropolitan area. Japanese in the Seattle area do not have this iconic space to gather and unite, and **I would be heartbroken to see the same happen in the place where I grew up.**

San Francisco has many things that need attention, but I know that the residential base of our community may never return to this area, along with the cultural richness that makes San Francisco the phenomenal city that it is. Having this space that shows the heart and soul of Japantown, but more importantly, San Francisco's Japanese heritage, is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community, and will also give future generations like myself the opportunities to celebrate their culture. **Please consider those who will come after myself and those also writing you letters, as they will be the ones most impacted.**

I hope to count on your support for the full \$25 million currently allocated for our Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond, and that you will bring positivity to the members of my community.

Sincerely,  
Max Tokuo Chan  
San Francisco Born and Raised

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Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

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THE JAPANESE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION  
of Northern California

May 30, 2020

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City Hall, Room 244  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Mikiko Shimabe  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President  
Hokka Nichibei Kai

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Member of Hokka Nichibei Kai

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May 30, 2020

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Sincerely,



Mari A. Kawaguchi  
Kimochi, Inc.  
Board of Director

Pine United Methodist Church  
Board of Trustee

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**Date:** Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:50:03 PM  
**Attachments:** [Epson\\_05312020140334.pdf](#)

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I support the full \$25 million current allocated for peace plaza in the Health and Recovery.

(date)

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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Sincerely,

(name) *Mitsuko Omachi*  
(title)

cc: Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org  
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**From:** [Mitsuko Omachi](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Japan town peace plaza  
**Date:** Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:11:13 PM  
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**From:** [Mitsuko Omachi](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Re: Japan town peace plaza  
**Date:** Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:11:59 PM

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On Sun, May 31, 2020 at 3:10 PM Mitsuko Omachi <[matchaomachi@gmail.com](mailto:matchaomachi@gmail.com)> wrote:  
I support the full \$25 million current allocated for peace plaza in the Health and Recovery.

**From:** [Todd Eshima](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** support for Peace Plaza Renovation  
**Date:** Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:08:58 PM  
**Attachments:** [200530 Peace Plaza Lttr.pdf](#)

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Dear All,

Please find attached our letter in support of the Peace Plaza renovation project.

Thank you,  
The Eshima Family

May 30, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As long time Japanese American residents of San Francisco, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

The Peace Plaza is one of the precious reminders of the cultural enclaves that make San Francisco special. We welcome all, but we celebrate culture. This is an important theme of inclusivity that city leadership is starting to forget about as we undergo gentrification and manhattanization. This city is becoming a playground for the rich and starting to forget about the hardworking families that work and play here who create cohesiveness and consistency for the city.

The Peace Plaza is the where the heartbeat of Japantown resides. This is the home of numerous festivals, parades and performances that gives this city its color and flavor. The Peace Plaza is the focal point for a community fighting for its survival. What will it take for people to recognize how important it is to save and assist the cultural communities that make San Francisco great before these communities are gone and we are just left with acres of condos for people who are uninterested in laying roots and creating a sense of loyalty and ownership in community?

The Plaza is not only a celebration of community, but it is also a poignant reminder of past mistakes. The mistakes of racism and prejudice that uprooted and tore apart a peaceful community. The same community that sent their sons to fight and die for this country. The Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community.

Let's preserve, protect and support what makes San Francisco special before it's gone forever. This project is an important priority and we urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

*Todd Eshima*

*Shellin Young*

*Kelly Eshima*

*Keith Eshima*

*Grant Eshima*

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**From:** [Jack & Jun Dairiki](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Anela.Calvillo@sfgov.org](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.McHugh@sfgov.org](#); [Japantown Task Force](#)  
**Subject:** \$25 Million - Health/Recovery Bond Measure - Peace Plaza Renovation  
**Date:** Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:12:52 PM

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June 1, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Members, Board of Supervisors, San Francisco:

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We are in our mid-80's to early 90's and want to see this project approved so that we will have the opportunity to enjoy it during our lifetime as well as for the benefit of future Japanese American generations and others. We strongly ask for your support to vote for approval of this project so that it can be placed on the November ballot. In doing so and on assumption it passes, you have helped San Francisco's Japantown by keeping it alive for many years to come for all to enjoy.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million currently allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Jack and Jun Dairiki

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**From:** [Jack & Jun Dairiki](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [Info@Japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:Info@Japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Fwd: \$25 Million - Health/Recovery Bond Measure - Peace Plaza Renovation  
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Am resending as both Ms. Calvillo & McHugh's were returned as "Undeliverable." Am hoping this will go thru.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Jack & Jun Dairiki <[judawaca@att.net](mailto:judawaca@att.net)>  
**Subject:** \$25 Million - Health/Recovery Bond Measure - Peace Plaza Renovation  
**Date:** May 31, 2020 at 5:12:53 PM PDT  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors@sfgov.org](mailto:BOS-Supervisors@sfgov.org)  
**Cc:** [Anela.Calvillo@sfgov.org](mailto:Anela.Calvillo@sfgov.org), [Alisa.Somera@sfgov.org](mailto:Alisa.Somera@sfgov.org), [Eileen.McHugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.McHugh@sfgov.org), Japantown Task Force  
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Sincerely,

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**From:** [Clint Taura](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [Japantown Task Force](#)  
**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:35:50 PM

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On behalf of my dental practice in Japantown, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,  
Clint K. Taura, DDS  
Dentist, Japantown

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**From:** [Jane Saelai](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:53:06 PM

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May 31, 2020  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

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I urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,  
Jane Saelai

**From:** [grace@nihonmachisf.org](mailto:grace@nihonmachisf.org)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [Japantown Task Force](#)  
**Subject:** 2020 Health and Recovery Bond - Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Thursday, May 28, 2020 7:59:25 AM  
**Attachments:** [NSF Japantown Peace Plaza Ltr.pdf](#)

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors,

The Nihonmachi Street Fair is showing our support in the letter attached for the Peace Plaza renovation project and to request your support that it will be included in the final version of the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond.

We as well as many other Japantown community organizations utilizes the Peace Plaza to hold events that not only locals attend, but is an important destination point for millions of visitors. In order to continue holding celebrations to promote our cultural pride and history it needs to be updated so that the Peace Plaza continues to be an important hub of activities for generations to come.

I ask you for your support.

Respectfully,

Grace Horikiri  
Executive Director

**Nihonmachi Street Fair, Inc.**  
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May 28, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

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I along with the NSF Board of Directors and Planning Committee urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Nihonmachi Street Fair, Inc.:  
Grace Horikiri  
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**From:** [JanMasaoka](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 8:24:45 PM

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Why this project deserves the money:

There are so many deserving projects. As San Francisco's tourist economy recovers, it's important to have a wide variety of tourist draws. Japantown draws a very different group of tourists -- many of them from California as well as overseas. It also plays an important role in keeping Japanese visitors -- both tourists and people here on business -- in San Francisco.

Its proximity to St Mary's Cathedral also makes it a commercial district that supports and draws from the church and from the dozens of conferences that are held at St Mary's.

Thank you.

Jan Masaoka  
580 Alvarado Street, San Francisco 94114  
[jan@janmasaoka.net](mailto:jan@janmasaoka.net)  
415 926 0034

**From:** [Rodney Chin](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
**Subject:** Japantown Plaza - 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Measure  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 9:07:16 AM

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May 27, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.



Sincerely,  
***Rodney Chin***

Rodney Chin  
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May 27, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
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Sincerely,

Christine W. Hiroshima

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Aloha,

I grew up on Laguna street between Post and Sutter and spent the majority of my childhood playing in Peace Plaza with my friends after school, performing taiko and Japanese dance at the various Japantown cultural festivals, and participating in community fundraisers and important events such as the Day of Remembrance.

I have fond recollections of the most recent renovation and recall visiting the poster with all the changes that were to be made with excitement and anticipation. Since then, it has been a good space for performances and community gatherings, however there are many things that can be altered and fixed to ensure the enjoyment and safety of the elderly and youth that enjoy that space.

Please see the attached letter and we urge you to pass this project. In a time of difficulty and uncertainty, it would be a beacon of hope for our community.

Thank you!

Jeddie Kawahatsu

5/27/2020

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On behalf of Japantown residents, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Jeddie Kawahatsu

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**From:** [Kathleen Kimura](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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**Subject:** SF PEACE PLAZA RENOVATION PROJECT  
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Dear Honorable Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to strongly support the renovation of a vital San Francisco community landmark, the San Francisco Peace Plaza Renovation Project in San Francisco's historic Japantown. I have been and continue to be involved in the wider San Francisco international community for now over four decades, including the Japanese and Japanese-American community. I currently serve as co-chair of the SF-Osaka Sister City Association and on the board of the Japan Society of Northern California (president 1995-97). I am also privileged to be serving on this year's Asian Pacific Heritage Celebration Committee. I have seen and been involved in many events that have taken place in the San Francisco Peace Plaza.

San Francisco's Japantown, one of the three remaining in the US, is a destination for many locals and international visitors alike. It is a icon of San Francisco, with its pagoda (a gift from the people of Osaka, Japan) its focal point. The plaza has been subject to flooding and is in disrepair. The community has waited nearly 20 years for this Peace Plaza to be repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of its residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors. The repair and renovation is urgently needed.

I humbly request that this San Francisco Peace Plaza Renovation Project be approved by you all as a project to be placed on the November ballot for a \$25 million bond.

Thank you for your attention, and kind cooperation.

Best wishes  
Kathleen Kimura  
Kathleen Kimura, MBE  
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Dear members of San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I urge you to support the inclusion of the full \$25 million for the Peace Plaza Renovation Project in the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond. Please read the attached letter for critical details.

Sincerely,  
Lucy Fisher

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May 27, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a member of the Board of Directors of the Japantown Task Force, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. Our community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the history, plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This restoration is particularly meaningful because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, our community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. This eviction again resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property. These economic damages added to social, religious, educational and artistic losses to individuals and families.

Since the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, it has a responsibility to care for that space. While San Francisco has many urgent priorities, our community has been waiting 20 years for a safe, beautiful and culturally relevant space. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Lucy Fisher, RN, PhD  
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June 2, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

When I relocated to San Francisco ten years ago, I knew two people, and had no family in the area. Yet, it was the Japantown community who welcomed and embraced me. Through the mentorship of community leaders, who entrusted me with leadership roles, I was able to grow and prosper, and truly understand the power of grassroots organizing. As one of the last remaining Japantown in the nation, I think it is of great importance to preserve and save the Peace Plaza, a truly iconic gathering place for our community.

Therefore, I'd like to urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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While our community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

**We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.**

Sincerely,

Jaclyn Funasaki

Economic Affairs, Consulate General of Japan  
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June 2, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Members, SF Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific District of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project, which is currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

The Peace Plaza is the only open space area in Japantown, and is deeply symbolic of the history and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This is deeply meaningful to us because the land that the Plaza currently occupies was once populated by Japanese American homes, families and businesses. After being forcibly removed from the City and incarcerated by governmental order during World War II, our ancestors would return post-war and re-build the community at great effort and investment. However, they were to be forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. This second eviction resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses, which had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

It was by force and without mutual consent that the City acquired ownership of the land where the Peace Plaza currently stands. Thus, we firmly believe that the City has a responsibility to both care for and safeguard the space. We understand that the City has a myriad of priorities, but our community has been patient for 20 years and it is time for the City to step up. A delay allows for continued deterioration of the Plaza.

The residential base of our community may never return to this area. That is why it is incumbent that the Plaza be preserved and supported, for it serves as a means to draw people to Japantown for events and gatherings that enhance the economic stability and sustainability of the neighborhood. If one should stop by the Plaza, one would see people of all generations and backgrounds enjoying the area on a daily basis.

Our organization, the JACL, is a civil rights and educational organization with 7000 members nationwide. Our National Headquarters has been located in SF Japantown for the past 45 years.

We urge you to support and maintain the full \$25 million currently in the Health and Recovery Fund that is allocated for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Patty Wada*

Patty Wada  
Regional Director  
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Date: 6/2/2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of First Voice, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Mark Izu and Brenda Wong Aoki in black ink. Mark Izu's signature is on the left, and Brenda Wong Aoki's signature is on the right.

Mark Izu and Brenda Wong Aoki

First Voice

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**Subject:** FW: \$25 million - Health Recovery Bond Measure - Peace Plaza Renovation  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 2:42:42 PM

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May 28, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Members, Board of Supervisors, San Francisco,

I am a resident of San Francisco, having lived in Japan Town for the last four years. Originally, I grew up in the central part of California but came to know San Francisco Nihonmachi (Japan Town) as a mecca for Japanese culture as it evolved in the United States. The Plaza is THE focal point in Japan Town and has served as a desirable venue for meeting friends/ family from the City, the Bay Area or other regions of California. The Japan Town Plaza is also a stopping point for visitors from around the world (including Japan) and other regions of the U.S.

As you know, San Francisco has one of only three remaining Japan Towns in the entire U.S. In its current state the Plaza needs much upgrading, repairs, and improvements, something that is long overdue. We are hopeful that our City realizes that the Plaza needs to come up to the 21st century. The \$25 million Bond Measure allocated to this project will help it to come to that fruition. Your vote to approve this project will help to keep San Francisco's Japan Town alive for many years to come.

I strongly urge you to support this \$25 million allocation for the Japan Town Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create a space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses, and visitors.

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sustainability of this community.

I urge you to support the full \$25 million currently allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery Bond.

Sincerely
Alice K. Nakahata

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW:
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 12:58:30 PM

Alisa Somera

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May, 29, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a Board Member of the Japanese Cultural Center, a Capital Campaign Committee Member of Nihonmachi Little Friends as well as a resident of the neighborhood, I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Susan Mariko Kobayashi  
Community Supporter and Resident

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Susan Mariko Kobayashi / 小林 スーザン 万利子

**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 5:04:16 PM

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**From:** Potrero del Sol <potrerodelsol@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 15, 2020 12:47 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors, (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Subject:** 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support on behalf of the Potrero del Sol Community Garden (SF's oldest community garden) for the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond**. This 2020 Bond will be considered for recommendation by the Board of Supervisors for inclusion on the November Ballot.

Our City's economic and financial situation has changed due to COVID-19. The **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** will prioritize shovel-ready projects delivering essential government services, support economic recovery through job creation for San Franciscans, provide one-time funding for behavioral health and health access, while prioritizing basic infrastructure investments in our parks and recreation facilities and right-of-way infrastructure so people can get back to work quickly and help San Francisco recover.

During COVID-19, San Francisco residents sought solace and refuge in our City Parks for exercise and better mental health, especially in denser neighborhoods and in Equity Zones. A recent survey by the National Recreation and Park Association found that 83% of American adults agree that visiting their local parks, trails and open spaces are essential for their mental and physical well-being during the COVID-19 pandemic. The benefits of parks are long lasting, and it clear that planning for better days ahead will ensure that our open spaces are resilient.

Potrero del Sol supports the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond City**. In particular, the 2020 Bond has identified several park, open space, and recreation facilities and improvement projects that address a range of benefits for residents and employees to increase quality of life, mental well-being and physical health.

The previous 2008 and 2012 bonds allowed San Francisco Recreation and Park Department to complete over 27 large capital projects and over 130 citywide park projects. This level of commitment and dedication immensely improved our parks system, but much more needs to be done. Please support the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond City** by approving the Bond proposal for the November 2020 Ballot.

Thank you for supporting of our parks and City!

Mary Beth Pudup

Volunteer coordinator at Potrero del Sol

**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: As for the San Francisco Japan Town Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 2:47:43 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 5:21 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: As for the San Francisco Japan Town Peace Plaza Renovation Project

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City Hall, Room 244
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Northern California, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Taiki Ozawa
President



**Japanese
chamber of commerce
of northern california**
北加日本商工会議所

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.
Date: Thursday, May 28, 2020 4:46:22 PM

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**From:** Koichi Fukuda <sashimi1942@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2020 3:28 PM  
**To:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org  
**Cc:** bquan@japantowntaskforce.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org; Koichi Fukuda <sashimi1942@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I'm 77 years old & I grew up on Bush & Laguna Street in San Francisco's Japantown. I had a long journey, in 1942 my family was forced into a Concentration Camp (where I was born), in 1947 my family & I returned to San Francisco's Japantown after being released from a Texas Internment Camp. As part of the 1960s Western Addition Redevelopment Project the Japanese Americans, Afro American & others were removed from Japantown. I went to College in LA & worked in Manhattan but returned to the City in 1970. I had a house in the Castro District but sold it & I returned to J-town because it's my homebase. I find comfort, security & culturally relevant. For the Japantown community The Peace Plaza is a very important cultural community symbol that needs to be funded. Please Help!

I & others in the J-town community urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

Thanks you for your support,

Koichi Fukuda

Buchanan Street Apt. 302

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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 2:42:47 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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From: Cecilia Ching <CChing@ymcasf.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 8:00 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>; Fewer, Sandra (BOS) <sandra.fewer@sfgov.org>
Cc: Rodney Chin <RChin@ymcasf.org>; Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project

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Thursday, May 28th, 2020

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San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Richmond District YMCA, we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

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On a personal level, I am a San Francisco native who attended high school at Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory, just a couple of blocks away from Japantown. Some of my fondest memories from those years include hanging out at the Peace Plaza with my friends afterschool, eating some sushi from the nearby Nijiya Market, and taking in the vibrant culture of Japantown. The Peace Plaza has a special place in my heart. This renovation project would allow community members, students, families, and visitors to continue enjoying one of our city's most important cultural landmarks for many years to come.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Cecilia Ching
Director of Administration & Financial Development
Richmond District YMCA

cc: Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org
Alisa.somera@sfgov.org
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Best regards,
Cecilia



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"I like to score goals, but I also like to have friends among the people I have played with." - Leo Messi

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA RENOVATION PROJECT
Date: Thursday, May 28, 2020 11:04:01 AM
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**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2020 10:31 AM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA RENOVATION PROJECT

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We urge you to support the full \$25 million currently allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 2:03:24 PM

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From: Prouty, Alex (SFOJD) <alex.prouty@jdvhoteles.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 1:36 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
Subject: Japantown Peace Plaza

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Sincerely,

Alex Prouty

Alex Prouty

General Manager

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From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Peace Plaza Renovation
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 12:58:40 PM

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**From:** Samantha Kuang <samantha.kuang@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2020 12:35 PM  
**To:** BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>; Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org  
**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation

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Sincerely,

**Samantha Kuang**

Co-president of ALHS Japanese Culture club

**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
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**Subject:** FW: Peace Plaza- We Need Your Full Support  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 11:48:13 AM  
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This community has suffered, as you all are aware, through decades of many troubling times, and now again it seems that the Peace Plaza Renovation Proposal may not be able to move forward as was expected.

Those of us that live in Cathedral Hill, the immediate neighborhood, are excited and anxious to move forward on the entire project, with your full support, that will be possible.

I urge you to support this project as presented, with the full investment that the community has sought of \$25M.

Thank you.

Jeanne Milligan
1220 Ellis Street

From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: Support \$25 Million Allocation - Japantown Peace Plaza - Health & Recovery Bond Measure
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**Subject:** Support \$25 Million Allocation - Japantown Peace Plaza - Health & Recovery Bond Measure

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May 28,2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I respectfully urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the needs of our residents, community organizations, businesses, and patrons.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is significant because the Peace Plaza area was an area once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the United States Government and its military during World War II, the Japanese American community was forcibly displaced a second time by the City's San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The seizure of land and the displacement of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sales price was offered for their property.

While our community does not dwell on the city's forcible acquisition of the property where the Peace Plaza sits, we do feel that San Francisco has a responsibility to sustain maintenance and care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. Having an open space which represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability for a vibrant community.

I urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for the Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Richard Eijima  
Former Member of the Board of Directors - Nihonmachi Little Friends; Buddhist Church of San Francisco Youth Athletic Organization; and Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach

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**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support on behalf of **Help McLaren Park** for the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond**. This 2020 Bond will be considered for recommendation by the Board of Supervisors for inclusion on the November Ballot.

Our City's economic and financial situation has changed due to COVID-19. The **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** will prioritize shovel-ready projects delivering essential government services, support economic recovery through job creation for San Franciscans, provide one-time funding for behavioral health and health access, while prioritizing basic infrastructure investments in our parks and recreation facilities and right-of-way infrastructure so people can get back to work quickly and help San Francisco recover.

During COVID-19, San Francisco residents sought solace and refuge in our City Parks for exercise and better mental health, especially in denser neighborhoods and in Equity Zones. A recent survey by the National Recreation and Park Association found that 83% of American adults agree that visiting their local parks, trails and open spaces are essential for their mental and physical well-being during the COVID-19 pandemic. The benefits of parks are long lasting, and it clear that planning for better days ahead will ensure that our open spaces are resilient.

Help McLaren Park is supportive of the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond City**. In particular, the 2020 Bond has identified several parks, open space, and recreation facilities and improvement projects that address a range of benefits for residents and employees to increase quality of life, mental well-being and physical health.

The previous 2008 and 2012 bonds allowed San Francisco Recreation and Park Department to complete over 27 large capital projects and over 130 citywide park projects. This level of commitment and dedication immensely improved our parks system, but much more needs to be done. Many of McLaren Parks projects are only midway finished. (Roadwork, replacing crumbled paths, lighting the Jerry Garcia Amphitheater, Phase II of the Bike Park, Louis Sutter Clubhouse improvements, a restroom at McLaren Playground, etc.) This money is imperative in order to not lose what has begun. Please support the **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond City** by approving the Bond proposal for the November 2020 Ballot.

Thank you for supporting of our parks and City!

Sincerely,

Chuck & Trilce Farrugia

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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
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Subject: Support the Japantown Peace Plaza Project

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open space that appropriately reflects the priorities of our residents, community organizations, businesses and visitors.

As you are aware, the Peace Plaza is the only open space in Japantown and is deeply symbolic of the plight and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This project is particularly meaningful for the Japantown community because the Peace Plaza area was once occupied by Japanese American residents and businesses, which my family has been crossing the Bay Bridge to patronize for decades. After being forcibly removed and incarcerated by the military during World War II, the Japanese American community and Jodo-Shinshu Buddhist community was forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The eviction of our community resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses who had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space, especially in light of the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but our community is adamant that we have been more than patient and it is time for this city to address this matter. The residential base of our community may never return to this area and having the means to bring people back is critical to the economy of this neighborhood. Having an open space which addresses the needs and represents the character of Japantown is vital to the long-term sustainability of this community.

We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Melyssa Minamoto
Oakland, CA

June 2, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Members, SF Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific District of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), I urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project, which is currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

The Peace Plaza is the only open space area in Japantown, and is deeply symbolic of the history and struggles of San Francisco's Japanese American community. This is deeply meaningful to us because the land that the Plaza currently occupies was once populated by Japanese American homes, families and businesses. After being forcibly removed from the City and incarcerated by governmental order during World War II, our ancestors would return post-war and re-build the community at great effort and investment. However, they were to be forced out a second time by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. This second eviction resulted in the loss of a staggering amount of wealth for the families and businesses, which had no choice but to accept whatever sale price was offered for their property.

It was by force and without mutual consent that the City acquired ownership of the land where the Peace Plaza currently stands. Thus, we firmly believe that the City has a responsibility to both care for and safeguard the space. We understand that the City has a myriad of priorities, but our community has been patient for 20 years and it is time for the City to step up. A delay allows for continued deterioration of the Plaza.

The residential base of our community may never return to this area. That is why it is incumbent that the Plaza be preserved and supported, for it serves as a means to draw people to Japantown for events and gatherings that enhance the economic stability and sustainability of the neighborhood. If one should stop by the Plaza, one would see people of all generations and backgrounds enjoying the area on a daily basis.

Our organization, the JACL, is a civil rights and educational organization with 7000 members nationwide. Our National Headquarters has been located in SF Japantown for the past 45 years.

We urge you to support and maintain the full \$25 million currently in the Health and Recovery Fund that is allocated for the Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Patty Wada

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