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1 [General Obligation Bonds – Health and Recovery - Not to Exceed \$487,500,000]

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

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15 WHEREAS, According to the City and County of San Francisco (“City”) Point-in-Time
16 Count conducted in January 2019, about 8,000 people experience homelessness in the City
17 on any given night, and over the course of an entire year, many more people experience
18 homelessness; and

19 WHEREAS, According to Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing
20 (“HSH”) records, in Fiscal Year 2018-2019, HSH served about 18,000 people experiencing
21 homelessness, and of those, 4,000 have a history of both mental health and substance use
22 disorders; and

23 WHEREAS, An estimated 24,500 people inject drugs in the City and recent data
24 indicate that 39 percent of people who inject drugs in the City reported injecting
25 methamphetamine. Methamphetamine is increasingly being consumed in public spaces, and

1 residents are more regularly encountering individuals who present challenging psychosis-
2 related behaviors or experience moments of mental health crisis; and

3 WHEREAS, The City, through HSH, currently offers temporary shelter to approximately
4 3,400 people per night through shelters, Navigation Centers, stabilization beds, and
5 transitional housing -- 566 additional beds have opened since October 2018 and another 499
6 are in development -- but additional shelter beds are needed to match the waitlist for
7 individuals looking to access shelter; and

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

14 WHEREAS, DPH provides behavioral health services in a number of settings and
15 through a number of different mechanisms including at existing facilities such as San
16 Francisco General Hospital, the Behavioral Health Access Center, Residential Care Facilities,
17 community clinics, and through contracts with nonprofit service providers; and

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

23 WHEREAS, Limited state and federal resources and the high cost of construction put a
24 greater burden on local governments to contribute their own limited resources to produce
25 more facilities to serve those struggling with behavioral health and substance use disorders,

1 temporary shelters, and permanent supportive housing, and consequently the City's supply of
2 these resources has not kept pace with demand; and

3 WHEREAS, The proposed Health and Recovery Bond ("Bond") will provide a portion of
4 the critical funding necessary to acquire or improve real property, including permanent
5 supportive housing and shelters, and existing and potential new behavioral health facilities
6 and institutions; and

7 WHEREAS, On March 16, 2020, the Public Health Officers of six Bay Area counties
8 jointly issued a Shelter in Place Public Health Order to protect the health and well-being of
9 Bay Area residents in the face of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency ("Public Health
10 Emergency"); and

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

16 WHEREAS, The City's most recent 10-year capital plan identifies a deferred
17 maintenance backlog of \$799 million for streets and General Fund facilities, and the
18 Recreation and Parks Department's more recent facilities condition assessment shows \$950
19 million in deferred maintenance; and

20 WHEREAS, Infrastructure investment is a known and tested jobs stimulus strategy with
21 a strong multiplier effect, estimated at 5.93 jobs for every million dollars in construction
22 spending according to the REMI Policy Insight model; and

23 WHEREAS, Since 2005, the City has engaged in regular, long-term capital planning to
24 identify and advance shovel-ready projects that deliver improvements in line with adopted
25 funding principles that prioritize legal and regulatory mandates, life safety and resilience,

1 asset preservation and sustainability, programmatic and planned needs, and economic
2 development; and

3 WHEREAS, Parks, recreation facilities, open spaces, streets, curb ramps, street
4 structures, and plazas are all essential infrastructure for which the City is responsible and
5 must maintain a state of good repair for public health, safety, and equitable accessibility; and

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

12 WHEREAS, During the Public Health Emergency, City residents have sought solace
13 and refuge in City parks and open spaces and heavily utilized these spaces for exercise and
14 as an alternative to private back yards, and more so in denser neighborhoods and in Equity
15 Zones; and

16 WHEREAS, During the Public Health Emergency, many of the City's recreation
17 facilities served as childcare centers for emergency and healthcare workers, helping to
18 alleviate child care concerns for these important professionals; and

19 WHEREAS, A recent survey by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA)
20 found that eighty-three percent (83%) of American adults agree that visiting their local parks,
21 trails and open spaces is essential for their mental and physical well-being during the COVID-
22 19 Emergency, and fifty nine percent (59%) said that access to these amenities is very or
23 extremely essential to their mental and physical health during this crisis; and

24 WHEREAS, Urban agriculture provides proven benefits to San Franciscans by
25 connecting City residents to the broader food system, providing green space and recreation,

1 providing ecological benefits and green infrastructure, building community, and offering food
2 access, public health, and workforce development potential, in particular for low-income and
3 vulnerable communities; and

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

10 WHEREAS, The City is responsible for the state of good repair of more than 1,200
11 miles of streets, approximately 50,000 curb ramp locations, 371 street structures, and 9
12 plazas, which are heavily used and have longstanding deferred maintenance needs; and

13 WHEREAS, Streets, curb ramps, street structures, and plazas connect people to jobs,
14 hospitals, shopping centers, and transit -- places that are vital to daily life -- and providing
15 smooth and pot-hole free streets and pedestrian right-of-way is essential to reducing the costs
16 of road-induced damage, preventing accidents for bicyclists and drivers, and creating safe
17 passage for pedestrians; and

18 WHEREAS, City staff have identified and planned several park, open space, and
19 recreation facilities improvement projects to address public safety hazards, improve waterfront
20 access, improve disabled access, enhance the condition of neighborhood and citywide park,
21 recreation, and open space facilities and lands, address deferred maintenance, support
22 population growth, enhance green infrastructure, improve climate resiliency and seismic
23 safety, ensure equitable access to high-quality open spaces, and other issues facing the
24 City's park system that can put people to work quickly and support local economic recovery;
25 and

1 WHEREAS, The Bond will provide a portion of the critical funding necessary to acquire
2 or improve real property, including to improve the safety and quality of neighborhood, citywide
3 and waterfront parks and open spaces and recreation facilities under the jurisdiction of the
4 Recreation and Park Commission; and

5 WHEREAS, City staff have identified street repaving, curb ramp, street structures, and
6 plaza improvement programs to address public safety hazards, reduce the backlog of
7 deferred maintenance, improve disabled access, and equitably improve the public right-of-way
8 that can similarly put people to work quickly; and

9 WHEREAS, The Bond will provide a portion of the funding necessary to acquire or
10 improve real property, including to improve access for the disabled and the condition of the
11 City's streets and other public right-of-way and related assets; and

12 WHEREAS, City staff have identified a capital improvement need totaling
13 \$487,500,000 in projects and programs relating to acquiring or improving real property,
14 including to stabilize, improve, and make permanent investments in permanent and
15 transitional supportive housing facilities, shelters, and/or facilities that deliver services to
16 persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or
17 homelessness; improve the safety and quality of neighborhood, citywide, and waterfront parks
18 and open spaces and recreation facilities, and urban agriculture sites under the jurisdiction of
19 the Recreation and Park Commission; and improve access for the disabled and the condition
20 of the City's streets and other public right-of-way and related assets; and sites or properties
21 otherwise specified in the ordinance submitting this proposal to the voters (collectively,
22 "Project"); and

23 WHEREAS, The Bond will allow the City to finance the acquisition or improvement of
24 the Project in the most cost-effective manner possible; and

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1 WHEREAS, The Bond is recommended by the City's 10-year capital plan, approved
2 each odd-numbered year by the Mayor of the City and the Board of Supervisors of the City
3 ("Board"); be it

4 RESOLVED, The Board determines and declares that the public interest and necessity
5 demand the acquisition or improvement of real property, including facilities to house and/or
6 deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder,
7 and/or homelessness; parks, open space, and recreation facilities, including green and
8 climate resilient infrastructure; and streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas, and
9 related costs necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, The estimated cost of \$487,500,000 for the Bond is and will
11 be too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of the City, will require
12 an expenditure greater than the amount allowed by the annual tax levy, and will require the
13 incurrence of bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$487,500,000; and, be it

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

19 A. FACILITIES TO HOUSE AND/OR DELIVER SERVICES FOR PEOPLE
20 EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES, SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER,
21 AND/OR HOMELESSNESS:

22 The proposed funding described in Section 3A of the Ordinance is excluded from
23 CEQA because such funding is not defined as a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section
24 15378(b)(4), but is the creation of a government funding mechanism that does not involve any
25 commitment to any specific projects at any specific locations.

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 the 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
9 for 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 the Ordinance as though fully set forth
14 therein. For purposes of the 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 the 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 the 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; and be it

18 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board finds and declares that the proposed Bonds (a)
19 were referred to the Planning Department in accordance with Section 4.105 of the San
20 Francisco Charter and Section 2A.53(f) of the Administrative Code, (b) are in conformity with
21 the priority policies of Section 101.1(b) of the San Francisco Planning Code, and (c) are
22 consistent with the City's General Plan, and adopts the findings of the Planning Department,
23 as set forth in the General Plan Referral Report dated May 15, 2020, a copy of which is on file
24 with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 200479 and incorporates such findings by this
25 reference; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, The time limit for approval of this resolution specified in
2 Administrative Code, Section 2.34 is waived; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, Under Administrative Code, Section 2.40, the ordinance
4 submitting this proposal to the voters shall contain a provision authorizing landlords to pass-
5 through 50% of the resulting property tax increases to residential tenants in accordance with
6 Administrative Code, Chapter 37; and, be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, The City hereby declares its official intent to reimburse prior
8 expenditures of the City incurred or expected to be incurred prior to the issuance and sale of
9 any series of the Bonds in connection with the Bond. The Board hereby declares the City's
10 intent to reimburse the City with the proceeds of the Bond for the expenditures with respect to
11 the Project (the "Expenditures" and each, an "Expenditure") made on and after that date that
12 is no more than 60 days prior to the adoption of this Resolution; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, The City reasonably expects on the date hereof that it will
14 reimburse the Expenditures with the proceeds of the Bond; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, Each Expenditure was and will be either (a) of a type properly
16 chargeable to a capital account under general federal income tax principles (determined in
17 each case as of the date of the Expenditure), (b) a cost of issuance with respect to the Bond,
18 (c) a nonrecurring item that is not customarily payable from current revenues, or (d) a grant to
19 a party that is not related to or an agent of the City so long as such grant does not impose any
20 obligation or condition (directly or indirectly) to repay any amount to or for the benefit of the
21 City. The maximum aggregate principal amount of the Bond expected to be issued for the
22 Project is \$487,500,000. The City shall make a reimbursement allocation, which is a written
23 allocation by the City that evidences the City's use of proceeds of the applicable series of the
24 Bond to reimburse an Expenditure, no later than 18 months after the later of the date on which
25 the Expenditure is paid or the related portion of the Project is placed in service or abandoned,

1 but in no event more than three years after the date on which the Expenditure is paid. The
2 City recognizes that exceptions are available for certain "preliminary expenditures," costs of
3 issuance, certain de minimis amounts, expenditures by "small issuers" (based on the year of
4 issuance and not the year of expenditure) and Expenditures for construction projects of at
5 least 5 years; and, be it

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, Documents referenced in this resolution are on file with the
7 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 200479, which is hereby declared to be a part of
8 this resolution as if set forth fully herein.

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10 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
11 DENNIS J. HERRERA
City Attorney

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13 By: /s/ Kenneth DavidRoux
14 KENNETH DAVID ROUX
Deputy City Attorney
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Items 2 & 3 Files 20-0479 and 20-0487 <i>(Continued from June 24, 2020)</i>	Department: Office of Public Finance
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
<p style="text-align: center;">Legislative Objectives</p> <p>File 20-0479 is a resolution determining and declaring that the public interest and necessity demand the acquisition or improvement of real property, including (1) facilities to deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; (2) parks, open space and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and (3) streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas. An ordinance (File 20-0478) is pending before the Board of Supervisors, providing for a proposition to be submitted to the voters in November 2020 to approve \$487,500,000 in General Obligation bonds to fund the acquisition and improvement of real property referenced in File 20-0479.</p> <p>File 20-0487 is a resolution amending the City’s ten-year capital expenditure plan for FY 2020-2029 to amend the General Obligation bond program to include the proposed bonds of \$487,500,000</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Key Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond report describes the projects to be acquired or constructed, using the proposed bond proceeds. • \$207 million would be allocated to (i) permanent supportive housing and shelter projects, and (ii) projects for mental health and substance use disorder services. • \$239 million would be allocated to two categories of open space and park projects: (i) neighborhood parks, and (ii) programmatic scopes. Neighborhood park projects were prioritized based on projects that had already undergone public review, design studies, and environmental review. Programmatic scope are broad categories for which specific projects have yet to be identified. • \$41.5 million would be allocated to address the capital needs in the public right of way and public space. Projects include (i) street resurfacing projects, which makes up the majority of proposed funding, (ii) curb ramps, and (iii) street structures and plazas. <p style="text-align: center;">Fiscal Impact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the Office of Public Finance, issuance of \$487.5 million in General Obligation bonds would result in estimated average annual debt service of \$39.4 million and total debt service over the life of the bonds of \$958.7 million. Estimated average annual property tax increase to a residential property owner, with an assessed valuation of \$600,000 and \$7,000 homeowner’s exemption, would be \$83.02. • According to the Office of Public Finance, the proposed \$487.5 million in General Obligation bonds falls within the Charter debt limit requirement and City policy to limit the impact of debt service on property tax rates. <p style="text-align: center;">Recommendation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of the proposed resolutions is a policy matter for the Board of Supervisors. 	

MANDATE STATEMENT

City Charter Section 9.106 states that the Board of Supervisors is authorized to provide for the issuance of general obligation bonds in accordance with the Constitution of the State of California. General obligation bonds may be issued and sold in accordance with state law or any local procedure adopted by ordinance. There shall be a limit on outstanding general obligation bond indebtedness of three percent of the assessed value of all taxable real and personal property, located within the City and County

DETAILS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

File 20-0479: The proposed resolution determines and declares that the public interest and necessity demand the acquisition or improvement of real property, including (1) facilities to deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; (2) parks, open space and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and (3) streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas.

An ordinance (File 20-0478) is pending before the Board of Supervisors, providing for a proposition to be submitted to the voters in November 2020 to approve \$487,500,000 in General Obligation bonds to fund the acquisition and improvement of real property referenced in File 20-0479.

Under the proposed resolutions, the Board of Supervisors would find that:

1. The proposed bond-funded projects are necessary and in the public interest;
2. The proposed bond-funded projects with estimated costs of \$487.5 million cannot be funded from operating revenues;
3. The proposed General Obligation bonds were referred to the Planning Department, as required by the Charter and Administrative Code, conform to the Planning Code's priority policies, and are consistent with the General Plan; and
4. The approval time limits specified in Administration Code Section 2.34 are waived;¹ and
5. Prior eligible City expenditures are to be reimbursed by the bond proceeds, for which the procedures are defined on page 10 of the proposed resolution.

The proposed resolution also provides that the ordinance submitting the proposed General Obligation bonds to the voters (File 20-0478 pending before the Board) authorizes landlords to pass through 50 percent of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants.

The proposed resolution further makes findings in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), detailed on pages 7 through 9 of the proposed resolution;

In addition, a proposed resolution (File 20-0487) amends the City's ten-year capital expenditure plan for FY 2020-2029 to amend the General Obligation bond program to include the proposed bonds of \$487,500,000.

¹ Administrative Code Section 2.34 requires the Board of Supervisors to approve submitting General Obligation bonds to the voters no less than 141 days before the election.

Proposed Health and Recovery Bond

The 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond report describes the projects to be acquired or constructed, using the proposed bond proceeds. Total proposed General Obligation bond allocations are shown in Table 1 below.

Exhibit 1: Proposed Bond Allocation

Program Area	Amount
Behavioral Health and Homelessness	\$207.0 million
Parks and Open Spaces	\$239.0 million
Right of Way Repair	\$41.5 million
Total	\$487.5 million

Behavioral Health and Homelessness

The proposed bond funds would fund behavioral health and homeless facilities. Proposed behavioral health facilities include:

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

Proposed facilities to serve the homeless population include:

- Construction and acquisition of permanent supportive housing; and
- Acquisition of emergency shelter and transitional housing.

Parks and Open Spaces

The proposed bond funds would be allocated to two categories of projects, neighborhood parks and programs. According to the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Report, neighborhood park projects were prioritized based on projects that had already undergone public review, design studies, and environmental review. Programmatic scope are broad categories for which specific projects have yet to be identified. According to the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Report, the Recreation and Park Commission will review and approve funding allocated to specific projects; environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) will be completed after project identification and development.

Exhibit 2: Proposed Bond Allocation to Parks and Open Spaces

Program Area	Amount
Neighborhood Parks	
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
Subtotal Neighborhood Parks	\$101 million
Programmatic Scope	
Citywide Parks	\$18 million
Recovery Parks ^a	\$86 million
Playgrounds	\$9 million
Community Opportunity Fund	\$6 million
Sustainability	\$14 million
Trails	\$1 million
Community Gardens	\$0.6 million
Contingency	\$1.4 million
Subtotal Programmatic Scope	\$136 million
Administration	\$2 million
Total Neighborhood Parks and Programmatic Scope	\$239 million

Source: Capital Planning Program

^a Recovery Parks priorities are: Crocker Amazon (\$15 million), Jackson (\$10 million), Buena Vista (\$3 million), Richmond Senior Park (\$1 million), South Sunset (\$3 million), and Chinatown (\$54 million)

Right of Way

The proposed bond funds would be allocated to project to address the capital needs in the public right of way and public space. Street resurfacing projects would make up the majority of projects. The specific street resurfacing projects would be prioritized based on the pavement score, usage (such as transit corridors), project readiness, equitable geographic distribution, and public inquiries. The other two project areas are curb ramps, and street structures and plazas.

Table4: Proposed Bond Allocation to Right of Way Repairs

Program Area	Amount
Street resurfacing	\$31.5 million
Curb Ramps	\$5 million
Street Structures and Plazas	\$5 million
Total	\$41.5 million

FISCAL IMPACT*Debt Service and Property Taxes*

According to the Office of Public Finance, issuance of \$487.5 million in General Obligation bonds would result in estimated average annual debt service of \$39.4 million and total debt service over the life of the bonds of \$958.7 million. Estimated average annual property tax increase to a residential property owner, with an assessed valuation of \$600,000 and \$7,000 homeowner's exemption, would be \$83.02.

Debt Limit and Tax Rates

Charter Section 9.106 sets the City's debt limit at 3 percent of assessed valuation. According to the Office of Public Finance, based on the City's FY 2019-20 net assessed valuation of \$281.8 billion, the City's General Obligation bond debt capacity is \$8.4 billion. As of July 2020, the City's outstanding General Obligation bond debt is \$2.15 billion and authorized and unissued General Obligation bond debt is \$2.18 billion. If all authorized debt were to be issued, including the proposed \$487.5 million in General Obligation bonds, total City General Obligation bond debt would be \$4.82 billion, less than the \$8.4 billion debt limit.

The City's policy is to limit the impact of General Obligation bond debt on property tax rates; the policy defined in the Capital Plan sets the property tax rate at no more than the FY 2005-06 rate. According to the Office of Public Finance, approval of the proposed General Obligation bonds is consistent with City policy.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the proposed resolutions is a policy matter for the Board of Supervisors.

Item 15 File 20-0479	Department: Office of Public Finance
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY	
<p style="text-align: center;">Legislative Objectives</p> <p>File 20-0479 is a resolution determining and declaring that the public interest and necessity demand the acquisition or improvement of real property, including (1) facilities to deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; (2) parks, open space and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and (3) streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas. An ordinance (File 20-0478) is pending before the Board of Supervisors, providing for a proposition to be submitted to the voters in November 2020 to approve \$438,500,000 in General Obligation bonds to fund the acquisition and improvement of real property referenced in File 20-0479.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Key Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond report describes the projects to be acquired or constructed, using the proposed bond proceeds. • \$197 million would be allocated to (i) permanent supportive housing and shelter projects, and (ii) projects for mental health and substance use disorder services. • \$200 million would be allocated to two categories of open space and park projects: (i) neighborhood parks, and (ii) programmatic scopes. Neighborhood park projects were prioritized based on projects that had already undergone public review, design studies, and environmental review. Programmatic scope are broad categories for which specific projects have yet to be identified. • \$41.5 million would be allocated to address the capital needs in the public right of way and public space. Projects include (i) street resurfacing projects, which makes up the majority of proposed funding, (ii) curb ramps, and (iii) street structures and plazas. <p style="text-align: center;">Fiscal Impact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the Office of Public Finance, issuance of \$438.5 million in General Obligation bonds would result in estimated average annual debt service of \$29.3 million and total debt service over the life of the bonds of \$850.8 million. Estimated average annual property tax increase to a residential property owner, with an assessed valuation of \$600,000 and \$7,000 homeowner's exemption, would be \$61.89. • According to the Office of Public Finance, the proposed \$438.5 million in General Obligation bonds falls within the Charter debt limit requirement and City policy to limit the impact of debt service on property tax rates. <p style="text-align: center;">Recommendation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of the proposed resolution is a policy matter for the Board of Supervisors. 	

MANDATE STATEMENT

City Charter Section 9.106 states that the Board of Supervisors is authorized to provide for the issuance of general obligation bonds in accordance with the Constitution of the State of California. General obligation bonds may be issued and sold in accordance with state law or any local procedure adopted by ordinance. There shall be a limit on outstanding general obligation bond indebtedness of three percent of the assessed value of all taxable real and personal property, located within the City and County

DETAILS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

File 20-0479: The proposed resolution determines and declares that the public interest and necessity demand the acquisition or improvement of real property, including (1) facilities to deliver services for persons experiencing mental health challenges, substance use disorder, and/or homelessness; (2) parks, open space and recreation facilities, including green and climate resilient infrastructure; and (3) streets, curb ramps, street structures and plazas.

An ordinance (File 20-0478) is pending before the Board of Supervisors, providing for a proposition to be submitted to the voters in November 2020 to approve \$438,500,000 in General Obligation bonds to fund the acquisition and improvement of real property referenced in File 20-0479.

Under the proposed resolutions, the Board of Supervisors would find that:

1. The proposed bond-funded projects are necessary and in the public interest;
2. The proposed bond-funded projects with estimated costs of \$438.5 million cannot be funded from operating revenues;
3. The proposed General Obligation bonds were referred to the Planning Department, as required by the Charter and Administrative Code, conform to the Planning Code's priority policies, and are consistent with the General Plan; and
4. The approval time limits specified in Administration Code Section 2.34 are waived;¹ and
5. Prior eligible City expenditures are to be reimbursed by the bond proceeds, for which the procedures are defined on page 10 of the proposed resolution.

The proposed resolution also provides that the ordinance submitting the proposed General Obligation bonds to the voters (File 20-0478 pending before the Board) authorizes landlords to pass through 50 percent of the resulting property tax increase to residential tenants.

The proposed resolution further makes findings in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), detailed on pages 7 through 9 of the proposed resolution;

File 20-0487 is a resolution pending before the Board of Supervisors that amends the City's ten-year capital expenditure plan for FY 2020-2029 to amend the General Obligation bond program to include the proposed bonds of \$438,500,000.

¹ Administrative Code Section 2.34 requires the Board of Supervisors to approve submitting General Obligation bonds to the voters no less than 141 days before the election.

Proposed Health and Recovery Bond

The 2020 Health and Recovery General Obligation Bond report describes the projects to be acquired or constructed, using the proposed bond proceeds. Total proposed General Obligation bond allocations are shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Proposed Bond Allocation

Program Area	Amount
Health and Homelessness	\$197 million
Parks and Open Spaces	\$200 million
Right of Way Repair	\$41.5 million
Total	\$438.5 million

Health and Homelessness

The proposed bond funds would be allocated to permanent supportive housing and shelter projects, and projects for mental health and substance use disorder services. Bond-funded projects totaling \$197 million include (a) acquisition and construction of a new Behavioral Health Access Center; (b) improvements to community health facilities, such as the Chinatown Health Center; (c) acquisition and construction of permanent supportive housing and behavioral health residential facilities; and (d) improvements and stabilization for board and care and other residential facilities. Table 2 below shows the proposed allocation of bond funds.

Table 3: Proposed Bond Allocation to Health and Homelessness

Program Area	Amount
Permanent supportive housing and shelter	\$90 million
Mental health and substance use disorder	\$107 million
Total	\$197 million

Parks and Open Spaces

The proposed bond funds would be allocated to two categories of projects, neighborhood parks and programs. According to the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Report, neighborhood park projects were prioritized based on projects that had already undergone public review, design studies, and environmental review. Programmatic scope are broad categories for which specific projects have yet to be identified. According to the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Report, the Recreation and Park Commission will review and approve funding allocated to specific projects; environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) will be completed after project identification and development.

Table 3: Proposed Bond Allocation to Parks and Open Spaces

Program Area	Amount
Neighborhood Parks	
Buchanan Mall	\$2 million
Gene Friend Recreation Center	\$50 million
Herz Playground Recreation Center (HOPE SF)	\$10 million
India Basin	\$29 million
Japantown Peace Plaza	\$25 million
Contingency	\$5 million
Subtotal Neighborhood Parks	\$121 million
Programmatic Scope	
Citywide Parks	\$18 million
Recovery Parks	\$18 million
Playgrounds	\$10 million
Community Opportunity Fund	\$6 million
Sustainability	\$20 million
Mini Parks	\$1 million
Trails	\$2 million
Community Gardens	\$0.6 million
Contingency	\$1.4 million
Subtotal Programmatic Scope	\$77 million
Administration	\$2 million
Total Neighborhood Parks and Programmatic Scope	\$200 million

Right of Way

The proposed bond funds would be allocated to project to address the capital needs in the public right of way and public space. Street resurfacing projects would make up the majority of projects. The specific street resurfacing projects would be prioritized based on the pavement score, usage (such as transit corridors), project readiness, equitable geographic distribution, and public inquiries. The other two project areas are curb ramps, and street structures and plazas.

Table4: Proposed Bond Allocation to Right of Way Repairs

Program Area	Amount
Street resurfacing	\$31.5 million
Curb Ramps	\$5 million
Street Structures and Plazas	\$5 million
Total	\$41.5 million

FISCAL IMPACT*Debt Service and Property Taxes*

According to the Office of Public Finance, issuance of \$438.5 million in General Obligation bonds would result in estimated average annual debt service of \$29.3 million and total debt service over the life of the bonds of \$850.8 million. Estimated average annual property tax increase to a residential property owner, with an assessed valuation of \$600,000 and \$7,000 homeowner's exemption, would be \$61.89.

Debt Limit and Tax Rates

Charter Section 9.106 sets the City's debt limit at 3 percent of assessed valuation. According to the Office of Public Finance, based on the City's FY 2019-20 net assessed valuation of \$281.8 billion, the City's General Obligation bond debt capacity is \$8.4 billion. As of June 2020, the City's outstanding General Obligation bond debt is \$2.4 billion and authorized and unissued General Obligation bond debt is \$2.2 billion. If all authorized debt were to be issued, including the proposed \$438.5 million in General Obligation bonds, total City General Obligation bond debt would be \$5.0 billion, less that the \$8.4 billion debt limit.

The City's policy is to limit the impact of General Obligation bond debt on property tax rates; the policy defined in the Capital Plan sets the property tax rate at no more than the FY 2005-06 rate. According to the Office of Public Finance, approval of the proposed General Obligation bonds is consistent with City policy.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the proposed resolution is a policy matter for the Board of Supervisors.



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
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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)






Rush GPR Assignment Notice - 2020-004910GPR (Health and Recovery Bond 2020)

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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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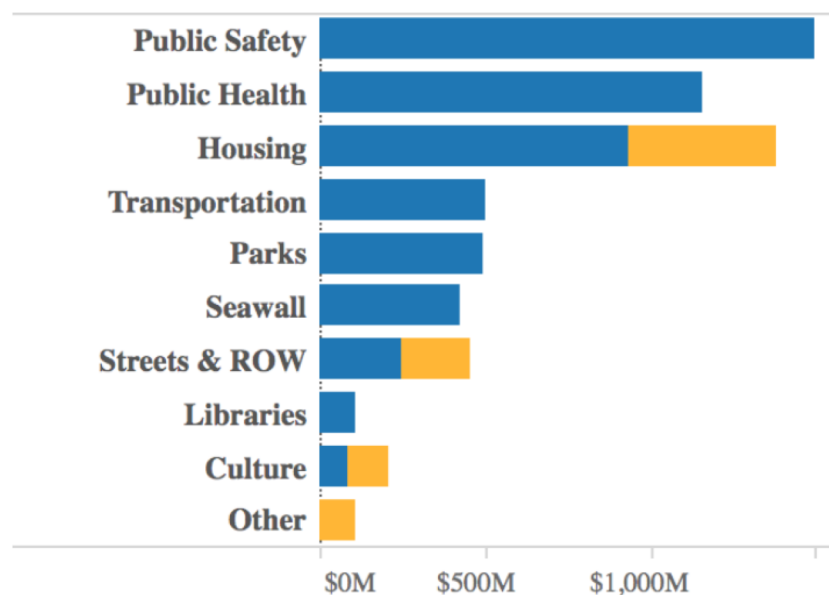
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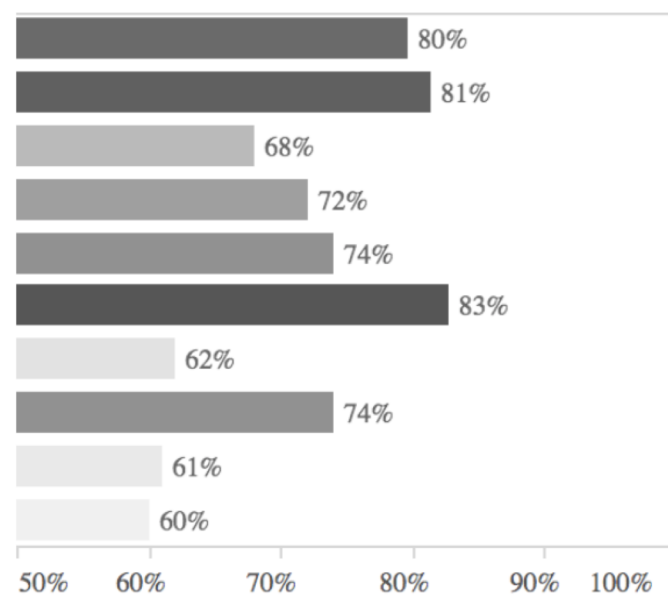
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Total Value of Bonds by Category



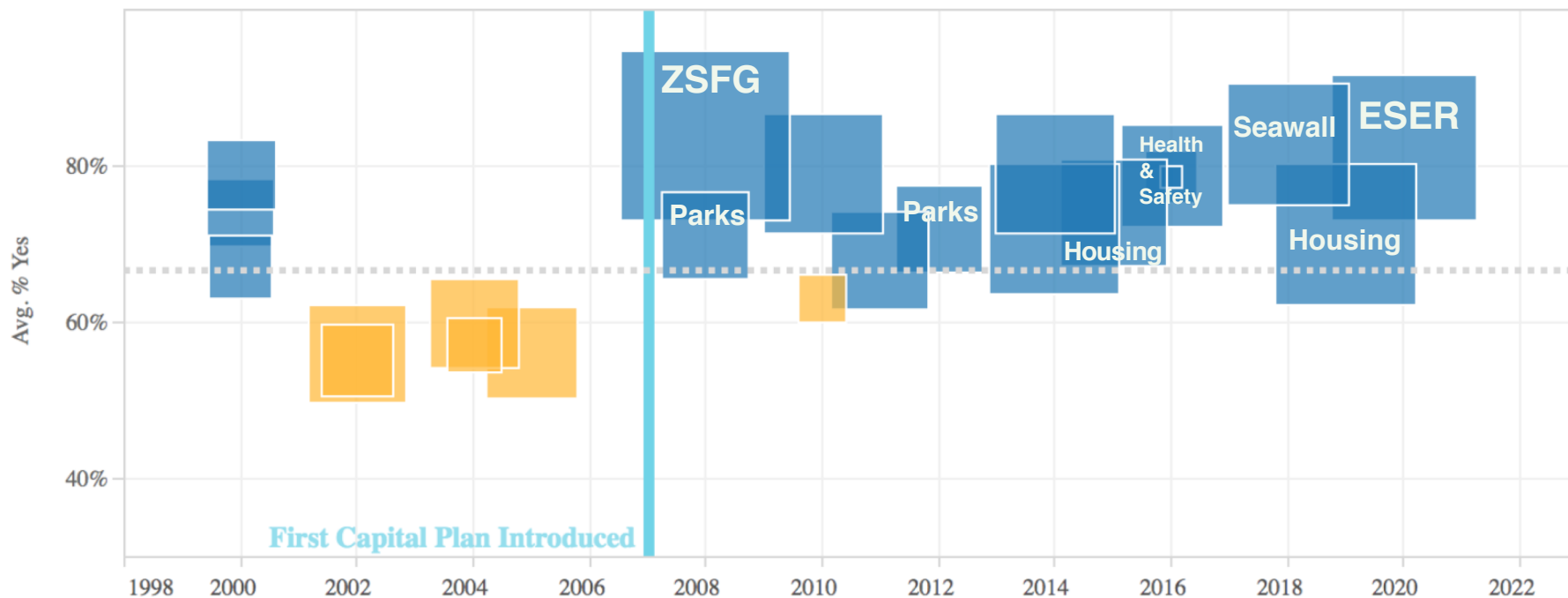
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Voter Approval of G.O. Bond Measures since 2000

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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.*

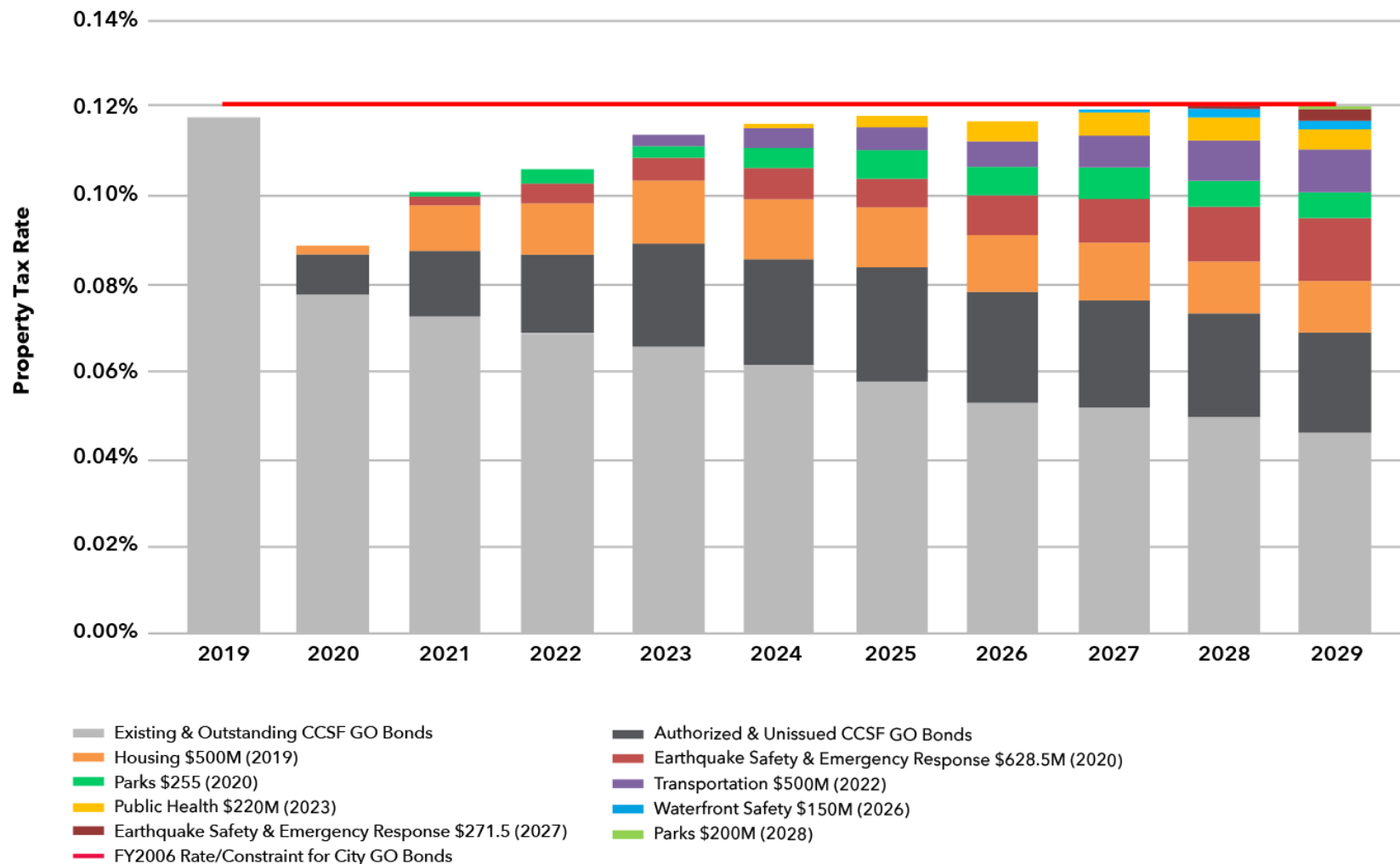
Planned GO Bonds from FY2020-29 Capital Plan

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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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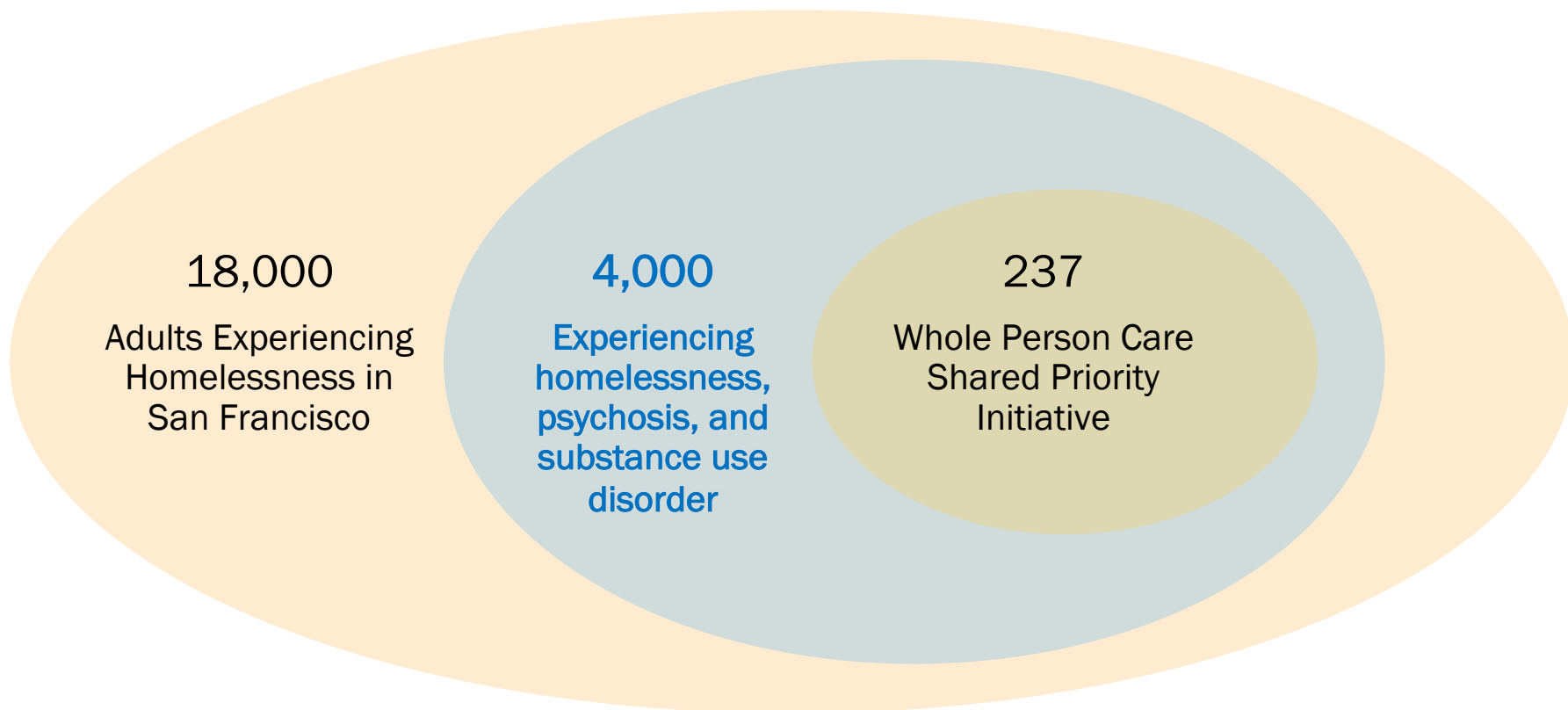
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Behavioral Health and Homelessness Priority Target Population

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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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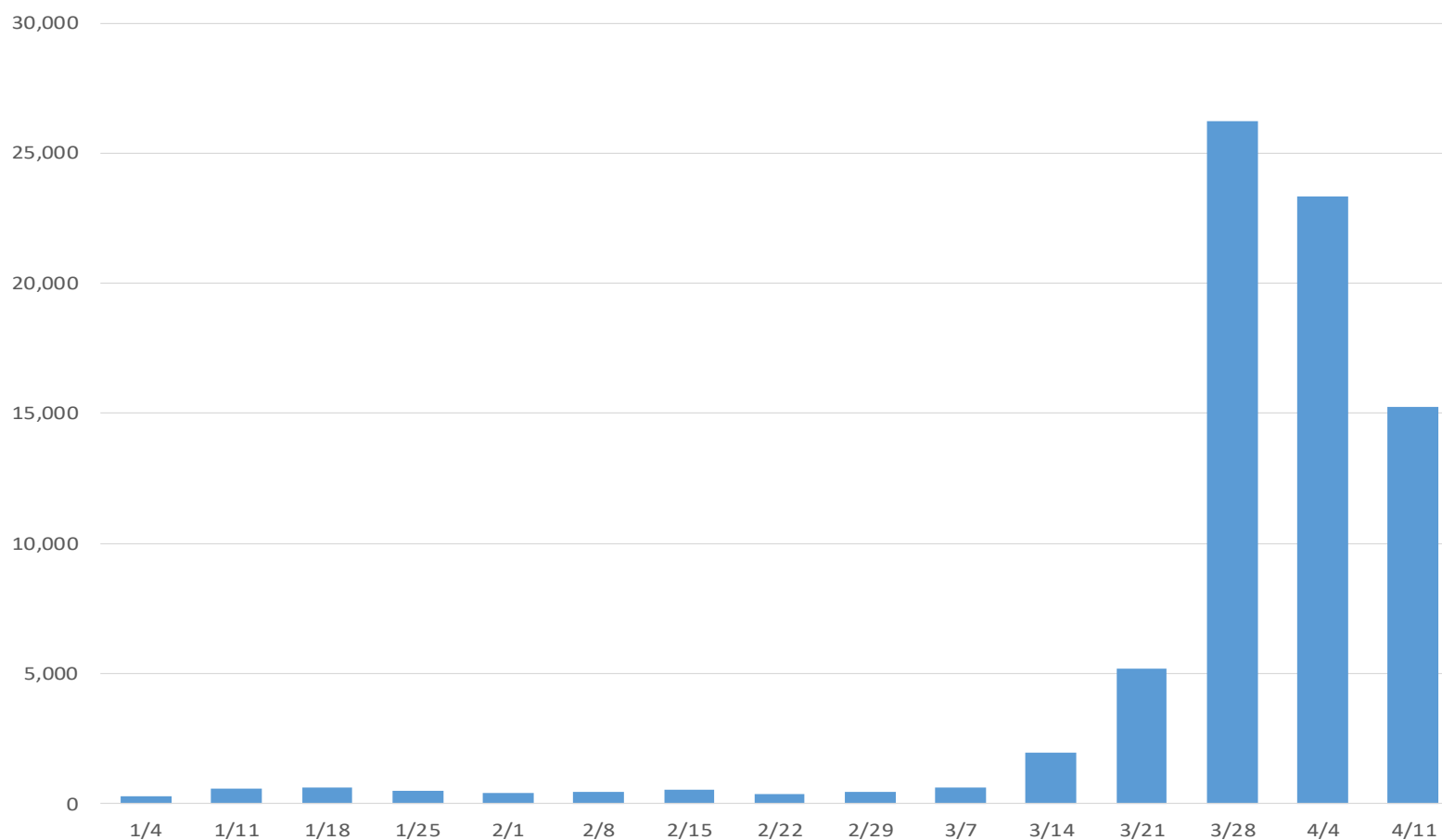
Investment Priorities	\$207M
Permanent supportive housing units, transitional housing, and shelters	
Locked acute and sub-acute treatment facilities, residential treatment facilities, and/or residential stepdown facilities	
Facilities for long-term placements, such as board and care and other residential 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

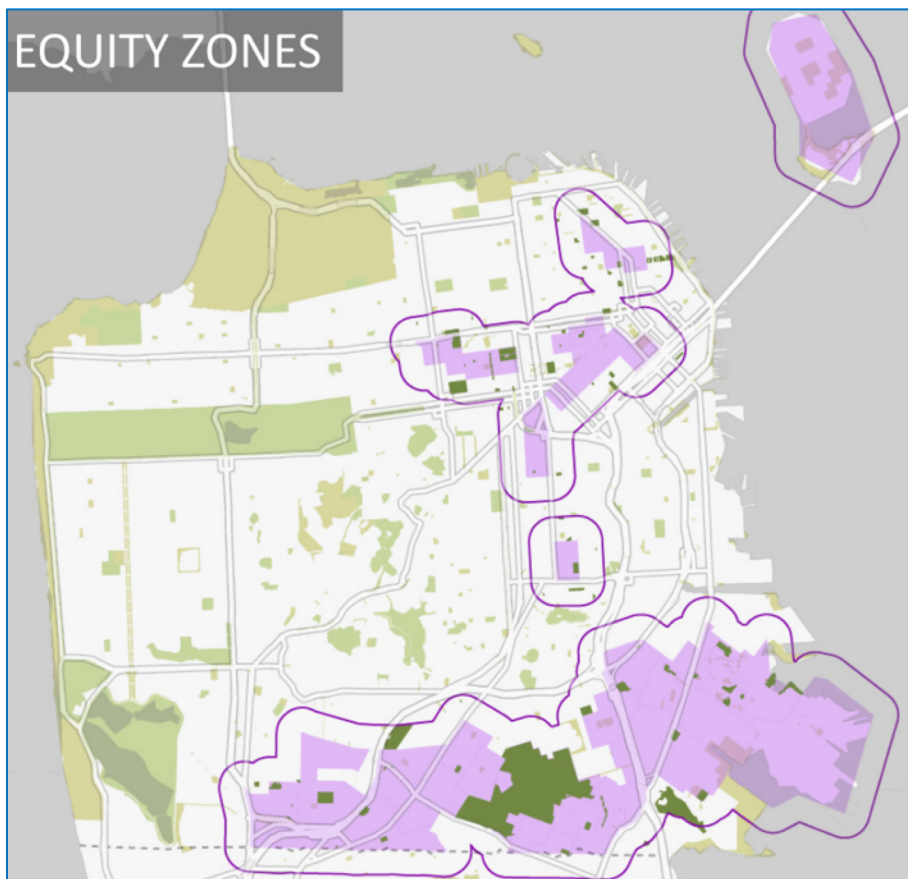
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Recovery/Parks Capital Portfolio

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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



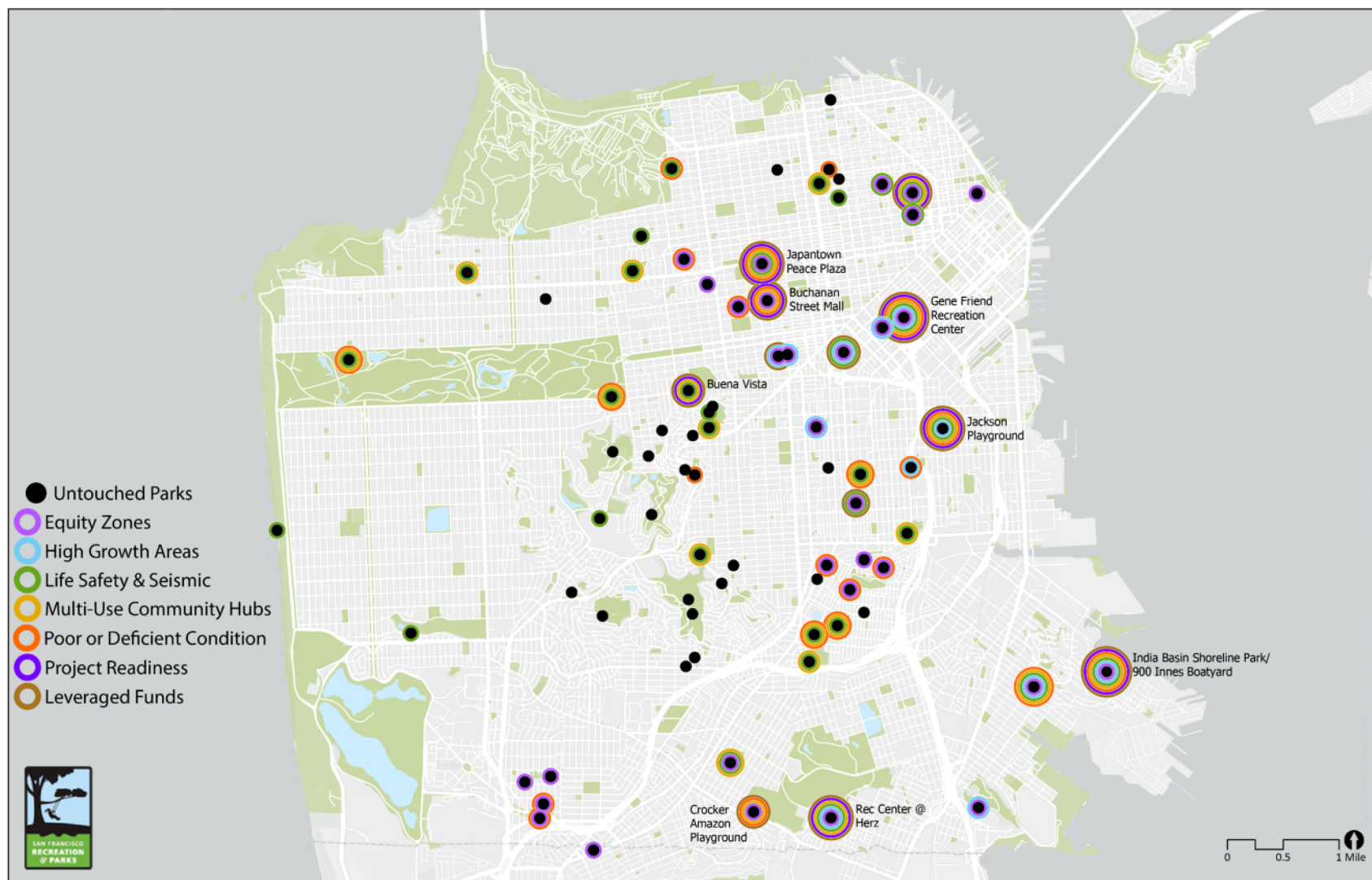
Recovery/Parks Capital Priorities

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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

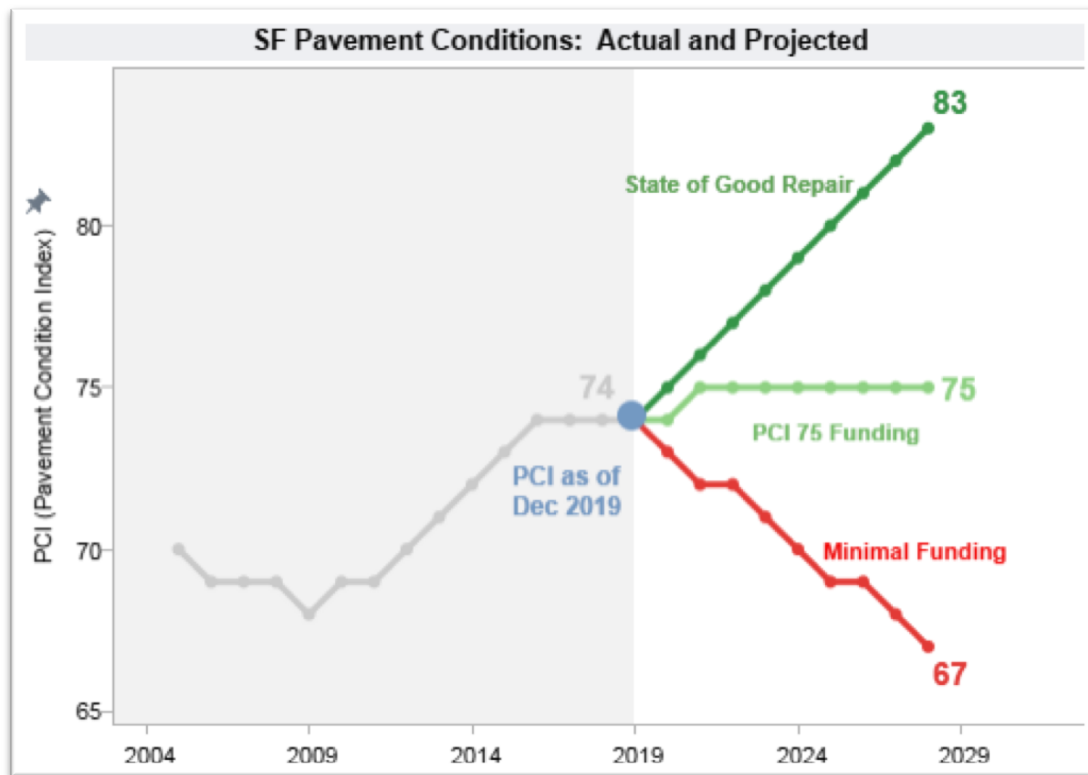


Primary funding source for streets and right-of-way in recent years has been the Pay-Go Program (General Fund and SB1 State gas tax funds).

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

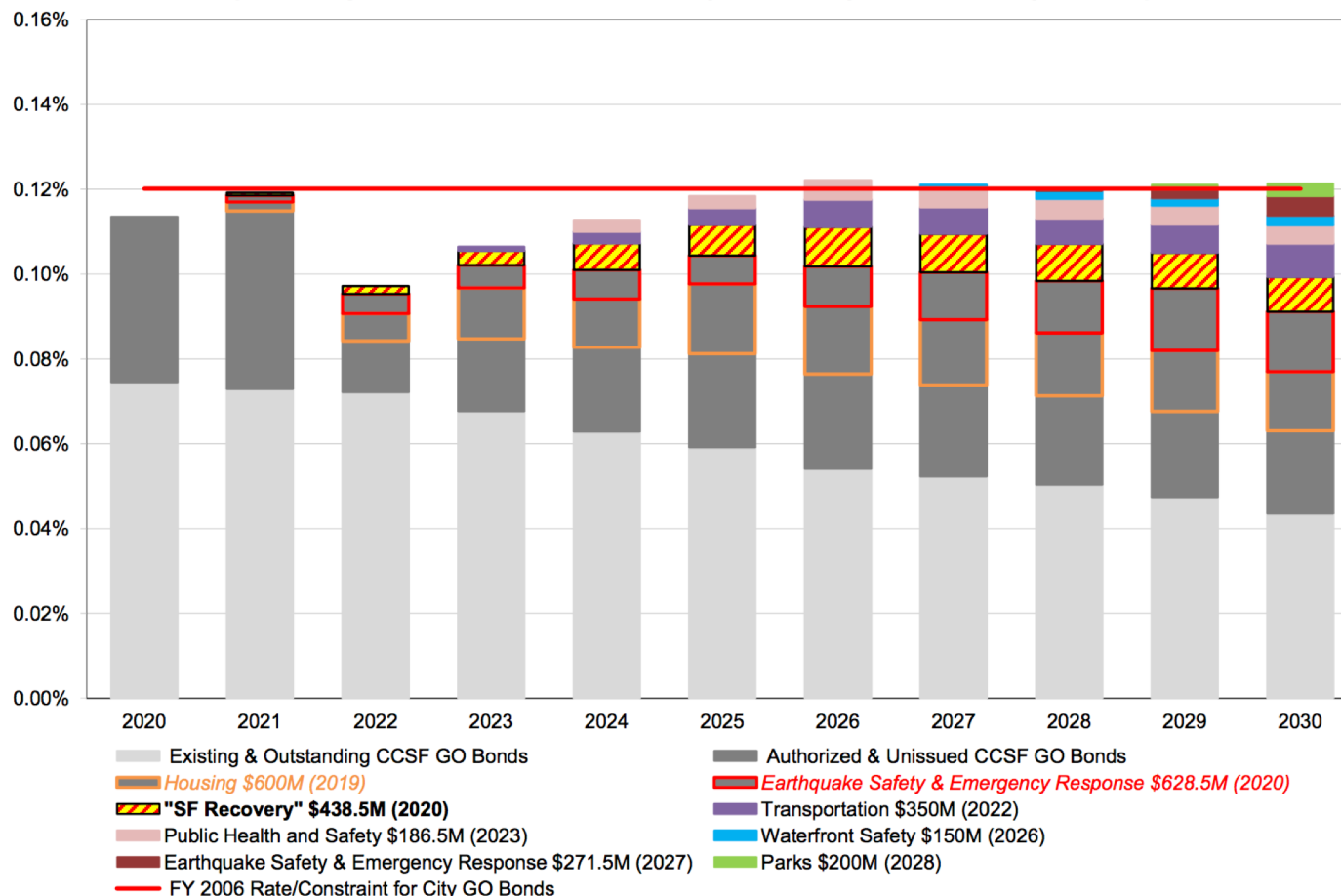
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Mar 2020	ESER	628.5	
Nov 2020	Health and Recovery (was Parks)	(was 255) 438.5	+ \$183.5M
Jun 2022	Transportation	(was 500) 350	- \$150M
Nov 2023	Public Health	(was 220) 186.5	- \$33.5M
Nov 2024	Affordable Housing	TBD	
Nov 2026	Waterfront Safety	150	
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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Mar 2020	ESER	628.5	
Nov 2020	Health and Recovery	(was 255) 487.5	+ \$49M more
Jun 2022	Transportation	(was 500) 350	
Nov 2023	Public Health	(was 220) 186.5	
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
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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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To: [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Kittler, Sophia \(MYR\)](#); [Green, Heather \(ADM\)](#); [Kirkpatrick, Kelly \(MYR\)](#); [ROUX, KENNETH \(CAT\)](#)
Subject: Mayor -- [Resolution] -- [General Obligation Bonds – Health and Recovery - Not to Exceed \$438,500,000]
Date: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 4:42:24 PM
Attachments: [01447420-Reso.docx](#)

Attached for introduction to the Board of Supervisors is a **resolution determining and declaring that the public interest and necessity demand 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; 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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Office of Mayor London N. Breed
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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

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File Nos. 200478 and 200479

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

Dear Ms. Gibson:

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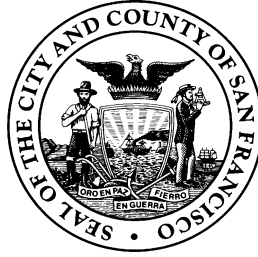
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By: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk

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

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Board of Supervisors

DATE: May 19, 2020

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

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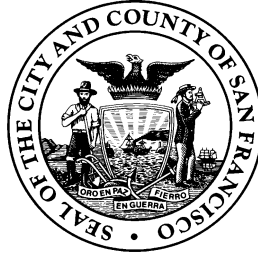
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May 19, 2020

File Nos. 200478 and 200279

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

Dear Ms. Gibson:

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By: Linda Wong, Assistant Clerk
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June 24, 2020

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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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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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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:

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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

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 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
Date: Monday, June 15, 2020 12:28:40 PM
Attachments: [Portsmouth Square letter.docx](#)

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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
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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. 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
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 12:12:15 PM

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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
Attachments: [2020_Bond_SupportLetters_061020.pdf](#)

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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
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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.

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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.

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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
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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

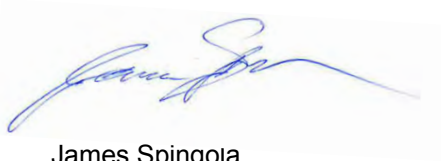
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The improvements to the Buchanan Mall has just been amazing to witness. Our community members now feel a sense of safety and pride because of the remodel of Buchanan mall over the last few years. Students are able to walk home from school and see beautiful 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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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
Executive Director

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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.

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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.

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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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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.

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 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.

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.

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



101 Montgomery St.
Suite 1100
San Francisco, CA
94104

tpl.org

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.

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 the 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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™
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
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

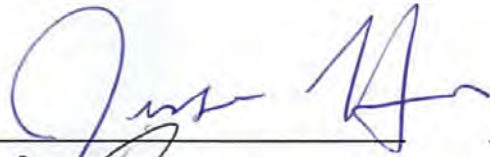
Dear Supervisors,

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,

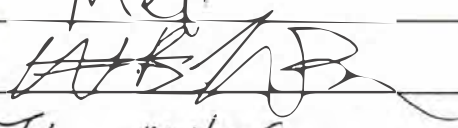
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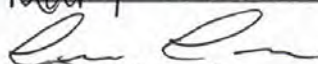


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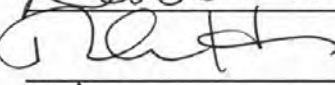
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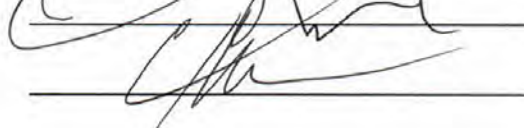




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Lynn Brownlow

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QUENTIN HOSKINS

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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June 19, 2020

Board of Supervisors

Board.of.Supervisors@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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RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

Dear Board of Supervisors,

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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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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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June 20, 2020

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

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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. 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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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,
denise debruin
1450 Wayland st
denisedebruin4@gmail.com

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
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 11:08:24 AM

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From: [Patrick Honma](#)
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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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](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 11:48:59 AM

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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
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 12:06:13 PM

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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

cc: Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org
Alisa.somera@sfgov.org
Eileen.e.McHugh@sfgov.org
info@japantowntaskforce.org

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](#)
Subject: Jackson Park - Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 12:13:16 PM

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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
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 1:30:05 PM

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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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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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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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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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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, \(BOS\)](#)
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

Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org, Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org, Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org, Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org,
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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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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: [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: [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, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: ADVOCATING FOR JACKSON PARK
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Attachments: [Jackson Advocacy Letter - BoS .docx](#)

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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,

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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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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: [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
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Supervisor Fewer
Supervisor Walton
Supervisor Mandelman

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, \(BOS\)](#)
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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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From: [Rachel Smith](#)
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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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, \(BOS\)](#)
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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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 8:30:38 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:

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.

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.

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.

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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 8:39:15 PM

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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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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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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: [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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 8:50:05 PM

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Thank you for your support.

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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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
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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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Stephen Voris

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
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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.
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Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
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

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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.
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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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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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Audrey D. Cole

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

Please see below for local and diverse community members, organizations and businesses asking you, the Budget Committee and the BOS to support and include Portsmouth Seaside in the Health and Recovery Bond 2020! Thank you!

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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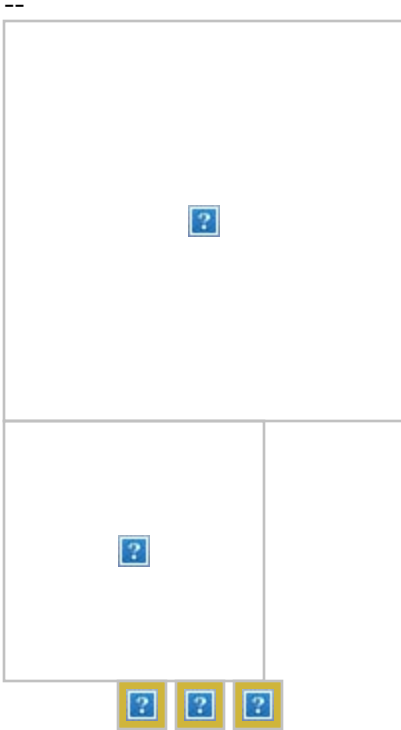
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Personally, I live across the street from this park and I'd love to see this park get the love and respect it deserves as a very, very important resource for this city and my community in Potrero Hill especially.

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

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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.

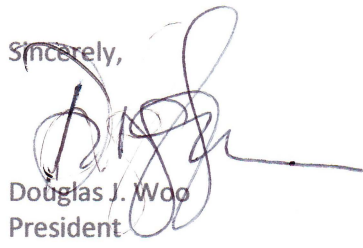
The **2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond** will prioritize shovel-ready projects delivering essential government services, support economic recovery through job creation for San Franciscans, provide funding for behavioral health and health access, while prioritizing basic infrastructure investments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

I was thrilled to see the continued inclusion of the highly successful Community Opportunity Fund (COF) in the 2020 Bond. The COF provides an opportunity for neighborhoods, community groups, and park partners to nominate park projects for leveraged funding. This process allows communities to come together and promote their neighborhood parks and the importance of park stewardship. During these unprecedented times, neighborhood parks are the gem of each community throughout the city. The 2020 Bond will provide \$6 million for the COF to continue, which will empower community members to foster positive change in their neighborhood parks. Friends of Duboce Park was a past recipient of a COF and it allowed us to complete the Youth Play Area in Duboce Park, which has greatly benefitted the community.

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,



Douglas J. Woo
President
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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](#)
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
Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
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From: [Alejandra Chiesa](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#); [Fewer, Sandra \(BOS\)](#); [Stefani, Catherine \(BOS\)](#); [Peskin, Aaron \(BOS\)](#); [Haney, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Yee, Norman \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Mar, Gordon \(BOS\)](#); [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Guillermo Rodriguez](#); [Erik Zepeda-Flores](#)
Subject: Support for 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:15:09 AM
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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.
- 3. Parks and investment.** Park systems are essential infrastructure in towns and cities across the nation. Decisions made in the next few months will determine whether the outdoors become more accessible and equitable and further benefit the health of communities, or slide backward.
- 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.

Thank you for your support of our parks and City!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alejandra Chiesa".

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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Our Community Needs Jackson Playground Named and Funded on the Health and Recovery Bond.
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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?qBsaW5kYS53b25n?=@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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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
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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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
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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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with at least \$10 million in dedicated funding.

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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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.
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.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:39:30 AM

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Of the City and County of San Francisco
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Room 244
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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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
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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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Before Covid-19, San Franciscans from all zip codes, including our two daughters, came to Potrero Hill to play at Jackson Park. With two of only nine fields with lights in the City, our two 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.

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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.
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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: [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,

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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
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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
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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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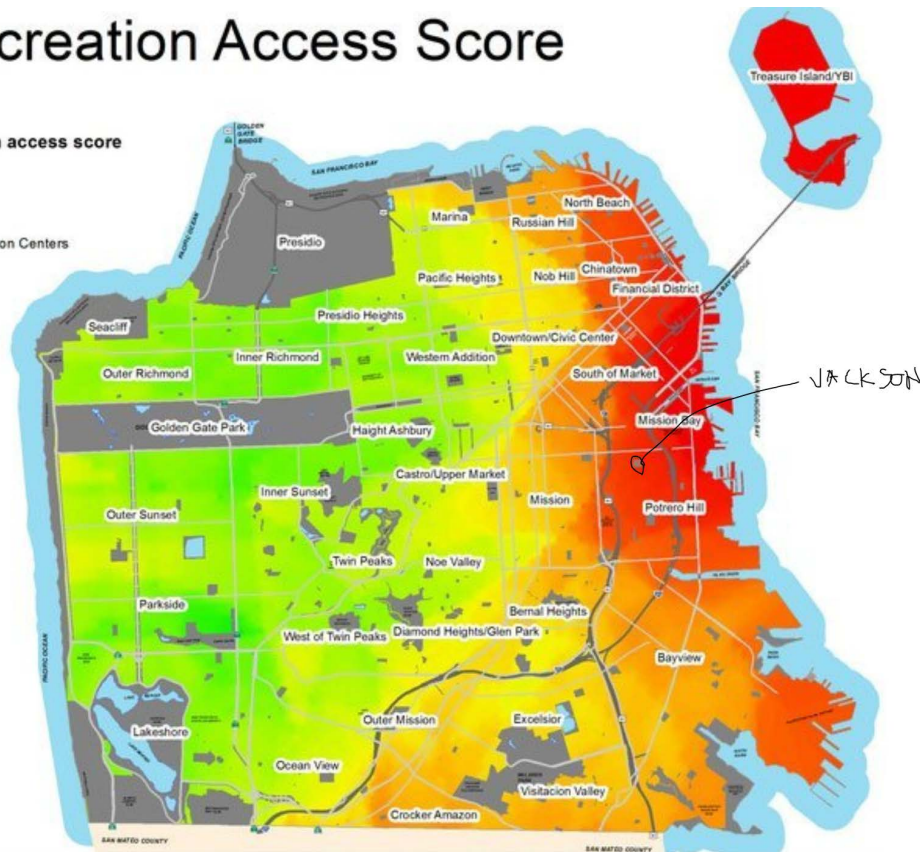
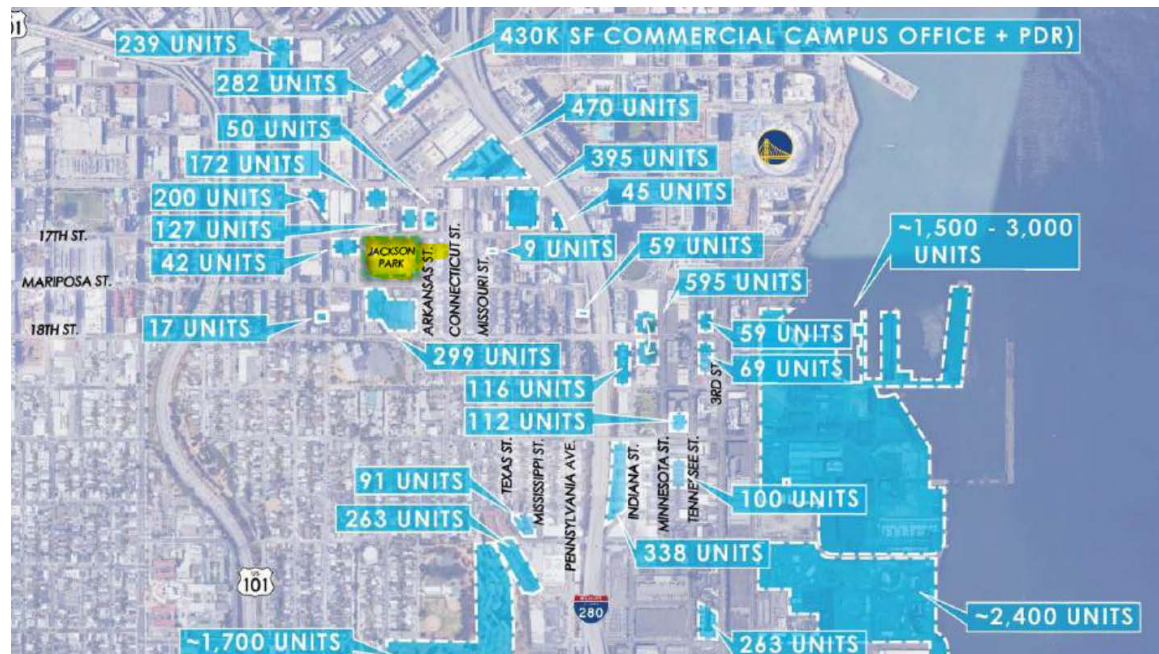


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Thank you,
Emily Wang
Resident of District 10

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
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:58:17 PM

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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.
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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: 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.

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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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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.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:27:22 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 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.

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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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.

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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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Jackson meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. According to SFRPD, over 2,200 people use the park every week. And, with all the current and projected development in the east side of the City, this number will certainly increase. Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to Jackson in need of health and healing. Our 120 social distance circles are well used. But once ballgames are allowed again, there will be no open space at Jackson for us to gather.

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.

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.

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.
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:55:04 PM

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Of the City and County of San Francisco
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
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San Francisco, CA 94102

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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

Dear 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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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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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: [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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Dear Board of Supervisors,

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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.
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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.

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.

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.
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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:

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.

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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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 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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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
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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, \(BOS\)](#)
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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.

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.

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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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,

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
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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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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,



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

RE: 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Westover', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jim Westover, AIA, LEED AP
Principal – Residential Practice Leader
William Duff Architects, Inc.

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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

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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
Mason on Mariposa

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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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
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Andres Restrepo

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Leasing Administrator
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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?B?wqBsaW5kYS53b25n?=@sfgov.org](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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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
she // hers

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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 3:04:24 PM

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Thank you for your support.

Sent from my iPhone

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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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Thank you for your support.
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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 3:39:00 PM

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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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Lucy Duan
yunxiduan@gmail.com

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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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
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-Kate Lechner

From: [Alicia Lo](#)
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: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:03:55 AM

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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

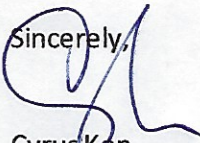
To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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

cc:Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org
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May 28, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
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Dear Supervisor Fewer:

As an 18 year resident of the Upper Fillmore area near Japantown, I am writing to ask for your support to include the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

I am a frequent visitor of Japantown's businesses such as the restaurants, banks and stores. Currently, walking through the Plaza is not a pleasure, but just a necessity to get to my destination. It would be wonderful to see it repaired and made into a gathering place for people to meet, relax and reflect on the beauty and diversity of San Francisco.

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Sincerely,

Caroline Nakajima

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Resident, District 5

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May 28, 2020

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May 28, 2020

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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

Dear Supervisor Haney:

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Sincerely,

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Resident, District 5

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Dear Supervisor Safai:

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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, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 3:42:20 PM

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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: [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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Thank you for your support.

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, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 3:23:43 PM

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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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: [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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Monday, June 22, 2020 2:40:47 PM

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Thank you for your support,
Sam Ozer-Staton

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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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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Dawn Noelle Smith Beutler

1404 Silliman St.
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, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
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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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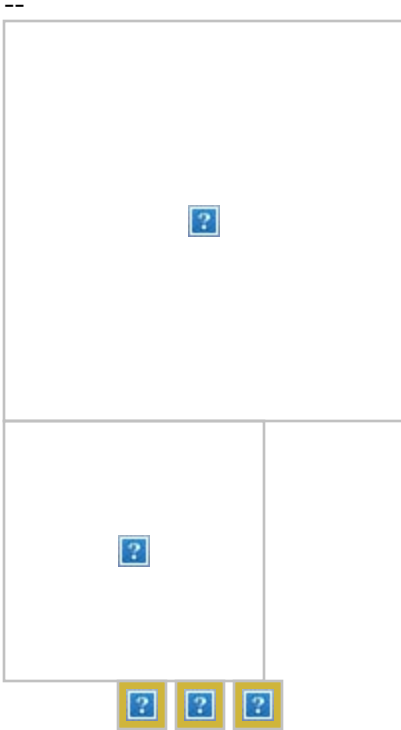
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Personally, I live across the street from this park and I'd love to see this park get the love and respect it deserves as a very, very important resource for this city and my community in Potrero Hill especially.

Thank you for your support,
Max



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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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: [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
Leasing Consultant

Mason on Mariposa

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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
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 3:39:00 PM

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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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Lucy Duan
yunxiduan@gmail.com

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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 9:23:42 PM

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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, \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project
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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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Thank you for your support,

Patrick Brady



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: 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

Alisa Somera

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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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Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org; info@japantowntaskforce.org
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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**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 8:13 AM  
**To:** Mandelman, Rafael (BOS) <rafael.mandelman@sfgov.org>; Fewer, Sandra (BOS) <sandra.fewer@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>  
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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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Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 3:08 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
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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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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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Jackson meets the investment priorities identified by the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department.

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.

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

Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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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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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.

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
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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 5:03:09 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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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 has not been named as a priority project and there are no guarantees that that necessary funding will ever be available. Without a minimum of \$10 million in Bond funding the renovation cannot 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.

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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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:

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 \(BOS\)](#)
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Of the City and County of San Francisco
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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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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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Dear Supervisors:

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.

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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Thank you for your support.

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 \(BOS\)](#)
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Of the City and County of San Francisco
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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: [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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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'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.

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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San Francisco, CA 94102

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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
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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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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.

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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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Libby Dodd
District 10 resident

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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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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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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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 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.

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

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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: [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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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

Sandra.Fewer@sfgov.org, Catherine.Stefani@sfgov.org, Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org, Gordon.Mar@sfgov.org,
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Norman.Yee@sfgov.org, Rafael.Mandelman@sfgov.org, Hillary.Ronen@sfgov.org, Shamann.Walton@sfgov.org,
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Board.of.Supervisors@sfgov.org

Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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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: [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
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:09:26 PM

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Thank you for your support.

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.

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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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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Darius Contractor
440 Utah St
SF, CA 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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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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Subject: Advocacy for the Jackson Park renovation project

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Thank you for your support,

Matt Keipper

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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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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: [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 \(BOS\)](#)
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Best,
Rodney Minott
Potrero Hill

From: [Aaron Bell](#)
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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-Aaron Bell
Nearby Resident @ Mariposa St

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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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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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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: [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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 3:26:08 PM

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Hi Mayor Breed,

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Thank you for your support.
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 \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: We want Jackson Park on the Health & Recovery Bond
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:52:53 PM

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Thank you for your support.
Heidi Zak, CEO ThirdLove & Potrero Hill resident

From: [Michael Magnuson](#)
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 4:11:44 PM

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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 San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. According to SFRPD, over 2,200 people use the park every week. And, with all the current and projected development in the east side of the City, this number will certainly increase. As you know, the southeast portion of the city already suffers from inadequate open space. As such, we can no longer afford to have Jackson Park dominated by two giant baseball fields.

Now, more than ever before, our community is flocking to Jackson in need of health and healing. Our 120 social distance circles are well used. But once ballgames are allowed again, there will be no open space at Jackson for us to gather.

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Thank you for your support.

--Mike

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
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:58:16 PM

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Hello,

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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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 San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department.

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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**From:** Lauren Nosaka <[lnosaka@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:lnosaka@japantowntaskforce.org)>  
**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**

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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:

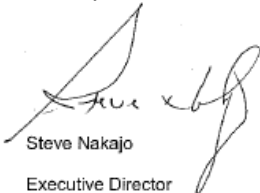
On behalf of Japantown Task Force, Inc., we urge you to support the \$25 million allocation for the Japantown Peace Plaza currently included in the proposed Health and Recovery Bond Measure. The Japantown community has waited nearly 20 years for the space to be properly repaired and to create an open 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
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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
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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.

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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,

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

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 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](#)

Alisa Somera

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**From:** Michiko Yamada <michikoyamada5@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2020 8:36 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:** Letter of Support for Japantown's Peace Plaza Allocation

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Hello,

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

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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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(415) 775-0860  
[michikoyamada5@gmail.com](mailto:michikoyamada5@gmail.com)

cc: [Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org](mailto:Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org)  
[Ellen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Ellen.mchugh@sfgov.org)  
[Alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:Alisa.somera@sfgov.org)  
[info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)

**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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From: Hiroshi Sengoku <sengoku@makitaconstruction.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 7:22 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; sknakajo@japantowntaskforce.org; John Nishizawa <johnnishizawa@gmail.com>
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



5/28/20

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,

Hiroshi Sengoku
2nd Vice President

cc: Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org
Alisa.somera@sfgov.org
Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org
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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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**From:** vanceyoshida@gmail.com <vanceyoshida@gmail.com>  
**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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Please see attached

May 5, 2020

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Sincerely,

Vance Yoshida  
President  
California Flower Market, LLC

cc: Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org  
Alisa.somera@sfgov.org  
Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org  
info@japantowntaskforce.org



**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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From: Kenji Dohi <kenji@newpeopleworld.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 4:18 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; Seiji Horibuchi <seiji@newpeopleworld.com>; Kenji Dohi <kenji@newpeopleworld.com>
Subject: Japantown Peace Plaza Support Request

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May 28, 2020

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Sincerely,

Seiji Horibuchi
President & CEO, New People, Inc.

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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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To the San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

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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**Patty Wada**  
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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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See Attached Signed pdf below.

Date: 6/2/2020

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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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 Izu & Brenda Wong Aoki
First Voice



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Date: 6/2/2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
City Hall, Room 244
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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 \(BOS\)](#)
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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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**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



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**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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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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Re: Members of the Board of Supervisors

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From: [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: FW: 2020 Health and Recovery Bond - Peace Plaza Renovation Project
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 3:00:29 PM
Attachments: [JF_Peace Plaza BOS Letter.docx](#)

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 2, 2020 12:01 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:** 2020 Health and Recovery Bond - Peace Plaza Renovation Project

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June 2, 2020

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**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 02, 2020 8:21:36 PM

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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 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  
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Sent from my iPad

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June 2nd, 2020

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

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)  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 03, 2020 12:44:04 PM

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6-03-20.

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

Sincerely,

Nihonmachi Parking Corporation

Robert Kiichi Sakai

NPC Board of Directors President

1832 Buchanan St. #202

San Francisco , CA 94115.

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**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)  
**Subject:** Support For Peace Plaza Renovation  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 03, 2020 12:55:45 PM

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6-04-20.

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:

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

Recovery bond.

Sincerely,

Robert Kiichi Sakai

K.Sakai Company

1680 Post LLC

Managing Partner

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**From:** [Brent 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:** Japantown SF - Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 03, 2020 2:36:19 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:

On behalf of JTF, 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,

Brent Natsume



**From:** [Kay Nomura](#)  
**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  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 03, 2020 3:40:33 PM

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

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](#)  
**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:** Japan town Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Thursday, June 04, 2020 9:49:07 AM

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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 (organization), 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,

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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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.

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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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,

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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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  
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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  
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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  
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**Attachments:** [japatownlet.pdf](#)

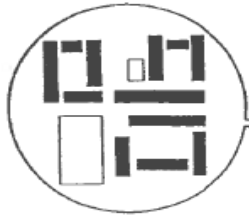
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Attached is a letter from the president of the St Francis Sq Cooperative located in the Western Addition.

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# 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.

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 Isen  
President

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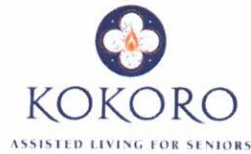
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**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Friday, June 05, 2020 4:16:39 PM  
**Attachments:** [Peace Plaza BOD letter 6-5-20.docx.pdf](#)

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*Naoko Jones*

Executive Director  
Kokoro Assisted Living  
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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.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Naoko Jones", followed by a long, horizontal, wavy line.

Naoko Jones  
Executive Director

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**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

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## Japan Center West Associates, LP

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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:

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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**From:** [Sandy Mori](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 02, 2020 9:48:59 AM

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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



**From:** [Sack, Misako M.](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](#); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](#); [Allen M. Okamoto \(allen@okamoto-re.com\)](#); [Kathleen Kimura \(kathleenkimura@comcast.net\)](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 02, 2020 11:15:52 AM  
**Attachments:** [SFOSCA Supp-Peace Plaza Proj.pdf](#)

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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

Executive Director | 事務局長 - **SFOSCA**

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The Honorable London N. Breed**

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Northern California**

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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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**From:** [Paul Gamba](#)  
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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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**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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**Subject:** Japantown Peace Plaza Renovation Project - URGENT  
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**Attachments:** [Japantown Letter to BOS 2020.06.01.pdf](#)

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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  
City Hall, Room 244  
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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:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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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:

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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**From:** [Peter Namkung](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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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](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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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  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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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

Mercedes Stuefen  
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Beau Simon  
201 California Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Francisco, California 94111

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:

On behalf of the Japantown Task Force, I write 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 the Japanese and Japanese American community does not dwell on the fact that the city forcibly acquired ownership of the area where the Peace Plaza was built, the Japantown Task Force believes that San Francisco has a responsibility to take care of the space. We understand that San Francisco has many urgent priorities, but the Japanese and Japanese American community is adamant that it has been more than patient and it is time for this city to address -- and redress -- this matter. The residential base of the Japanese and Japanese American 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.

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I urge you to support the full \$25 million currently allocated for the Japantown Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery Bond Measure.

Sincerely,



Beau Simon

Member, Board of Directors, Japantown Task Force

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June 1, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of (organization), 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,

Nobuko Saito Cleary  
President  
Cross Cultural Communications

**From:** [Thaomy Beltran](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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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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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,



Thaomy Beltran, PT, DPT

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**From:** [Kristine Hashimoto](#)  
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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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We urge you to support the full \$25 million current allocated for Peace Plaza in the Health and Recovery bond.

Sincerely,  
Kristine Hashimoto

**From:** [Wayne Hiroshima](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
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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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May 29, 2020

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Sincerely,



Hiroshi Shimizu  
President  
Tule Lake Committee

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Tule Lake Committee  
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San Francisco, CA





May 29, 2020

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hiroshi Shimizu".

Hiroshi Shimizu  
President  
Tule Lake Committee

cc: Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org  
Alisa.somera@sfgov.org  
Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org  
info@japantowntaskforce.org



**From:** [Max Chan](#)  
**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 Project  
**Date:** Saturday, May 30, 2020 1:05:53 PM

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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

**From:** [mikiko shimabe](#)  
**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 Renovation Project  
**Date:** Saturday, May 30, 2020 3:13:38 PM  
**Attachments:** [2020 Letter to SF Board of Supervisors \(Miki\).PDF](#)

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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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Sincerely,

Mikiko Shimabe  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President  
Hokka Nichibei Kai

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**From:** [takao shimabe](#)  
**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); [Hokka Nichibeikai](#)  
**Subject:** Japan Town Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Saturday, May 30, 2020 3:14:29 PM  
**Attachments:** [2020 Letter to SF Board of Supervisors \(Takao\).PDF](#)

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Sincerely,

Takao Shimabe  
Member of Hokka Nichibei Kai

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**From:** [Mari Kawaguchi](#)  
**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:** Support for Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Saturday, May 30, 2020 5:17:41 PM  
**Attachments:** [Support Peace Plaza Scan 2020-5-30 17.14.53 MKawaguchi.pdf](#)

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May 30, 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:

On behalf of Kimochi, Inc. and Pine United Methodist church, 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,



Mari A. Kawaguchi  
Kimochi, Inc.  
Board of Director

Pine United Methodist Church  
Board of Trustee

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Alisa.somera@sfgov.org  
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**From:** [Mitsuko Omachi](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org](mailto:Eileen.mchugh@sfgov.org); [info@japantowntaskforcece.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforcece.org)  
**Subject:** Japan town peace plaza  
**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)

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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,

(name) *Mitsuko Omachi*  
(title)

cc: Angela.calvillo@sfgov.org  
Alisa.somera@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  
**Attachments:** [Epson\\_05312020140334.pdf](#)

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(date)

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Sincerely,

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**From:** [Mitsuko Omachi](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#); [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)  
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**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  
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June 1, 2020

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Members, Board of Supervisors, San Francisco:

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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)  
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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 <[info@japantowntaskforce.org](mailto:info@japantowntaskforce.org)>

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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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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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](#)  
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**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
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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

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

As a member of San Francisco/Osaka Sister City Association, 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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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

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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

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Nihonmachi Street Fair, 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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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  
Executive Director

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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  
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**From:** [Rodney Chin](#)  
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**Subject:** Japantown Plaza - 2020 Health and Recovery Bond Measure  
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May 27, 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:

On behalf of the Buchanan 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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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  
Executive Director  
Buchanan YMCA

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**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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May 27, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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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,

Christine W. Hiroshima

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**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation Project  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 9:59:33 AM  
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**Subject:** Peace Plaza Renovation Project- Japantown  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 10:33:06 AM  
**Attachments:** [Peace Plaza BOS Letter 5.27.2020.pdf](#)

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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

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 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](#)  
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**Subject:** SF PEACE PLAZA RENOVATION PROJECT  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 10:16:10 AM

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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  
(415) 602-1660

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**Subject:** \$25M for Japantown Peace Plaza  
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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  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
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  
Vice President, Hawaii Chamber of Commerce of Northern California  
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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  
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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. 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: \$25 million - Health Recovery Bond Measure - Peace Plaza Renovation  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 2:42:42 PM

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Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 8:31 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>
Cc: Calvillo, Angela (BOS) <angela.calvillo@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; info@Japantowntaskforce.org; Eileen.McHugh@sfgov.org
Subject: \$25 million - Health Recovery Bond Measure - Peace Plaza Renovation

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May 28, 2020

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
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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.

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. For us, this project 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 WWII, 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 to them for their property.

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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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**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2020 12:24 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; Cathy Inamasu <nlfchildcare@gmail.com>; Paul Osaki <POsaki@jccnc.org>  
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May, 29, 2020

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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  
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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  
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**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

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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  
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Thursday, May 28th, 2020

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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

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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
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On behalf of Japan Airlines, 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 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 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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Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 1:36 PM
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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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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Hotel Kabuki, 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,

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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5/28/2020

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City Hall, Room 244  
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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the Abraham Lincoln Highschool Japanese culture club, 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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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,

**Samantha Kuang**

Co-president of ALHS Japanese Culture club

**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Peace Plaza- We Need Your Full Support  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 11:48:13 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 5:13 PM
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Subject: Peace Plaza- We Need Your Full Support

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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
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 2:47:49 PM

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**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2020 4:34 PM  
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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  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

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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**From:** [Board of Supervisors, \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Support of 2020 San Francisco Health and Recovery Bond  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020 5:04:00 PM

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**From:** TRILCE & CHARLES <helpmlpark@gmail.com>  
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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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Help McLaren Park

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**From:** [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Support the Japantown Peace Plaza Project  
**Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020 12:52:31 PM

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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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