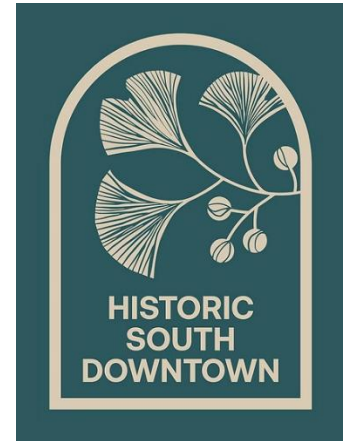


Historic South Downtown Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, June 28, 2022

Present: Nuria Hansen, Diane Le, Aleksa Manila,
Quynh Pham, Dana Phelan, Stephanie Pure, Jessica Rubenacker,
Jennifer Tam, Tuyen Than, Jessa Timmer

Staff: Kathleen Barry Johnson, James King Jr., MaryKate Ryan, Ellen Ta

Public:
Alpana Banerjee
Betty Lau



CALL TO ORDER (Action)

Dana Phelan called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

Motion by Tuyen Than to accept an amended agenda (remove budget review and add on the executive session at the end). Seconded by Jessa Timmer. Approved by all. Motion passes.

CONSENT AGENDA (Action)

Presenter: Dana Phalen

- *Meeting Minutes (May 2022)*

Motion by Stephanie Pure to approve the consent agenda. Second from Quynh Pham. Approved by all. Motion passes.

GRANT PROGRAM UPDATE (Information)

Status of Contracting and Payments

CID Block Party

- What is CID Block Party? An interactive daylong celebration of the next generation of Asian Pacific American music, art, culture and food! Focusing on emerging talent, innovations, activation.
- 2016: Music (Awkafina), food, culture, CIDBIA Foodwalk, 500 attendees
- 2019: CIDBIA Foodwalk, SAAFF Screenings in Hing Hay Park, Bar Crawl, Car Show, 3000 attendees
- 2022: CIDBIA Foodwalk SAFF, Art Walk, Car show, Celebrate Little Saigon, Japantown Seattle, 5000 attendees
- Overall vision is for the CID to be a cultural hub for creativity, art, music and turn into the SXSW of Chinatown

- Showcase artwork in a meaningful way in Chinatown
- Photos from 2019, huge stage, lots of people, all volunteer run, provided help to make it happen, everyone had a small part in making the event beautiful, that connection helps fuel people's work, will continue to have it under I5, reimaging the spaces we're in into something positive for people, flew in artists from around the country
- 2022 Date: August 20

History Chinatown Gate

- Update: \$5000 grant, unable to secure a soft cleaning contractor due to a busy pandemic cleaning schedule, but now secured Kelleger Cleaning to do the cleaning, bird repellent this summer, this will require a city permit and street closure, those are the next steps, Tuk will submit additional info as soon as they have information about the closure.
- From Betty: gratitude for HSD, especially for the gate. At the time it was constructed, hadn't really thought through maintenance, HSD funding is really helping on that end.

Status of Contracting and Payments

- Updates from James: close to 5-8 orgs to lock them down to get them the funds, confident everyone will spend down their money by November with reports to follow, needing to lock them down and notify them
- Those in progress or contracts haven't been signed – James is following up with them on their budgets
- Kathleen: pulled up website to show new map, starred all of the grantees, what they've been funded in and a link to their website. MaryKate put this together.

WSBLE UPDATES (Information)

Presenters: Kathleen Barry Johnson, MaryKate Ryan

- Continuing to work with consultants and community, Betty Lau has been very active organizing her team too, people have been meeting with ST board members outside of King County – we're all connected and those board members need to hear about what matters in the CID
- July (14 or 28) is the Board Meeting, HSD will send out reminder, that's when board will vote on preferred alignment, will likely be following request to study more for CID station
- Overwhelmingly, comments not about a specific business were about CID more broadly, thousands of comments, with two exceptions out of thousands, everyone is for 4th or for not doing this project.

ONGOING & SUSTAINABLE FUNDING WORK (Information)

Presenters: Kathleen Barry Johnson

Request to form ad hoc committee

- Working with state partners, particularly under leadership of Rep. Santos, looking for opportunity for long-term sustainable funding for HSD to invest in these two neighborhoods
- Rep. Santos is refining some options, can't really talk specifics yet but Kathleen is happy to talk through options if folks want to chat over the phone

- As we move into session Jan 2023, we want to be able to have speaking points and have community voice in these decisions
- Do what we're doing if we get a lot more money, perhaps take on a special focus, need to get more input from the two communities
- Would like to ask Board Members to think about how you think gaining that input should be structured, Kathleen is requesting formation of an ad hoc committee (not asking for a decision, just wants board to think through options before July), will discuss more in July
- Think about World Cup and its implications, more people coming into these neighborhoods
- Jessa: area ways challenge (open spaces under the sidewalk and street wall)/large-scale infrastructure project funding might be a good one to tap into
- Ad hoc committee will hopefully be able to take on scale of funding and how we'll move forward
- Goal is to have ongoing flexible sustainable funding. We don't expect permanent legislation, might be something in the 10-year range, just not have to go back every biennium to request funding

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER (Information)

Presenters: All

August Board Holiday

Board Gathering

- August Board Holiday: not meeting in August, a board break that month and will reconvene in September
- Board Gathering (Nuria): early thoughts around having a board gathering on Nuria's rooftop deck, could be fun to get together in-person this summer with our significant others and have one more time this summer outdoors safely while the weather is nice; could also be a nice recruitment tool
- WLM – Bruce Lee exhibit opens July 9 and SCIDpda Alley Party same day in Canton Alley
- FLS – flower making event in July

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Board Only)

Discussed Kathleen Johnson's review and merit increase

ADJOURN (Action)

Meeting adjourned by Dana Phelan at 6:40pm (public meeting ended at 6:06pm).

ZOOM COMMENTS

17:15:39 From Kathleen Johnson HSD (she/her) to Everyone:

Welcome Jessica.

17:15:48 From Wing Luke Museum to Everyone:

Hi everyone! My apologies for being late.

17:20:29 From Alpana Banerjee to Everyone:

Alpana—WA

17:23:01 From Wing Luke Museum to Everyone:

I remember those shelves! Really added a nice ambiance to the space

17:23:33 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

<https://cidblockparty.com/>

17:24:06 From Nuria Hansen to Everyone:

Really cool

17:27:11 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

I'll share with Metro.

17:27:38 From Jenn Tam to Everyone:

Awesome work!

17:27:56 From Ellen to Everyone:

Sounds awesome!

17:28:09 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

Exciting!

17:28:26 From Jenn Tam to Everyone:

and really great organizing!

17:30:00 From Alpana Banerjee to Everyone:

Alpana—Tuyen, involed in a wonderful creative thing.Thank you.

17:30:10 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

Can you recruit Tomo Nakayama again :)

17:31:16 From Jenn Tam to Everyone:

Yes! It was called Shop To The Beat

17:31:54 From Kathleen Johnson HSD (she/her) to Everyone:

AWKWAFINA!

17:33:18 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

On my calendar.

17:34:18 From Dana Phelan (she/her) to Everyone:

Oh my mistake, an update not presentation.

17:39:12 From Ellen to Everyone:

I'll assist 🙏

17:41:08 From Kathleen Johnson HSD (she/her) to Everyone:

Confession, I alphabetized it by name but usually it is sorted by round. I'm happy to resend if this is confusing.

17:44:39 From MaryKate (she/her), HSD to Everyone:

I WANTED a space needle. But I failed to create one.

17:44:57 From Jessa Timmer to Everyone:

what about a Chinatown gate?!?!

17:45:48 From Kathleen Johnson HSD (she/her) to Everyone:

Also, if they don't have a physical address (like the Gate) they are listed at Hing Hay.

17:46:04 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

Space Needle is trademarked so...nah.

17:47:18 From MaryKate (she/her), HSD to Everyone:

James@historicsouthdowntown.org

17:47:26 From James King Jr to Everyone:

James@historicsouthdowntown.org

17:49:02 From Betty Lau to Everyone:

July 14 and July 28

17:49:10 From Kathleen Johnson HSD (she/her) to Everyone:

Thanks Betty!

17:49:48 From James King Jr to Everyone:

I gotcha Betty

17:57:48 From Dana Phelan (she/her) to Everyone:

Both important infrastructure and safety issues.

17:59:59 From MaryKate (she/her), HSD to Everyone:

I can reach out to the city's OEM

18:00:11 From MaryKate (she/her), HSD to Everyone:

I volunteer with them. (Office of Emergency Management)

18:02:11 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

I vote yes.

18:02:40 From Kathleen Johnson HSD (she/her) to Everyone:

Love the idea. We could do another doodle about folks availability?

18:02:49 From MaryKate (she/her), HSD to Everyone:

Happy hour on the roof!

18:03:00 From Jessica Rubenacker (she/her) to Everyone:

Love this idea too!

18:03:35 From Ellen to Everyone:

Yes mam!

18:03:44 From MaryKate (she/her), HSD to Everyone:

Just don't tell the future board member you're luring them to a rooftop.

18:04:22 From Stephanie Pure to Everyone:

Yikes!

18:05:23 From Nuria Hansen to Everyone:

Jessa, when are you due?

18:05:50 From Jessa Timmer to Everyone:

Between July 26 - August 12

18:06:01 From Nuria Hansen to Everyone:

We have to schedule soon then ;)

18:06:08 From Betty Lau to Everyone:

I'm a guest on Chino y Chicano Thurs at 9:30 AM on Sound Transit