



# Eureka Valley Promotion Association

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June 19, 2003

## General Membership Meeting Minutes

7:30pm: Call to order.

7:40pm: Approval of May minutes.

### New Business

1. EVPA member Jim Morse spoke about his concerns about taxation and the increasingly disproportional distribution of income that seems to be occurring in modern society. Jim mentioned his support of no "new" taxes, and that existing and future programs should be funded through the present tax base.
2. Effie Kuriloff and Rich McCree reminded EVPA members of the upcoming 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Seward Street mini park and double slide. A barbecue and commemoration of the park, one of the past EVPA successes in the neighborhood, will take place on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. EVPA members interested in helping with the plans and festivities are welcome to call Rich at 431-4177. The commemoration will also include a chance for people to make up their own small plaque to be inserted permanently into the retaining wall at the park.
3. District 8 Supervisor Bevan Dufty continues to pursue a safe and sane solution to the annual Halloween event, as well as his plan for a "Castro Renaissance" in order to "...maintain and foster a sense of cultural vibrancy..." within the neighborhood that may have been lacking in the past. EVPA President Gustavo Serina has been involved in these plans and will keep EVPA members informed of future developments.
4. Supervisor Dufty attended the meeting and outlined his efforts to calm traffic, particularly at the intersection of Market, 16<sup>th</sup> and Sanchez Streets. Supervisor Dufty is working on budgeting for a RADAR van for the Park Police Station. In coordination with these and other "Castro Renaissance" efforts, Supervisor Dufty has scheduled more street cleanings and the cleaning of business awnings along Market and Castro streets. Supervisor Dufty also discussed the possibility of setting up a Neighborhood Economic Development Organization (NEDO) for the Castro area. Supervisor Dufty will host a meeting to discuss this in his office in the near future.

### Committee Reports

#### Ed/Rec

The landscape design for the Pink Triangle Park and Memorial has been slightly revised. A special EVPA thank you goes out to DPW for their help in making this a reality, Greg Bronstein for hiring the SF Chamber Chorale to perform at the PTP+M dedication ceremony and treating them to lunch, Dan Glazer of Hot Cookie for donating cookies, EVPA Board Member David Weiss of Catch Restaurant for donating bottled water and soft drinks, and EVPA Vice President Tom Hanus and Board Member Michael Crawford of "Persuasions" for their beautiful invitations to the dedication ceremony and efforts at getting the maximum amount of media exposure.

#### Finance

A call goes out to volunteers for the Castro Street Fair. A thank you goes out to Adam Hagan for volunteering to be EVPA's coordinator at the event, but we still need volunteers to attend to solicit donations for local neighborhood groups. This event provides EVPA with a substantial amount of funding for the year, and EVPA members are encouraged to volunteer and have fun during this weekend event in October.

The following annual budget items were voted on and passed by the membership: Castro Meeting Room Dues (~\$120) and Web Site Hosting for EVPA and PTP+M (~\$300 for PTP and ~\$200 for EVPA).

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No report submitted.

Safety

Supervisor Dufty continues to work on a solution for the annual Halloween event. In addition, the steep downhill of 17<sup>th</sup> Street has been identified as a problem after a recent accident. Supervisor Dufty will work with EVPA to identify and implement a solution to this issue.

Planning

No report submitted.

Internal Affairs and Membership

EVPA Membership is growing! Please renew and get involved with your local neighborhood organization.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm.