

SUNSET · PARKSIDE SUPERVISOR KATY TANG

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR



Happy Year of the Monkey

This year, Chinese New Year falls on February 8th, and is the Year of the Monkey. People born in the year of the Monkey are often described as intelligent, witty, and inventive.

Chinese New Year is a time for families and friends to get together to share wishes for luck and prosperity in the coming year. There are many celebrations and rituals during this time, including spiritual ceremonies, paying respect to ancestors, and house cleaning. On this occasion, my office extends to you our warmest greetings, wishing you a happy and prosperous Year of the Monkey!



Chinese character FÚ (福) meaning "prosperity" or "good luck": Often displayed upside-down as word play to mean "good luck arrives."

3rd Annual Building Inspection and Planning Department Mobile Workshop

Do you have questions regarding a potential home remodel project or need information about building requirements and City laws? We understand that the permitting process can seem daunting at times, especially when it requires that you take time out of your schedule to visit a City department in person.

That is why in partnership with the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) and Planning Department's Planning Information Counter (PIC), we will be hosting our 3rd annual DBI/PIC mobile workshop this year to help Sunset residents easily meet with a DBI/PIC professional to get their questions answered.



DBI/PIC staff come out to the Sunset and resolve resident's questions about permits and requirements



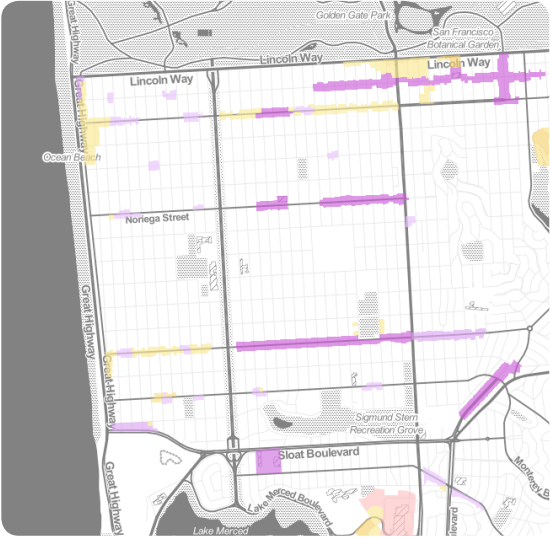
Setting up one-on-one meetings with DBI/PIC staff give residents an opportunity to discuss specific questions or issues

The DBI/PIC workshop will be held on **Saturday, February 20th from 10am-12pm at Grace Lutheran Church (3201 Ulloa Street at 33rd Avenue)**. This workshop will consist of a short presentation, followed by a general question and answer session, and one-on-one meetings with a planner from the PIC and/or DBI staff to discuss your individual questions.

To register for the workshop or reserve a one-on-one appointment to speak with DBI/PIC staff, please RSVP at <http://bit.ly/1PbjThW>. You can also contact our office at Ray.Law@sfgov.org or call 415-554-7460.

NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES

Affordable Housing Bonus Program



Map of applicable Affordable Housing Bonus Program areas.
(San Francisco Planning Department)

Our office and The Planning Department hosted a follow-up community meeting on January 19 to discuss Revisions to the Affordable Housing Bonus Program (AHBP) legislation.

Amendments introduced will limit lot mergers and includes other technical changes. In addition to these amendments, Supervisor London Breed announced that she is working on an amendment to protect existing rent control units. Supervisor Breed's intended amendment would prohibit projects that involve the demolition of rent controlled units from participating in the AHBP. More amendments are also in consideration as the program moves through the legislative process, such as exempting properties near Ocean Beach. Please note that if properties by Ocean Beach are exempted from the AHBP, that the State Density Bonus Law still applies.

At its January 28th meeting, the Planning Commission decided to postpone action on the item. We will continue to keep residents updated on this legislation. Any questions about the legislation can be directed to our office at 415-554-7460 or Katy.Tang@sfgov.org.

New Traffic Signals

You may have noticed some new stoplights and ADA accessible ramps popping up in our district in the past months. We are excited to announce that the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) activated new signals last month at **Sunset Boulevard/Wawona Street and Lincoln Way/34th Avenue**. The newly installed signals are actuated, and will activate when a pedestrian pushes a button to cross or if an east/west-bound vehicle is waiting on the side street. These actuated signals will make it safer for pedestrians and east/west-bound traffic, while minimizing traffic disruptions on Sunset Boulevard.

We anticipate the actuated signal at **Sunset Boulevard/Moraga Street** to be activated by March 2016, due to a pending power connection. Additional signals along Sunset Boulevard and other intersections have also been scheduled for activation this summer. We look forward to seeing more safety improvements that will make our streets more pedestrian and traffic-friendly.



Photo Credit: Bay Area Lightworks

Upcoming Discover Your District Events



Looking for events that provide an opportunity to try a new business, learn a new skill and meet our local merchants and Supervisor Tang? After another successful round of Discover Your District events, we are excited to announce our new round of DYD events! For more information about our upcoming DYD events, please visit www.sfbos.org/DiscoverYourDistrict. Spots are limited, so we encourage you to register for our Discover Your District (DYD) events early.

This month, we will be learning the art of making Chinese dumplings with local business, Yummy Dumpling! Come join Supervisor Tang on **Saturday, February 27th at Yummy Dumpling (1708 Irving Street and 18th Ave.) from 10:15am-11:15am** to try your hand at making and taking home some of your own freshly-made dumplings!

UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

Sloat Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project Community Meeting & Questionnaire

San Francisco Department of Public Works (SFPD), San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) and California Transportation Department (Caltrans) will be hosting another community meeting on **Tuesday, February 9, 2016 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Lowell High School's Small Music Room (1101 Eucalyptus Drive)** to review concepts for the proposed safety enhancements on Sloat Boulevard between 19th Avenue and Skyline Boulevard. This meeting will provide another opportunity to give input on project concepts for those who were not able to attend the community meeting held in January.

The Sloat Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Improvement project proposes to enhance pedestrian safety at existing marked crosswalks across uncontrolled intersections between 21st and 36th Ave. If you are a neighbor who commutes, works, or lives near Sloat, we encourage you to attend. Homeowner associations and other community leaders are also welcome.



If you are not available to attend, the SFPD still wants to hear your thoughts and input on the proposed elements. We encourage you to complete the Sloat Boulevard Project questionnaire to ensure that your feedback is heard! The questionnaire is available at bit.ly/1n2AxX0. Please submit all completed questionnaires to Grace Moore from SFPD at grace.moore@sfdpw.org, by February 12th.

For more information about the Sloat Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project, please visit bit.ly/1JxHbxU. If you have any questions about the community meeting or questionnaire, please contact Grace Moore at (415) 558-5282 or grace.moore@sfdpw.org.

Recreation and Parks Department Budget Community Meetings

The San Francisco Recreation & Parks Department (RPD) will be sharing their department's budget instructions for the upcoming years and wants to hear what you value in our neighborhood parks. RPD will be hosting two community budget meetings next month to discuss RPD's preliminary plans for fiscal years 2016-17 and 2017-18. We urge you to attend if you would like to provide input on neighborhood park priorities and learn more about RPD's budget instructions for the next two years.

Meetings will be held on **Wednesday, February 3, at Palega Rec Center (500 Felton St.)** and **Tuesday, February 9, at Gene Friend Rec Center (270 6th Street), 6pm to 7:30pm**

For more information, visit www.sfrecpark.org/community-budget-meetings-2.

San Francisco Recreation & Parks 2015-16 Community Budget Meetings

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Palega Recreation Center
500 Felton St., SF, CA 94134

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Gene Friend Recreation Center
270 6th St., SF, CA 94103



UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

City College Classes at A.P. Giannini Middle School

City College of San Francisco (CCSF) has been holding free, non-credit English as a Second language (ESL) classes in the Sunset District for over 25 years. Classes are currently being held at A.P. Giannini Middle School. ESL Classes are held **Monday through Thursday from 6:30 to 8:35 p.m.** For the current semester, CCSF is offering four classes: Level 1 and Level 2 (Low Beginning), Level 3/4 (High Beginning) and a combined Level 5-8 (Intermediate). **Classes are free** – although students are expected to buy books, which usually cost between \$30 and \$45.



If interested, please visit the A.P. Giannini main office at **3151 Ortega Street between 6:00pm and 8:00pm** any Monday through Thursday to register or call (415) 561-1875 for more information. For a listing of all available classes at CCSF, visit: www.ccsf.edu/Schedule/Spring/NC.

Civil Grand Jury Recruitment

By Stephanie Chan, District 4 Intern

Dedicated San Franciscans who want to make a difference in the city are welcomed to apply for the Civil Grand Jury 2016-2017 term. The Civil Grand Jury provides a “watchdog” role to ensure the continuous devotion of City departments, agencies and officials. Participants are given the opportunity to help communities around San Francisco by presenting issues to the Superior Court to initiate change. Being independent from government selected officials, the Civil Grand Jury opt for their own topics for inquiry. Civil Grand Jury members will have the opportunity to review records and financial documents; interview City and County department heads, elected officials, and staff; and visit government facilities to formulate reports and recommendations. Reports that affect City departments or officials contain recommendations that must also be responded to. Those who enjoy learning about City government, researching, writing, editing, analyzing data, or meeting people committed to making San Francisco a better place to live are strongly encouraged to apply.



San Francisco Superior Court
(400 McAllister Street)

Civil Grand Jury candidates are screened and interviewed by a panel of Superior Court Judges who select a pool of 30 jurors. From that pool, the 19 sworn jurors and 11 alternatives are randomly selected to serve for a one year term. In order to serve, applicants must be U.S. citizens; at least 18 years of age; have lived in San Francisco for a least the past 12 months; have no felony convictions; and be able to communicate in English. **The application deadline is May 13, 2016.**

Applications may be downloaded from civilgrandjury.sfgov.org/join.html or you may pick one up at San Francisco Superior Court, 400 McAllister Street, Room 007.



Submit a Legislative Idea to Supervisor Tang

Do you have a legislative idea to improve the quality of life for District 4 residents and fellow San Franciscans? Here's your chance to make it happen.

One of the many ways we ensure that our constituents' concerns are being heard is by producing legislation based on your input and ideas. We urge our constituents to think critically about everyday local issues, and bring forward legislative ideas that could bring positive changes to our neighborhoods. Whether it be modifying existing local codes or bringing forward a new legislative idea, we want to hear from you. To submit a legislative idea to our office, please visit www.sfbos.org/legislativeideas.

UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

Preparing for the Super Bowl: Transportation



With Super Bowl 50 occurring on Sunday, February 7 and dozens of events happening in San Francisco, there have been a lot of concerns regarding transit impacts to residents.

The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) has announced that **night train service will resume January 23 – February 12 for Super Bowl events**. The subway has been closing every night at 9:30 p.m. since July 2015 due to the subway communications system upgrade projects.

All trains will be running through the Muni subway during all hours of service from approximately 5 a.m. to 1 a.m. the next day. For additional information on how to get around the city during Super Bowl events, visit www.sfmta.com/sb50.

NERT Trainings in the Sunset District

The Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) is a program to help the citizens of San Francisco to be self-sufficient in a major disaster situation. NERT training helps citizens develop multi-functional teams that are trained in basic emergency skills. Through this program, individuals learn how to prepare themselves and loved ones for a disaster while also creating a resilient community. All trainings are free. To learn more, visit bit.ly/23u2S95.



Please register for the NERT trainings at bit.ly/1RMdWKG or call (415) 970-2024 for more information. Trainings will be held at **Sunset Ministry (3010 Noriega Street at 37th Ave) on Tuesdays, February 23 and March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 from 6:30pm – 10:00pm.**

Cantonese NERT training's are also available and will be held at **Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (3201 Ulloa Street at 33rd Ave) on Saturdays, February 27 and March 5 and 12, from 8:30am – 4:30pm.**

RECAP ON NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

No Traffick Ahead Campaign

On January 21st, I joined participants of the No Traffick Ahead (NTA) Campaign to unveil a series of print public service announcements across the Bay Area to help communities understand how human trafficking intersects with their everyday lives. NTA is the largest multi-county workgroup in the greater Northern California Bay Area collaborating on the issue of human trafficking. Participants have worked hard in the months leading up to the Super Bowl to use the event as a way to draw attention to the issue of human trafficking.

NTA hopes to educate residents that the Super Bowl is not the only time human trafficking occurs, but it is a problem happening every single day in our own neighborhoods. For more information, visit www.NoTraffickAhead.org.



RECAP ON NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

Discover Your District: Learning the Art of Kung Fu with Doc-Fai Wong Martial Arts Center



Our office had a wonderful time learning the art of Kung Fu as part of our Discover Your District (DYD) series. Participants not only had the opportunity to learn the history of Choy Li Fu Kung Fu, which is a traditional martial arts system based on Shaolin martial arts from the Shaolin Temple, but also some basic techniques that are effective in combat, and most importantly, we got a workout! Everyone had a great time at the class and worked up a nice sweat!

Our office would like to thank Doc-Fai Wong Martial Arts Center for hosting this great event with our office! For more information about Doc-Fai Wong Martial Arts Center (925 Taraval Street at 20th Avenue), please visit: www.plumblossom.net.

Muni Forward Meeting

On January 28, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) participated in a community meeting hosted by the Outer Sunset Parkside Residents Association (OSPRA) at the Ortega Branch Library. Residents had the chance to voice their input, questions, and concerns regarding the proposed L-Taraval Rapid project, and review SFMTA's latest revised proposals. The L-Taraval Rapid Project is part of SFMTA's Muni Forward initiative to create a safer and more reliable experience both on and off transit.

We want to ensure that SFMTA hears and considers your input. If you would like to request to speak with SFMTA or attend a community meeting that you are hosting, we encourage you to reach out to our office or contact Muni Forward Program Manager, Sean Kennedy at Sean.Kennedy@sfmta.com. If you would like to provide comments and feedback about the L-Taraval Rapid Project, please visit <http://svy.mk/1l84Hq7>. Alternatively, you may also visit www.tellmuni.com to provide general feedback on what you think about specific projects, or Muni Forward as a whole.

SFMTA will be hosting their next open house on **Wednesday, February 17, at Dianne Feinstein Elementary (2550 25th Avenue, between Ulloa & Vicente) from 6:00pm to 7:30pm**. We highly encourage you to attend this meeting, as it will be your opportunity to follow up or provide new input to MTA before their conceptual engineering and detail design process. For more information on the L-Taraval Rapid Project, please visit <http://bit.ly/1RkqULM>. Updates, reports, presentations, and documents from meetings will also be made available on the website.



RECAP ON NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

Ulloa Spark Initiative and Launch

On January 28, Ulloa Elementary School hosted a fundraiser event for the San Francisco Unified School District's #SparkLearning project, a citywide campaign to raise funds to bring new technology to its schools. Funds raised will go directly toward the school's English language learners. The technology purchased will help them increase their language skills and refine their writing.

To support and donate to this worthy cause, please visit <https://sfusd.tilt.com/ulloa-elementary-school>.



Photo Credit: SFUSD

MERCHANT SPOTLIGHT

ODSY Workshop

By: Stephanie Chan, District 4 Intern



ODSY Workshop

1417 Taraval Street (25th Ave)
San Francisco, CA 94116
415-234-9916

Monday – Friday: 10am-6pm
Saturday: 10am-5pm

(Photo Credit: ODSY)

ODSY Workshop is an exceptional shop owned by two master craftsmen who share a great passion for their work creating and designing leather goods. ODSY is derived from the word Odyssey, meaning a long journey full of adventures. Their simple and timeless handcrafted items suits daily use that can be apart your everyday journey. All items are handmade and each piece has its own unique quality. Being made from authentic soft leather, these products not only prove useful but also durable. The shop offers perfect gifts for any age and gender with a variety of choices such as wallets, keychains, handbags, pouches, and aprons.

Using high quality imported/made in USA materials such as Vibram (Italy), Topy (France), and Good Year (USA), ODSY does not fall short on making accessories. They also specialize in shoe and general soft leather repairs. With the abundant amount of repair services, they also collaborate with customers for special requests. These exquisite contemporary pieces are made to order. Along with the repair services, ODSY is a resourceful workshop that provides customers with continuous satisfaction.

Start your journey by selecting from ODSY's array of beautiful fine leather handcrafted entities or walking in a set of newly repaired shoes. For more information on this luxurious store please visit www.odsyworkshop.com.



DISASTER PREPAREDNESS TIP

When biking in the rain and cold weather, be sure to stay dry and warm, use front and rear bicycle lights to make sure you are visible, slow down on newly wet roads, stay out of the puddles and use your brake early and often.



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 3 | Wednesday | 6pm – 7:30pm

San Francisco Recreation and Parks Community Budget Meeting

The San Francisco Recreation and Parks department will be discussing their budget instructions for the upcoming year, and will be gathering public feedback about neighborhood park priorities.

Palega Recreation Center | 500 Felton Street

For more information, visit www.sfrecpark.org/community-budget-meetings-2

February 4 | Thursday | 7:00pm

People of Parkside Sunset (POPS) Monthly Meeting (formerly Taraval Parkside Merchants Association)

POPS sponsors special events, advocates on behalf of the neighborhood, and works with residents and other merchants to improve the community.

Taraval Police Station | 2345 24th Avenue and Taraval Street

For more information, visit www.sf-pops.com

February 6 | Saturday | 9:00am – 11:00am

Friends of Sunset Rec

Join the Friends of Sunset Recreation Center volunteers as they continue to maintain and look after the Sunset Recreation Center.

Sunset Recreation Center | 2201 Lawton Street

For more information or to get involved, contact recparkvolunteer@sfgov.org

February 9 | Tuesday | 6pm – 7:30pm

San Francisco Recreation and Parks Community Budget Meeting

The San Francisco Recreation and Parks department will be discussing their budget instructions for the upcoming year, and will be gathering public feedback about neighborhood park priorities.

Gene Friend Recreation Center | 270 6th Street

For more information, visit www.sfrecpark.org/community-budget-meetings-2

February 9 | Tuesday | 6:30pm – 8:00pm

The California Transportation Department's Sloat Boulevard Project: 19th Avenue to Skyline Boulevard – Community Meeting

Please join San Francisco Public Works, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency and California Transportation Department (CALTRANS) for a community meeting to review concepts for the proposed safety enhancements on Sloat Boulevard between Skyline Blvd. and 19th Ave. This meeting will provide an opportunity to give input on project concepts including streetscape amenities and Muni Forward bus bulbouts.

Lowell High School Auditorium | 1101 Eucalyptus Drive

For more information, contact Grace Moore at (415) 558-5282 or grace.moore@sfdpw.org

February 17 | Wednesday | 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Muni Forward: L-Taraval Rapid Project Community Meeting

Learn about the proposed L-Taraval Rapid Project and give feedback on its proposals to improve safety, reliability, and customer experience.

Dianne Feinstein Elementary | 2550 25th Avenue between Ulloa Street & Vicente Street

For more information, contact our office at (415) 554-7460 or Sean Kennedy,

Muni Forward Program Manager at Sean.Kennedy@sfmta.com

February 17 | Wednesday | 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Craft Night: Terrariums

Create your own mini terrarium! Bring your own container no more than 5 inches high, with a wide opening. We'll supply the rest. For adults. Materials are limited, please sign up in advance. To register, call 415-355-5700 to sign up.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

For more information, visit <http://sfpl.org/index.php?pg=1021679901>

February 23 and March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 | Wednesdays | 6:30pm – 10:00pm

Upcoming NERT Trainings

The Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) is a program to help the citizens of San Francisco be self-sufficient in a major disaster situation. NERT training helps citizens develop multi-functional teams that are trained in basic emergency skills. Through this program, individuals learn how to prepare themselves and loved ones for a disaster while also creating a resilient community. All trainings are free.

Sunset Ministry | 3010 Noriega St. at 37th Ave

For more information and to register, visit bit.ly/1RMdWKG or call (415) 970-2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 27 and March 5 and 12 | Saturdays | 8:30am – 4:30pm

Upcoming NERT Trainings (Cantonese)

The Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) is a program to help the citizens of San Francisco be self-sufficient in a major disaster situation. NERT training helps citizens develop multi-functional teams that are trained in basic emergency skills. Through this program, individuals learn how to prepare themselves and loved ones for a disaster while also creating a resilient community. All trainings are free. WHERE: Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church | 3201 Ulloa Street at 33rd Ave.

For more information and to register, visit bit.ly/1RMdWKG or call (415) 970-2024.

February 19 | Friday | 3:30pm – 5:30pm

Techmobile Stop Motion Animation

Visit the Library's new Techmobile and create a movie on an iPad using stop-motion animation techniques and a variety of props. Space is limited. For ages 7 and up!

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street, San Francisco, CA 94116

To register, contact Parkside Library at (415) 355-5770

February 20 | Saturday | 10:00am – 12:00pm

Department of Building Inspection and Planning Information Center (DBI/PIC) Workshop

Have questions regarding a potential home remodel project? Existing issues with building requirement or City laws? We are bringing staff from the Department of Building Inspection and Planning Department to the Sunset to answer your questions.

One-on-one meetings are available by appointment.

Grace Lutheran Church | 3201 Ulloa Street (at 33rd Avenue)

Please RSVP at <http://bit.ly/1PbjThW>

February 23 | Tuesday | 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Sunset Neighborhood Watch

Sunset Neighborhood Watch covers the Central Sunset area bounded by Lincoln Way to the north, 19th Avenue to the east, Quintara Street to the south and Sunset Boulevard to the west. The mission of the Sunset Neighborhood Watch is to strengthen neighborhood ties, increase personal safety and security awareness for the community, be the eyes and ears of the local police, collaborate with other city departments to enhance the quality of life for residents and encourage emergency preparedness for the neighborhood.

Sunset Recreation Center | 2201 Lawton Street at 28th Avenue

For more information, contact info@sunsetneighborhoodwatch.org

or visit www.sunsetneighborhoodwatch.org

February 23 | Tuesday | Noon – 1:00pm

Capoeira with Destiny Arts

Participants will learn the fundamentals of this Afro-Brazilian martial art, including movements, philosophy, instruments, and call and response songs. For kids.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

For more information, visit <http://sfpl.org/index.php?pg=1022617101>

February 25 | Thursday | 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Outer Sunset Parkside Residents Association

Join a cohort of residents from the Outer Sunset and Outer Parkside (representing the area west of Sunset Boulevard) to discuss key issues and opportunities in the neighborhood including public safety, land use, transportation and more.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

Contact Susan Pfeifer at mediasusan2@gmail.com

February 27 | Saturday | 10:15am – 11:15am

Learn the Art of Making Chinese Dumplings with Supervisor Tang and Yummy Dumpling - A Discover Your District Event

Learn the Art of Making Chinese Dumpling and take home your own freshly-made dumplings. (Free; Limit 10)

Yummy Dumpling | 1708 Irving Street and 18th Avenue

Call (415) 554-7460 or register at <http://bit.ly/1OSBsCb>

To find more upcoming events hosted by the San Francisco Public Library, please see their calendar at www.sfpl.org.

**** Please note that this month's Taraval Police Station Community Meeting has been cancelled. ****

JANUARY 2016: AT A GLANCE



DISCOVER YOUR DISTRICT (DYD) WITH DOC-FAI WONG MARTIAL ARTS CENTER



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