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When I read the Chronicle's recent column about [North Beach becoming more family-friendly](#), I was reminded of all the work so many District 3 residents are doing to improve their neighborhoods and the city as a whole. From advocating for a new library and a new playground to starting a farmer's market or fighting an inappropriate liquor license, it's clear that District 3 has some of the most active community members in a very active city.

I am honored to be your partner in City Hall.

Sincerely,

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Supervisor David Chiu - September 2012 Newsletter

District 3 Update

Jefferson Street

After years of conversations between businesses, residents and City officials, construction is slated to begin this fall to improve two blocks of Jefferson Street in Fisherman's Wharf. By widening the sidewalks and calming traffic, the changes will improve the walking and bicycling experience for the tens of thousands of people who come here daily to one of the city's top tourist destinations. The Fisherman's Wharf Community Benefits District, a crucial partner in this effort, has created a [helpful website](#) that will provide ongoing updates as the construction begins. I also wanted to congratulate community members who advocated successfully with the Department of Public Works to save almost all of the 28 trees that currently line Jefferson Street and were originally slated to be removed as part of the design.



New Design for Jefferson Street on a Weekday Afternoon; Prepared by Roma Design Group with Urban Advantage

New Chinatown/North Beach City College Campus Opening September 21!

I hope you will join me in celebrating the opening of [City College's Chinatown/North Beach new campus](#) on Friday, September 21st at 5pm at 808 Kearny Street. It has been an honor to work with City College, community stakeholders, education advocates and the Friends of Educational Opportunities in Chinatown to bring affordable and accessible public higher education to the residents of the northeast neighborhoods. The campus is also a major historical achievement as the first community college built in a Chinatown in the United States and designed to meet the educational needs of immigrants and working people. While there is a lot of work ahead of us to ensure the continued accreditation of City College, the completion of the Chinatown/North Beach campus represents the power of communities coming together to make public education a priority and all of the milestones that City College has and will continue to reach.



Legislation

Hotelization and Shareable Housing

As many of you know, the conversion of residential apartments into corporate rentals, commonly referred to as hotelization, has taken away long-term housing options from San Franciscans. That's why I introduced legislation to close the loophole on business entities renting out apartments for fewer than 30 days, as reported by the [Examiner](#). I plan on enhancing the legislation to ensure that there are stronger procedures for the city to carry out enforcement.

Additionally, I have also been working on legislation that would regulate how residents share their housing space. Many residents in this city use online platforms like AirBnB to rent out their apartments while they are away on business or taking a vacation. I will be proposing a system that allows primary residents the flexibility to share space while ensuring that both neighborhood quality of life and our housing stock are protected.

If you'd like to know more about this upcoming legislation, or if you have input based on your own housing experiences, please contact my aide Amy at amy.chan@sfgov.org.

Recently Approved Legislation

In recent weeks, the Board of Supervisors has approved legislation I sponsored that will help small businesses [become accessible to people with disabilities](#), move forward a [new, seismically-safe Chinese Hospital](#), and make us a more sustainable city by [encouraging the re-use of water in new buildings](#). I appreciate the support of my colleagues on these efforts.



New Chinese Hospital

Upcoming Legislation

In the coming months, I'll be moving forward legislation to improve open government, help preserve historic buildings, and limit new liquor licenses along the Polk Street corridor. Watch the October newsletter for more information.

Office Hours: See You in the District!

All year, I've enjoyed seeing District 3 residents at my office hours in our great cafes, and encourage you to drop in on any topic. If you plan on stopping by, please email my aide Catherine at catherine.rauschuber@sfgov.org, since office hours occasionally need to be rescheduled due to unanticipated events.

Friday, September 14, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Lower Polk

Cafe Quetzal, 1234 Polk

Friday, September 14, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Chinatown

[Chinatown Library](#), 1135 Powell Street

Friday, September 21, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Telegraph Hill

[Cafe de Stijl](#), One Union Street

Friday, September 28, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Nob Hill

Cup a Joe, 896 Sutter

Friday, September 28, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Chinatown

[Chinatown Library](#), 1135 Powell Street

September 2012 Community Calendar

Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 p.m.

[Lower Polk Neighbors](#) Monthly Meeting
First Congregational Church, 1300 Polk Street San Francisco

Thursday, September 13, 6:00 p.m.

[San Francisco Police Department Northern Station Community Meeting](#)
1125 Fillmore Street

Saturday, September 15, 9:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

[Middle Polk Neighborhood Association's Monthly Clean-Up](#)

It's A Grind Coffee House, 1800 Polk Street

Monday, September 17, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 22 - Sunday, September 23,
11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

[Annual Autumn Moon Parade and Festival](#)
Multiple locations in Chinatown

Monday, September 24, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

[Russian Hill Neighbors Happy Hour](#)
Rouge, 1500 Broadway @ Polk

Wednesday, October 3

[Walk to School Day](#)

Friday, October 5

[First Fridays in North Beach](#)
various locations

[Middle Polk Neighborhood Association's Monthly Meeting](#)

It's a Grind Coffee House, 1800 Polk Street

Wednesday, September 19, 5:30 p.m.

[San Francisco Police Department Central Station Community Meeting](#)

660 Lombard Street

Friday, September 21 & Friday, September 28
(registration required)

[Neighborhood Emergency Response Team \(NERT\) Training](#)

Sheraton Fisherman's Wharf, 2500 Mason

Sunday, October 7, 12:30 p.m.

[144th Annual Italian Heritage Parade](#)

Parade route begins at Jefferson and Stockton Streets in Fisherman's Wharf, proceeds south through North Beach on Columbus Avenue, and ends in Washington Square in front of Sts. Peter and Paul Church

****If we missed your event or meeting, please send future events to judson.true@sfgov.org and we'll include as many as we can.*

UPCOMING NEWSLETTERS: *Our office will be sending out a newsletter by the end of the first week of each month. Please send questions, topics you'd like covered, or items for the Community Calendar to judson.true@sfgov.org by the Monday of that week.*

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