

Delmas Park Neighborhood Association Tuesday, January 25, 2022, 6:30 pm Via Zoom

Attendees: Greg Felix, Sarah Springer, Kathy Sutherland, Craig Sutherland, Bert Weaver, Roy Tongilava (Sen. Cortese's office), Bridget Brown (CM Raul Peralez's office), Steve Ryan (SJ Dept of Parks, Recreation, & Neighborhood Services)

BeautifySJ Grant and Discovery Dog Park Improvements: Greg announced that DPNA has been awarded a \$5000 BeautifySJ grant for 2022, with \$3500 earmarked for improvements to Discovery Dog Park. Sarah, who is our liaison with PRNS for the dog park improvement project, described the dog agility equipment, the new dog park sign, the dog cutouts to be attached to the fence, and the new waste bag dispensers that are to be installed. Steve Ryan showed photos of the new, extended, and freshened walking path that was recently completed. When our grant funds are received, Sarah will work with Steve to order the materials, which will be delivered to and installed by PRNS.

Sen. Dave Cortese's Update: Roy Tongilava spoke about Sen. Cortese's activities in the state Senate, with new proposed legislation being introduced. He directed us to Sen. Cortese's newsletters, which are available at https://sd15.senate.ca.gov/news/newsletters. Roy can be contacted at Roy.Tongilava@sen.ca.gov. Kathy talked about a recent cleanup of the encampment at the Hwy 87 onramp on Delmas Ave by Caltrans. She noted that it was extremely hazardous working on the cleanup and asked if Sen. Cortese would support having Caltrans install equipment such as trash dumpsters, portable toilets, and hand wash stations in the area that would help prevent it from being so hazardous. Roy said he would pass the request to the Senator and would report back to us.

Bridget Brown's Update from D3: Greg noted that Bridget has done a fantastic job for us as Council Liaison for CM Peralez's office, and that we will miss having her helping us as the neighborhood moves to District 6 due to council redistricting. Bridget said that she was in the process of documenting all ongoing activities in Delmas Park that she was involved in and will transfer them to D6. She will be meeting with D6 next week and will discuss setting up a point of contact for us in D6. In addition, she will reach out to Urban Catalyst and Eden Homes, who have construction projects in Delmas Park, to transfer contact information with them.

New Board Assignments: Greg noted that his 2-year term as president ends in the next few months and that we should be considering replacements. Craig pointed out that we have a small core of active members and that all of us pitch in to do what is necessary. No decisions were made, but this will be a continuing issue as we proceed.

Neighborhood Walk with CM Davis: Greg proposed that we hold a street cleanup/neighborhood walk with CM Davis. Sarah suggested walking down San Fernando St to Barack Obama Blvd, then to San Carlos St and back to Delmas. Bert suggested giving everyone a trash bag and pickup stick, and we could do some cleanup at the same time. The event could be a Team 111 event (the first Saturday of every month for one hour). Greg was asked if he could contact Linda Nellis, CM Davis's executive assistant, to see if the Councilmember was available on Saturday, February 5, 9:00 am.