



**Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 8, 2025, 6:30 – 8:00pm**  
**Colonial Park (5315 19<sup>th</sup> Ave)**

***Social Hour (6:30 – 7:30pm)***

CHNA meetings begins with a Social Hour to give neighbors time to meet one another and connect over a slice of pizza.

***Business (7:30 – 8:00pm)***

**Welcome/Introductions**

- Over 20 neighbors present
- Mayor Pro Tem Eric Guerra & Johnny Wong
- Naiya Joens, Mayor's Office

**Committee Updates**

- Aggie Square Community Partnership
  - [Aggie Square Community Fund](#) is now accepting applications
  - Focus Areas: Youth Opportunities, Workforce Development, Entrepreneurial Support, and Public Art & Placemaking
  - Spark Grants: \$5,000 - \$50,000 for early-stage ideas or pilot projects
  - Impact Grants: \$10,00 - \$50,000 for established programs or collaborations with measurable outcomes
  - Open to nonprofits, artists, and community partners working within Aggie Square neighborhoods
  - Application deadline: February 15, 2026
  - Grants awarded: April 2026
- Colonial Park
  - [Colonial Park Committee 2025 Accomplishments](#)
  - Special thanks to Mayor Pro Tem Eric Guerra and Victoria Vasquez (PCEC District 6)
- Finance/Treasury
  - October
    - Starting Balance: \$4,655.58
    - Expenses: \$140 (Monthly Meeting)
    - Income: \$495 (Parkfest)
    - End Balance: \$5,010.58

- November
  - Starting Balance: \$5,010.58
  - No activity
  - End Balance: \$5,010.58
- December
  - Starting Balance: \$5,010.58
  - Expenses: \$7.50 (Canva Monthly)
  - End Balance: \$5,003.08
- Year Review
  - Total Expenses:
  - Total Income:
  - Differential:
  - Year End: \$5,003.08

### **Police, Library, Government Representatives Update**

- Mayor Pro Tem Eric Guerra
  - San Francisco Blvd
    - Will stay on top of Public Works for palm tree clean up
    - City currently only has 4 arborists
  - Colonial Theater
    - Open to helping CHNA hosting a meeting with a movie night at the theater
  - Parks Commission
    - Will help CHNA coordinate with Parks to review the field and see what can be done to level it out
  - Garden Tour
    - Happy to help support any efforts with the event (i.e. permitting, printing programs, etc) and elicited the Mayor's office for support too
  - New City Manager
    - Maraskeshia Smith effective January 5, 2026
    - Oversees nearly 6,000 full-time, part-time and seasonal employees, manages an annual operating budget of \$1.6 billion and implements policy direction from the Council.
    - More than 20 years of public service experience
  - Office Hours
    - 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at the Tahoe Park Food Trucks, April – October
    - Each month there's a different city service at the event (i.e. Vector control, air quality management, etc)
    - June is Pride, September has a movie night, October is Spooktacular
- Naiya Jones on behalf of Mayor Kevin McCarty

- Safe Camping Sites
  - This will be ran by the City and the associated wrap around services will be able to come in
  - D4 site has been confirmed
  - Offers safe camping, safe parking, and tiny homes,
    - Covered camping provided by the City
  - Will have private areas, space for the person's belongings, able to bring pets
  - Camp Resolution was a self-managed site and didn't meet the needs
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### **General Discussion**

- San Francisco Blvd – Shirley Daffin
  - Registered as a historical landmark
  - Idea to get some kind of marker or plaque
  - Will be applying to the Stockton Blvd Plan Action Grant Program and Aggie Square Community Fund
  - Requesting support in creating, designing, and placement of plaque and event celebration
  - Eric Guerra – Touch of Class owner has been contacted to see if a plaque could be placed on the building and he is open to the idea; maybe have two plaques (one on Touch of Class and another placed on SF Blvd in the palms)

**Meeting Adjourned 8:00pm**