



## Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting

Thursday, May 9, 2024 6:30 – 8:30

Colonial Heights Library (4799 Stockton Blvd)

### Welcome/Introductions

- Ice Breaker: Favorite bike/cycling memory
- Neighbors present: Ian Thompson, Sarah Kerber, Jilzy Christensen, Greg Ruszovan, Julia R., Sulie R., Terry R., Lari A., Kathy H., Katie F., Linda B., Regina E., Satapana B., Marsh W.
- Government officials present:
  - Giezi Bermudez (Assemblymember Stephanie Nguyen's Office)
- Guest Speakers:
  - Slow Down Sacramento, Isaac Gonzalez
  - SABA, Deb Banks

### Police, Library, Government Representatives Update

- Giezi Bermudez on behalf of Assemblymember Stephanie Nguyen
  - Assembly Bill 2576 (authored by assemblymember Stephanie Nguyen) was approved in the assembly and is now at the Senate
    - AB 2576 addresses a critical loophole where current law allows defendants with a mental health disorder and charged with attempted murder to complete mental health treatment without serving time.
  - Talk Tuesday
    - Time to meet with Assemblymember Stephanie Nguyen and her team to help you get connected to state resources
    - Last one was April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Device Brewery with about 75 people in attendance
- Eric Guerra's Office (not present but sent update ahead of time)
  - Stockton Boulevard Plan is open for commenting until May 15<sup>th</sup>

### Slow Down Sacramento – Isaac Gonzalez

- Launched August 2023 to change driving behavior
- First priority of the program was education and awareness, now wants to change policy to change without 10 year waiting period
- Tactical Urbanization

- Cities (Hoboken and Jersey City) have successfully changed driving behavior using tactical urbanization methods
  - Allows you to change the infrastructure without costing millions of dollars and does so in easy ways
- Tahoe Park Neighborhood Association is piloting tactical urbanization methods in their neighborhood using funding they received via Kevin McCarty
  - TPNA will reach out to neighboring neighborhoods to see what their problem areas and how TPNA can assist
  - Funding should be given to TPNA December 2024 and will have a nomination period January/February 2025
  - TPNA identified four problem areas that are already on the City's high injury list so the City is taking on those improvements, which leaves TPNA's funding for other problem areas
- [Slowdownsacramento.org](http://Slowdownsacramento.org)
  - One email per week about policy and education
  - Action email when something comes up

### **SABA – Deb Banks**

- SABA = Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates
- SABA spans six counties (Sacramento – South Lake Tahoe – Lodi – Davis – Marysville, etc) and serves 3.5 million people
- Goal is to encourage people to use their bikes more
- [Mayisbikemonth.com](http://Mayisbikemonth.com)
  - Create an account and log your biking trips
  - SABA uses this information logged to provide cycling data to local government to help create safer cycling infrastructure
- California is rolling out a voucher program for E-Bikes (up to \$2,000 for E-Bike purchase, income dependent)
  - <https://ebikeincentives.org/>
  - SABA has an E-Bike lending program that lets you try out and figure out which E-Bike suits you
- Bike Valet
  - Allows you to park your bike without worry of being stolen or damaged while you are at an event
- Pop-up bike repair clinics
  - Free clinic, sponsored by REI
  - 45 minutes to get your bike up and running
- Activities throughout the year (not just in May)

## **Aggie Square Community Partnership – Sumiko Hong (Aggie Square) & Travis Sheridan (Wexford Science + Technology)**

- Aggie Square Community Partnership (ASCP) is a group that will set priorities and make recommendations for the allocation of the Aggie Square Community Fund
- The annual funding of the Aggie Square Community Fund is generated through an assessment on the rent paid by tenants within Aggie Square
- For the first three years, Wexford will provide \$150,000 per year, the amount that results from fully leased buildings. In subsequent years, the funding will be based on actual leasing.
- The funds will be administered through Wexford with specific input and guidance by the ASCP. The ASCP will establish criteria and set priorities for the community fund. Initial priorities are youth opportunities; workforce development and training; place-making and public art; & entrepreneurial support.
- ASCP will have 11 members.
  - One member from each of the five Neighborhood Associations near Aggie Square.
  - One youth member
  - Five institutional members: UC Davis, UC Davis Health, Wexford, Aggie Square private industry tenant, & education representative (i.e. Sacramento City Unified School District, Los Rios Community College District, etc.)
  - Each member will serve a three year term to ensure consistency during the early formation of ASCP.
- **Ask**
  - For Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association to conduct a process to appoint a person to serve on the ASCP board for 2-3 years.
  - Ideally would like to have the person appointed by end of June. ASCP's first meeting will occur in Q3 2024 (July, August, September). First round of awards to be announced by April/May 2025 in conjunction with the grand opening of Aggie Square.
- **CHNA Response**
  - CHNA process for selecting person to serve on the ASCP board:
    - CHNA will put out a call to the neighborhood/community via social media, newsletter, and website. This will include the roles and responsibilities of the member serving on the board.
    - Nominations for the position will be brought forth at the June CHNA meeting. ASCP board member selection will be made at the July CHNA meeting.
  - Ian motioned below, Sarah seconded. All I's.
    - To allow the CHNA Leadership team to meet outside of the monthly neighborhood meeting to develop the scope of the ASCP position (Aggie Square did not provide guidance on selecting a member

because that should fall under the purview of CHNA). This motion helps fast track the selection process without holding up Aggie Square or neighboring associations with their selection process.

### **Colonial Heights Cyclist Club Discussion – Ian Thompson**

- Mission Statement: To promote cycling within and outside of the neighborhood through local events, education, neighborhood advocacy, and connection with the greater Sacramento cycling community, to quote Satapana “to make bikes more available, approachable, and give riders more confidence.”
- Goal is to get people together and ride bikes
- Neighborhood events may include: community rides (with Colonial Heights and Sacramento MeetUps); guest speakers; maintenance and repair clinics; route planning assistance and bike-pooling coordination; road etiquette; cycling gear recommendations
- The current scope is to have fun and not address local politics. Could be a future inclusionary item.
- Sarah motioned to approve the committee. Jilzy seconded. Motion passed with no Nay's or Abstention.

### **Committee Updates**

- Park
  - Mulch Day on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 9-11
  - Mural – working through the process to get approved then can move forward with funding and getting artists
  - City is bringing in support and grants
- National Night Out
  - Uncertainty on current committee leads and if anyone else has stepped in
    - Greg to take on addressing this
  - Discussion of the purpose of National Night Out (intent, scope, focus)
    - Due to the meeting running over, it was proposed to talk about this at the June CHNA meeting and to make a decision about having National Night Out this year
- Marcy Housing
  - Meeting with Eric Guerra on April 20<sup>th</sup> to answer questions/concerns of the neighborhood
  - First tenants to start moving in during June, likely to be filled by October
    - Traffic study will occur once filled
- Finance/Treasury
  - April starting balance: \$2,164.49; Ending Balance: \$376.60
    - Reimbursed Sarah Kerber for original t-shirt purchase: \$787.89
    - Garden Tour: \$1,000
- T-Shirt

- T-Shirts and Tank Tops are available for purchase, \$20 per shirt, sizes Small – XXL for both
  - Sold over 10 shirts during the Garden Tour event
  - Shirts are available at all CHNA meetings and neighbor events
- Parkfest
  - October 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Committee officially change Porchfest to Parkfest
    - Colonial Park will encompass all parts of the event rather than going house to house
- Bird Watching
  - May meet up was supposed to be May 4<sup>th</sup> but was pushed to May 11<sup>th</sup> due to the rain
  - Eric Guerra to provide donuts
- Colonial Library Garden Club
  - Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> 11am-12pm
- Communications
  - Next leaders meeting is May 30<sup>th</sup>

### **General Discussion**

- June meeting location
  - Jilzy motioned to move the June CHNA meeting to the Colonial. Marsh seconded. Motion passed with one Nay.

**Meeting Adjourned 8:30pm**