Steering Committee Meeting
June 4, 2019  7:30pm
550 Utah Street

Attending:  Dianne Bates, Jean Bogiages, Will Chang, April Ellis, JR Eppler, Sheldon Trimble
Brooke Ray Rivera (SFPA), Edmund Lee (Public Works)

Guests:  Daphne Magnawa (Utah St), Julie Christensen(GBD)

Minutes

The meeting was opened at 7:35pm.

Introductions
Committee members and guests introduced themselves.

Walk with Jennifer Cooper-Sabo
Jean reported that she, Steven Solomon, Dianne Bates, and Sheldon Trimble took a walk around the Loop, ending at Benches garden on May 24 with Jennifer Cooper-Sabo. (Public Works, landscape manager).  We were able to talk about the aspects of the project that were important to steering committee members.

Status of May 15 Meeting at SF Parks Alliance
The May 15 meeting, attended by Jean, JR, Brooke Ray, Marissa, Drew, Edmund and Marcel resulted in action items.  Brooke Ray reported that she had sent the attendees two contract examples, one from planning and one from OEWD.  She also reported that Drew had talked with OEWD and they were interested in receiving a portion of PGPL’s IPIC funding which would be spent on Design with Bionic and the contractor.  She reported that SFPA wanted to wait until Bionic was okay with the contract examples she sent before asking Public Works to talk with Planning 0 about transferring a portion of the money to OEWD.

Much time was spent answering questions from the two guests who had not been involved with the history of the project.  The result of the discussion was the idea that we had three possible paths:

- If Bionic is satisfied with an SFPA contract, work with Bionic
- If Bionic is not satisfied with the contract, ask our D10 Supervisor to help the committee take the issue of MOHCD excessive contracts for small projects to the Board of Supervisors so that contracting with private firms on small projects is treated differently from contracts with large projects.
- If Bionic is not willing to sign a contract with SFPA, work with Public Works to complete the design of Potrero Gateway Loop.

Review of the Status of the funding promised to Phase 1 of the Potrero Gateway Park
Edmund reported that the MOHCD funding had been transferred from Public works back to MOHCD to be handled by SFPA if a contract can be signed. Also, the IPIC money had been designated for Potrero gateway Loop for a number of years and was still in planning’s control. He is planning to check on the AHSC and Prop AA grants which are intended to be used for construction. Edmund pointed out that if contracting with Bionic cannot be worked out with SFPA, Public Works has the capacity to take the project from completing the conceptual design to construction. He pointed out that maintenance needs to be accounted for. Jean said that the GBD was planning to maintain the park and for that reason is very interested in the design.

**Action Items**
The committee agreed that Jean should contact Bionic and determine if they are willing to work with SFPA and the PGPL steering committee to complete the project design. This item should be completed by June 15.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15