

Balboa Park Station Citizens Advisory Committee

Resolution #_____

Whereas the Balboa Parks Station Area Plan was adopted by the Board of Supervisors in 2009; and,

Whereas the Balboa Park Station Citizens Advisory Committee was established by the Board of Supervisors to advise a number of public agencies making improvements to the Balboa Park Station area; and,

Whereas the Balboa Park Station Citizens Advisory Committee has held regularly scheduled meetings beginning on January 9, 2013 and heard numerous presentations by public agencies concerning planned and proposed improvements at said station and station area; and,

Whereas a number of significant public improvements and improvements on publicly owned properties are expected to soon begin construction, or are in active planning at the Balboa Park Station area; and,

Whereas the intersection and streets radiating from Geneva Avenue and San Jose Avenue are at the focal point of most of said public improvements; and,

Whereas the intersection and streets radiating from Geneva Avenue and San Jose Avenue are characterized by dangerous concentrations of pedestrian and motorized traffic, poor urban design, lack of disabled accessibility, worn street surfaces and markings; and,

Whereas a number of public agencies will be separately conducting certain said improvements effecting the Geneva Avenue and San Jose Avenue intersection; and,

Whereas the Balboa Park Station Area Plan is not specific as to illustrating design details of said improvements; and,

Whereas the Balboa Park Station Citizens Advisory Committee and general public require assurances that said public improvements will

be implemented by numerous public agencies into a safe, attractive, seamless and harmonious whole;

Be it therefore resolved by the Balboa Park Station Citizens Advisory Committee to recommend the following:

1. That SFMTA partner with the City and BART to develop a Geneva Avenue/SanJose Avenue Intersection Specific Plan (Specific Plan) and design guidelines for street, sidewalk, transit stops and public plazas within its sphere of influence for adoption and inclusion into the Balboa Park Station Area Plan (Area Plan); and,
2. That SFMTA partner with BART, and the City to sponsor a one-day urban design community engagement charette and workshop to illustrate potential public and private design options at the Geneva/San Jose Avenue intersection.

Be it further resolved by the Balboa Park Station Citizens Advisory Committee that the goals of the Specific Plan for Geneva and San Jose Avenues, and an urban design community engagement charette and workshop are:

1. Create illustrated design options to guide the development of public improvements that support the Area Plan and Vision Zero policies,
2. Develop a unique positive neighborhood identity and sense of place at the most highly used transit station in the south side of the City.
3. Enhance coordination of design ideas and implementation of improvements among SFMTA, BART and the City.