

**Van Ness Business Advisory Committee  
Thursday, December 20, 2018, 3:00 p.m.****One South Van Ness Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Civic Center Conference Room**Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by a voice vote at 3:05 p.m.
2. Public comment.
  - a. None heard.
3. Approval of Minutes – [November 15.](#)
  - a. Approved by a voice vote.
4. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding update from SFMTA staff.
  - a. Project schedule.
    - i. Michael George: Is part of the problem of delays that the project has so many subcontractors? They don't seem to be talking to each other.
      1. It is certainly challenging to have many different subcontractors working on the same project. They do meet regularly with the contractor to coordinate.
  - b. Construction update.
    - i. Roland Andersen: The block where Daniel Burnham Court is has started sidewalk work but it was not finished, and the notice said the work would take 3-4 weeks to complete. It has been longer than that already. Is there remaining work on this phase for the corners of the block?
      1. There is some work remaining on the corner of some blocks on this phase, however the final work on the curb ramps on the corners will not be finished until the final phase of the project.
  - c. Outreach update.
  - d. Update on neighboring projects.
5. Presentation, discussion and possible action for letter of support for public art on Van Ness Improvement Project corridor.
  - a. Patrick Hosfield motioned to take a vote on writing a letter of support for the public art installment proposed.
    - i. Discussion of motion.
      1. Patrick Hosfield: What is the total budget for the art?
        - a. It is defined as 2% of the project's budget. The SF Arts Commission will have more details about the budget for the art.
      2. Tony Fernandez: What is the proposed location for the public art installation?

- a. After a couple of other locations were considered, the current proposal is to have the art installed on Van Ness, between Geary and O'Farrell.
3. Roland Andersen: Is there other choices that can be considered? Would it be possible to have a representative from the Arts Commission brief this committee and answer more of our questions?
  - a. There have been several iterations of the proposed art that the Arts Commission has pursued and modified based on public comments and feedback. SFMTA staff can arrange for a representative to come present to the Business Advisory Committee about the current public art instalment proposal at a future meeting.
4. Patrick Hosfield: Is there a timeline by which we would need to submit the letter of support, if we decided to write it?
  - a. If the BAC would like to discuss this matter again at the next BAC meeting, after the briefing from the Arts Commission, you would still have time to submit a letter of support if the body motions to do so.
5. Roland Andersen: It would be good to have more information from the Arts Commission before taking a vote.
6. Tony Fernandez: Can you share the slides with all the images of the proposed art?
  - a. The slides are available online on the project website, but project staff can also share a link directly for more easy access to them.
  - b. The committee held a voice vote and the motion did not pass.
6. Michael George and Pat Klock complimented SFMTA outreach staff for their responsiveness throughout construction.
7. Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. by a voice vote.