## **Excelsior & Outer Mission Neighborhood Strategy**

Working Group Public Realm Subgroup

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#### Attendance:

## Working Group Participants

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### **Notes**

# **Subgroup Ground Rules**

- Start and finish on time
- Don't talk over each other
- Respect each other's opinions
- Think outside the box
- Limit public comment, when a larger number of people are in attendance, such as 10 or more people
- If stuck on a particular topic, table the topic and revisit later
- Facilitators/leaders push items through

### **Presentation by Summer Koide**

- Murals
  - o Large walls, buildings and walls
  - Scales of murals
- Bus Shelters and Sidewalk Features
  - o Review design shelter guidelines
  - Need to be proactive about maintenance
  - Narrow walkways
  - Re-expose the decorative sidewalk features
  - o Improve sidewalk unevenness

- o Steaming Cleaning Program
- Reward merchants/property owners
- o Parklets- Explore other ways to active

#### • Short-term ideas

- o Painted Utility Box Art Program
- o Palm Tree Pruning
- o General Tree Pruning
- Sparkling Streets with Glassphalt
- o Repaint light posts and Refreshing them
  - Info on light posts
- o Education and outreach on SF Shines, façade improvements and storefront transparency

### • Long-term ideas

- Excelsior Neighborhood Welcome Sign
- Underground utility cables
- o Reduce Visual clutter, storefront sign removal, other
- o Landmark ideas, heritage and lighted signs
- o Repave street

### **Presentation by Aaron Goodman**

- o Entry Bridge at Mission Street, lights and other amenities
- o Bike Connections, green areas with pavement
- o Revitalized storefronts, new design guidelines
- Work with property owners on new open spaces
- o Brand the neighborhood based on history and values, working class, engines,
- o Entry/gateways into the neighborhood
- o Incorporate art or more creative uses into street/community furniture (i.e. newspaper racks)
- More active and well deigned public spaces
- o Beer garden, signage, food trucks, lighting, etc.
- o Public Zones are missed opportunities, explore ways to active them
- Public Private Partnerships
- o Litterbug Campaign illegal dumping outreach and street cleaning campaign
- Good Neighbor commitment campaign

#### **Considerations**

- Short Term vs Long Term strategies
- o Alleyways
- o Farm Areas
- o Pilot Areas and Programs
- O What is public land?