



Services and Public Safety Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

09:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Hybrid Meeting via Zoom or In-Person at 291 Geary Street, Suite 200

Minutes

In attendance: Wes Tyler (Chancellor Hotel), Sergeant Brian Kelly (SFPD), Captain Matt Sullivan (SFPD), Lieutenant Will Elieff (SFPD), Curtis Wong (Safe City Connect), Daniel Kroos (SFPD), Steven Suen (Biscuit & Blues), Donald Thomas (Club Donatello), Steven Gil (CBRE), David Murillo (Cushman Wakefield), Grace Choung (459 Geary), Caleb Kragelund (Sephora), Andrew Jones (District Works), Albert Burruss, Chris Boss (District Works), Dmitri Shimolin (Safe City Connect), Jennifer Marino (Safe City Connect), Guled Muse (Episcopal Community Services), Audrey Lockman, and Tammy Brock (Property Owner)

Staff: Daniela Vasile (COO), Ben Horne (CFO), JaLil Turner (Director of Services), Melanie Medina (Executive Assistant), Isabelle Ho (Intern).

1. Welcome & Introductions

Daniela Vasile called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Introductions were made.

2. Public Comment

Daniela called for public comment. Seeing none, Daniela moved to the next agenda item.

3. Action to approve the May 26, 2026, meeting minutes.

Daniela directed the Committee to review the minutes.

Action: The Committee unanimously approved the meeting minutes of May 26, 2026, as motioned by Donald Thomas and seconded by Steven Suen.

4. Committee Updates

a. Clean & Safe RFP Update

Daniela shared that Block by Block will no longer be the vendor for Union Square as of September 30th, 2026, and District Works will be the new services vendor. Andrew Jones introduced himself as the District Works CEO and expressed excitement in bringing their service to the district.



b. Trash Cans

JaLil provided an update on the trash can pilot, noting that BigBelly cans have had high repair costs and frequent damage. The 90-day pilot tested MetroStore and SecurrCan cans, with SecurrCan providing greater capacity, easier access, added security, lower maintenance, and lower cost. Securr estimates a 10–12 year lifespan. Daniela noted that termination details and remaining costs with BigBelly are still being finalized. Sponsorship opportunities and local property recognition will continue with the new cans.

c. Strategic Plan Update

Ben reviewed the summarized Strategic Plan that will be presented to the board at this month's board meeting before the final draft is presented in September. He noted that there will be a few weeks after the upcoming board meeting for feedback and suggestions to circulate and ensure that the strategic plan is in alignment with the community.

d. Derby Alley & Hotel Diva

Guled introduced himself as the Episcopal Community Services community engagement manager. Episcopal Community Services is the current landlord of the Diva Hotel, which is now a permanent supportive housing. Guled shared that the organization acknowledges the public safety concerns around the streets of their building. He introduced the pilot program they developed with Tipping Point, known as the Path program, which aims to train residents to become peer responders. Guled explained that overdose is a recurring issue in their building, so the focus of the program is training residents on administering Narcan, CPR training, and being a close confidant to their community along with the support services staff and clinicians in the building.

e. Illegal Dumping

JaLil shared that Recology is now using AI services to assign fees when violations are present. He discussed ongoing illegal dumping with a particular business in the district, but changes have not been made despite outreach efforts to reduce the overfill. This is an ongoing issue districtwide, so businesses are reminded to be more mindful of their disposables to avoid violation fees.

5. SFPD Updates

a. Lt Elieff (Central Station)



Lieutenant Elieff shared that the district has experienced an uptick in displaced individuals due to DMACC's work in the Tenderloin. He noted that foot patrols will increase along Geary Street near Hotel Diva, with plans underway to expand coverage further. The department is also communicating with local businesses to encourage proactive reporting of activity that may require police response, with the goal of improving response times. Lt. Elieff also addressed ongoing conflicts involving bus tour companies and noted that he has been in communication with the appropriate manager to work toward conflict resolution and ensure tourists are not impacted.

b. Captain Matt Sullivan – Tenderloin

Captain Sullivan reported an increase in displaced individuals entering the district due to proactive efforts in the Mission. He noted ongoing concerns around 6th and 7th Streets, where certain businesses are attracting negative activity and not adhering to the Good Neighbor Policy. SFPD is working with DMACC to address compliance and ensure businesses close as required. O'Farrell Street also remains an area of concern, with SFPD conducting early-morning clearing efforts. Captain Sullivan highlighted improvements along key hotel corridors, including Cyril Magnin, Hallidie Plaza, Parc 55, and the Hilton, and noted that SFPD will continue efforts to keep these thoroughfares clear and accessible.

Ben inquired about additional late-afternoon patrols, particularly around the cable car turnaround, due to increased loitering. Captain Sullivan acknowledged the concern and noted that an early-evening team will be assigned once staffing levels allow.

c. SFPD Ambassador

No updates were given.

d. District Drone Program & RTIC

Sergeant Kelly shared that the drone dock has been installed in Union Square, and it is now live and active in the district. Daniel Kroos then shared an incident regarding theft during transit from UPS and asked that any merchants suffering losses via UPS should alert SFPD immediately.

6. HEART Grants (RFP 230 & DDC) Reports and Updates

Daniela shared that the DDC has provided the Alliance with a \$1.8M grant to fund additional safety ambassadors through April 2027.



7. May and June 2026 Operations Reports and Updates

Legion and Block by Block representatives were unable to attend the meeting, so Daniela provided an overview of the reports' highlights. She shared that two to three thousand welfare checks took place in the months of May and June, and Narcan continues to be administered. She added that the DDC has provided another grant to help continue our pressure washing efforts in the high travel corridor areas. In May and June, 187,000 linear feet were pressure washed, and almost 800 blocks of pressure washing were completed. This grant will continue through the end of February 2027.

8. Clean & Safe Service Provider Update and Action to recommend to board approval of mobilization contract.

Daniela provided a recap that District Works will be the next service provider for the Alliance and added that the board has approved of their 90-day transition plan. She directed the Committee to review the mobilization contract and asked for action to recommend it to the board for approval.

Action: The Committee unanimously approved the mobilization contract with District Works, as motioned by Wes Tyler and seconded by Steven Suen.

9. Security Camera Program Updates – AVS

Daniela shared that the DDC has provided a \$2M grant to the Alliance, with the help of Dimitri from AVS, to upgrade and expand the district's camera network. Dimitri highlighted that quality improvements are being made to the entire camera network, including improved coverage, lowlight capabilities, and nighttime components. They currently have 15 out of the 41 sites upgraded, averaging about 4-6 per month. Dimitri added that they are collaborating with UC Law to ensure that any use of AI adheres to the best practice

10. Upcoming Events and Meetings

- a. Board of Directors Meeting – July 23rd, 9 a.m. (Hotel Nikko)
- b. Local Garden – this week
- c. Bloom concert on Ellis – August 20th
- d. Bloomies – August 27th (The Marker Hotel)
- e. Next Services Committee meeting – September 22nd, 2026

11. Adjourned – The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.