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AGENDA ITEMS FOR NOVEMBER 16, 2021

- ◇ **THEME:** Catch All
- ◇ **INTRODUCTIONS:** Welcome, housekeeping and overview of the agenda.

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PRESENTATIONS & COMMUNITY BUILDING

◇ Southeast Community Center Update (Community Building)

Presenter Info: Larry Berry, Deputy Director, SECC lberry@sfgov.org (415) 535-5232

History: Expected completion, in terms of construction, is the 1st quarter of next year sometime in Jan-March. Anticipated full opening is early to mid spring. Local Hire participation is currently tracking at 41% with over 56 workers from 94124, and is above the 30% contractual commitment.

Services, Offerings & Updates:

Over the past 1½ years, several activities have happened to help the strategic vision. 1. In 2020, a survey and several community workshops were conducted to get feedback on aspects of center including center use, programming, events, name, etc. From the survey & workshops, a new name was decided: Southeast Community Center, 'Facility' was removed to make it more welcoming. 2. There was concern with decision making, and how organizations can participate in the new center. The Programs Framework was developed to help find programmatic priorities and will be unique to the new center. The commission will annually review priorities and make additional recommendations. The framework is in alignment with the mitigation that exists and community feedback. 3. Levels of Service were developed, to define and codify commitments to the community in terms of what the new center will offer. Includes how building will be used, community engagement, accountability to programming that serves the

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community. 4. Currently engaged in developing a business plan to inform the operating strategy and sustainability and figuring out opportunities for revenue generation, which doesn't necessarily mean charging people for use of the center. The current facility fell into a state of disrepair and there was no clear method of generating revenue to keep the center sustained. Finding ways to invest resources to ensure the center is successful and sustained, they will ask the PUC to keep some things so the center is successful. The first floor will include child care for 70 children, cafe, admin office for PUC's team (currently 5 staff, hoping to expand to 10) and an event space with several rooms for activities & amphitheater with outside seating and roll up door for inside/outside events. In addition to being a center, it will be an actual campus that is 2 acres and an education building. Greenspaces will be available with several outdoor dining spaces with tables and bbq pits. There are many water reuse techniques that also provide educational opportunities. Climb & Slide and Boulder Hill are naturalistic children's play areas to emphasize environmental education in addition to fun. The art plaza will have a piece by Mildred Howard which will be a landmark piece of the new center. The Sports lawn is also available for use, and the future site of the education center will be a lawn for now. The second floor contains several multipurpose rooms, the largest can be partitioned into 3 separate rooms or combined to form 1 big room, 2 additional rooms set up in library and classroom style, kitchen & bathroom areas, and a mezzanine that sits over the cafe. The third floor will be leased space for future tenants to operate out of the community center. It is set up as a shared workspace with meeting and conference rooms, a few private offices, 2 multipurpose rooms, break room, showers & bathrooms. SECC artwork will consist of: A large scale plaza sculpture which is a representation of West African currency by Mildred Howard. A large scale collage in the APR Room which lives and breathes the community in the last few decades. It was created by Kenyatta A.C. Hinkle who worked with community members, Bayview archives, and local newspapers to collect pictures of historical community members and landmarks. The main lobby is a dedication, created by Phillip Hua, to founders of original Southeast Community Facility. It has a 3D mural with their images, newspaper clippings, articles & quotes to highlight the work they did in the community that led to the building of the center. 30 pieces of 2D art by artists on the Bayview Arts Registry will fill the building. There is a lot of art because the center is a \$100 million dollar project and a certain percentage must be used towards the arts. Partnership opportunities: Just wrapped up the Cafe RFP and within the next week or so will score proposals and choose a vendor for the space. Tenants: 2 models - long term tenants which are anchor institutions who will lease out a large chunk of 3rd floor office space, community hub tenants will be the smaller organizations that share resources like conference rooms, MP rooms, basic admin infrastructure. This area will be designed similar to an impact hub, and for organizations who are just getting off their feet, or may need a satellite office but not full office. The childcare piece will include a scholarship program for middle income

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families who don't qualify for free childcare and can't afford market rate child care. They are looking for partners to activate auxiliary spaces, such as organizations who don't live there but can have a presence in the community. A commercial kitchen is available for local chefs to use. Will the current tenants at 1800 Oakdale be grandfathered in? No, it's a new public space so they have to go through the public process of competitive bid for people to be there. Was the community consulted, because they may lose services they rely on? Yes, the community was consulted prior to Larry's arrival, there was a rigorous campaign to inform the community but wasn't initially clear because the original idea was to bring in old organizations but after further review they realized they have to go through the public process. The current SECF has been closed since the pandemic and many tenants have left. They are prioritizing certain service areas so there are no gaps, but there are no services available right now. An extensive community process went on for over 1 year, even before a new space was decided. Anyone who was a tenant at 1800 was automatically given space at the new center, this was the original plan but they now have to go through the RFP process again. The RFP process is being finalized with the City Attorney and Real Estate Team, early-mid December is the expected release date. It will be available on the website www.sfpuc.org type in "Southeast Community Center RFP". Process for long term and short term tenants. The commission will decide what programs and organizations will be housed there, which is why the Programs Framework was developed. Childcare operator is going to be Wu Yee. If current tenants get space at the new center, will the rent be the same? Unsure, but the new space will use the same philosophy which is a very discounted rent rate that won't be at market rate. What are the capacities for the multipurpose rooms? Unsure because there are various sizes and waiting for the Fire Marshall to set standards. What is the reservation process for the MP rooms? A Reservationist will be on site, in addition to RecDesk which is an online reservation system to sign up for different levels of memberships and reserve rooms. How long are leases? 3-5 years for long term tenants and 2 years or less for shorter/smaller tenants. Hoping for Larry to come back in February/March for updates. The 1st 2 weeks of December, prioritize tours of the center specifically for organizers in the community. Larry will not be able to provide information about the RFPs until they are released and tours do not guarantee a space in the center. Not everyone understands the history and why the center is here, it's important to get the community excited about the new \$100 million asset in the community. Is there parking? There are 75 parking spaces available with 10 charging stations for electric vehicles.

◇ **SF Office of the City Administrator** (Presentation)

Presenter Info: *Carmen Chu*, City Administrator

History: The City Administrator oversees 25 departments, divisions, and programs that make up a significant portion of the city's backbone of operation. She is responsible for a 2,700-strong workforce, and an annual budget of nearly three-quarters of a billion

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dollars. Through the COVID-19 pandemic, City Administrator Chu also served as co-chair of the City's Economic Recovery Task Force.

Services, Offerings & Updates: The office has many different departments and the work is wide ranging. It can be thought of as a portfolio of departments that do the backend administrative functions, the backbone and supporting city services. Departments include: real estate, capital planning where people determine how to invest funding to improve public infrastructure and facilities, departments that do technology investments like the Department of Tech who have been doing work to enhance fiber to housing. The organization has a host of activities and departments that help provide services to other departments to achieve their goals. There are also other services within the organization that have a direct link to the community like the City's call center, 311, where people can report illegal dumping or any problems who will direct you to the right people to solve problems. The Office of Immigrant Affairs ensures that immigrants have access to services, pathways to citizenship workshops, and language access to get government services. Other offices include: Medical Examiner, County Clerk, Moscone Center that drives the City's convention business. Carmen hopes to achieve, as previously being on the Board of Supervisor and Assessor, how do we best deliver services to residents so they can be connected to the services they need and easily access them. The investment in the program is one piece but thinking through how to get people to them and connecting them in a way that is understandable and relatable to get them to the next level. Carmen stepped into the role in February 2021, one big focus was COVID response, Delta surge, vaccination and booster shots, setting city policies to keep workers and the public safe in buildings, working with contractors on vaccination requirements. Next phase is transitioning from COVID response as a health piece, to how to build confidence and rebuild the economy to make the community stronger. They have been focusing on the convention business because it has dried up in the last 1.5 years, with many international travelers who have stopped coming into San Francisco. Finding ways to continue to work on bringing people back into San Francisco to support downtown, venues and small businesses. Trying to help small businesses by passing a series of 14B amendments to encourage local businesses to do contracting with the city and make it easy to qualify for local preference programs. Direct SF government spending to local businesses because they are a large multiplier in communities where they live, hire and source locally. There is a big ripple effect when small businesses are successful in the community. The focus on how to pursue good government things to make the city run better. Also focusing on safe internet and IT infrastructure, investments in public streets and roadways and pedestrian crossing, things that make safer and better neighborhoods. Funding opportunities in the office - Grants for the Arts & the Community Challenge Grant. CCG application is open, if you are interested in applying the deadline is 12/3. Visit www.sfccg.org to learn more & apply, if you have questions, contact lanita.henriquez@sfgov.org. Some of the programs that were funded:

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artwork and murals, Portola reclaimed a large chunk of land and built a space to take back the land that was previously a dumping ground and created an urban garden. The CCG funds projects that directly engage residents and businesses to create green space, art, gathering spaces, etc. Cycles runs every year, if you're not ready you can apply next year. Sign up for the City Administrator's Office newsletter for future funding opportunities and other news: www.tinyurl.com/cityadminnewsletter. 311 response times are taking longer than usual for completion, what is happening with that? They brought in a new class of 311 call takers recently who are undergoing training, and hope this will help with call times. Also launched & expanding the Connected Worker App, 311 acts as the central repository for calls to come in but don't do the work. 311 is where information is received then sent out to other departments where their workers are sent out. What sometimes happens is the crew is sent out and completes the job, then it gets dirty again, so residents think that nothing was done. Future plan is that the city employee will take a picture of the work when it's complete and upload it, so the person who submitted the report will see the work was done. There have also been a number of vacancies in Public Works, and they just added a class of 25 new laborers. Have there been any calls for 911 that ended up at 311 and what kind of calls are those? There is an ongoing effort to find a way to divert 911 calls to the non-emergency line and 311. In last year's budget, a position was put in the mayor's office for the diversion issue and how to triage mental health issues or other non-911 type calls.

◇ **SF Office of the Public Defender - Closing Juvenile Hall** (Presentation)

Presenter Info: Patti Lee, Managing Attorney, Juvenile Unit

History: Over the past 1½-2 years Patti has been leading the effort to close YGC through the Close Juvenile Hall Working Group. Patti hopes to come back in 6 months to say we have a site and that juvenile hall is closed. Summary of Ordinance - deadline was targeted to be 12/31/21 with the hope of expanding community based alternatives, creating a secure rehabilitative small place of detention approved by the court, any money saved from the current 150 bed facility will be reinvested into creating the new secure alternative and more importantly into the community so we have alternatives to detention and any detention is a last resort, expand the role of the public sector in youth rehabilitation so it occurs in the community and not an institutional setting. In 2019 the workgroup membership was established.

Services, Offerings & Updates: Subcommittees Review - Started with 5 and have developed quite a bit of work, data and research. One committee is the Data and Needs Assessment Committee who determined the target is to reduce the 150 bed facility to no more than 20. There was a little pushback from juvenile probation to reduce it to 30, so they are hoping for no more than 25. Majority of the bed spaces will be for boys, because they found that there were several weeks & months with no girls in custody. The house count was as low as 9 during COVID, today they have 19. They were averaging 13-14 youth in the past year. All 19 youth are of color, 4 of whom are girls: 12 African

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American, 4 Hispanic/Latinx, 2 Samoan, 1 other, ranging in age from 12-19. The length of stays for some youth are up to 273 days for more serious charges. They are detaining more older youth, 6 18 years olds and 2 19 year olds. It was anticipated with the closure of the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) and eliminations of out of state residential treatment. The older youth are spending more time in juvenile hall. The Realignment Committee is a counter work group which looks at an alternative to DJJ. One one hand they are closing juvenile hall and the other hand voted to keep it open until an alternative is created. It will be for youth who are looking at years of commitment time and imprisonment. San Francisco has very few kids that are committed to DJJ and can range from 2-4 youth in any given year. Looking at the data and needs assessment, the takeaway is that 50-60% of detained youth are for technical violations such as warrants offenses and running away, they are not new criminal offenses. The cost of incarceration has risen to \$500k annually per youth, which can be better used in the community than incarceration. There are close to 90 programs that work with juvenile justice youth and prevention, 42 programs serve incarcerated youth, 32 programs serve in custody, 42 serve out of custody. They have identified that there is a huge gap in mental health services. For those youth that might be hospitalized on an emergency psych hold, they have no beds for them and it is very difficult to find a place that will accept them. If there is a youth who has such a severe mental health disability that they need to be hospitalized, they should not be in the juvenile justice system but in behavioral health or child welfare. Talking about a collective reinvestment, there has been mention of up to \$24 million dedicated to creating secure homes with the money going to community based organizations to serve youth in the community and not in juvenile hall. They have been working with the Dept. of Real Estate through the Facilities Committee to try and locate a home, center or warehouse to meet the components to create a secure facility. Only identified 2 sites: 1055 Pine Street (property owned by the Academy of Art, \$35 million, looks more institutional than current juvenile hall) and 1801 Vicente (Edgewood, received a lot of opposition, controversial due to prior child abuse allegations, not run by probation). Right now the Burns Institute consultants have met and drafted the final report, it is subject to review by the consultants, and hoping to send it to the Board of Supervisors within the next week or 2 to get on the calendar for a hearing. It is a 70 page report, with the 2 appendices it is closer to 200 pages. The draft is available but Patti suggests waiting for the final report, reading the proposals towards the end of the report, then reading the rest of the report. These are merely recommendations but it will be up to the Board of Supervisors to decide which proposals to adopt and move forward, like directing real estate to finding the alternative location. Labor hasn't been met yet until they find the site, it will be a meet & confer process with city unions for counselors and teachers. The supervisors have guaranteed that none of the current staff won't lose jobs but may be moved or repurposed within juvenile or adult probation departments. They are down to 2 subcommittees and completed meetings, there is 1

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final meeting in January after the BOS have met to debrief and share information. The hard work is going to start now with the BOS, who will be convening public hearing meetings. Patti encourages anyone with interest to engage in the public comment sessions. Important to have families and youth with lived experience, to express what it was like to be incarcerated and in the juvenile justice system. Some of the findings are that racial disparities continue to exist and have not gone down even if the number of youth have gone down. Latino youth are 6x more likely to be detailed than white youth, 48% who are referred are detained. Black youth are 38x more likely to be detained than white youth, 63% who are referred are detained. Black girls are 39x more likely to be detained than white/other youth. Almost 50% of youth should not have been held, the youth have been assessed by the DRI risk assessment tool. 41% score for not detention but there are overrides that are signed off by supervising probation officers, for warrants, home detention violations and placement failures (more than 50% of youth who are placed go AWOL and return home). Part of the proposals involve harm reduction which is already occurring. They have expanded diversion programs, with 2 programs run by DA's office: Make it Right restorative justice program & USF Law school program to work with unaccompanied youth who are primarily undocumented and homeless who have been trafficked by drug traffickers. Working to expedite detention hearings and alternatives to lessen time incarcerated. Towards Closure, currently they don't have a site and will be up to BOS to direct the real estate department because they have all of the components, recommendations and labor negotiation, to create the non-institutional home-like setting. A big recommendation is a shared leadership model for community programs to come into juvenile hall, share in the programming, leadership, and decision for youth in the secure settings, work with them while they are out of school, mentor with homework, engage in afterschool activities, have programs during youth's waking hours, and counselors will handle behavioral and discipline issues. Expand community alternatives - many programs in Bayview, Western Addition and TL are not funded through traditional sources of funding, they are valuable mom and pop programs that made a valuable impact on youth, hoping to work on funding for those very important programs. Phase 1 (6-1 months) - expand diversion which is already occurring, hoping to expedite and reduce detention hearings, expand community alternatives. Phase 2 (18 mos) - structural changes, program assessment, utilization, and funding practices, residential bespace. Hoping for no securing housing for girls because so very few girls are being held in custody. Phase 3 (24 months) - finding site and reimagining new practices, protocols and structures, and addressing racial equity. A big proposal was having well-being advocates who are people with lived experience to help youth and families navigate through this experience. San Francisco is one of very few cities who have discussed and considered closing down juvenile hall. They did not hear enough from people who are being funded through DCYF and other traditional sources, encouraging them to attend the BOS public comments so their voices are being heard.

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The youth's range of ages is a lot to consider when finding a space to accommodate all. Patti has not seen a 12 year old in custody in at least 2 years, but the law has changed in CA in the past 2 years where jurisdiction to charge a young person is at 12 years old. Juvenile hall doesn't want to hold babies that young. Quite concerned about TAY who are spending close to 1 year in custody on very serious charges. Whatever we create should be used for youth because they can benefit from programs that are youth who are being detained and will help in the rehabilitation process. The state closed DJJ youth prison commitments but it is still open until the end of June 2023, one of the facilities put out an RFP for a program who may want to run the program for youth who are in the locked facility. The state recognizes the importance of community groups in youth's lives. Is there a particular supervisor that might need to hear more from the community than others? All of the supervisors with the exception of 1, Catherine Stefani, voted to close down juvenile hall. If you have a connection to her, reach out to her office. We are not closing down juvenile hall, we are creating a more humane home-like setting for youth that need to be detained by order of the court. Public safety is a big concern and it is being addressed. When you look at the data, numbers have decreased from the 80s and 90s and juvenile hall was overcrowded. Gentrification and COVID attributed to arrest rates dropping by more than 50% and will stay down because of the good work in the community. Is it necessary for the housing to be inside San Francisco, how many youth currently incarcerated are from out of county and undocumented? At least 30% are from out of county who have been pushed out of the City then come back. The unaccompanied youth are not in juvenile hall, they are engaged in drug sales and there has been an agreement that these youth be released to CARC or emergency center through child welfare. DA & USF Law clinic partnership has helped provide wrapped services and secure housing for trafficked youth. SF will be a leader in the nation as the 1st large metropolitan area to take on this ordinance and provide humane outcomes for young people. Other jurisdictions have come to SF and sent requests to see how we went about the process. Is there a group that is evaluating the programs that are not working? There is no formalized evaluation or formalized criteria of programs. The community should not be fighting with each other, we are all working for the common good. What came out of the Programs Committee is that probation rarely made DCYF funded referrals.

◇ **AAACD Survey Data Share Out** (Community Building)

Presenter Info: Ericka Scott, Co-Director ericka@sfaacd.org

History: San Francisco city has dedicated a program for cultural districts, there are 8 currently in the city: Calle Veinticuatro, Japantown, 2 in Castro, Soma Pilipinas, Native Americans, and a few more. The African American Arts & Cultural District, which Ericka Co-Directs, is housed geographically in the Bayview. Goal is to preserve history and culture throughout the city and make sure they are inclusive of youth, youth advocates and youth voices.

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Services, Offerings & Updates: At the end of 2 years in each cultural district, there is a CHHESS report where they hear from community members, residents, families, business owners, individuals, church members and youth. The report is a legal document submitted to the BOS and Mayor's office, the legislation document highlights needs in the community. The mayor instituted a specific program to issue an alert saying the culture in SF was being lost due to gentrification and many other measures. The mayor & BOS took the survey seriously to allocate resources and funds, like the Dreamkeeper Initiative and closing juvenile hall. It's important to make sure our voices are heard in the CHHESS report. Funding comes from MOHCD who has helped draft a series of questions to ask the community. They are thinking of putting together a panel discussion and provide questions in advance. This will be approved legislation by the BOS to implement in various districts. It is important we voice our concerns together, especially the youth. They have been working across the board with other cultural districts, and have a collective voice in Bayview but also the support of other culture districts as it relates to our Black and Brown kids. Most representatives in other districts are facing the same issues, and those who are not are concerned with our issues. Ericka will be able to submit a more formalized process on sharing questions and getting feedback, so our voices and concerns will be in the final report.

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- ◇ BMAGIC Holiday Party - We will be having a small party (potluck or bring your own lunch style) in the BMAGIC office at 1275 Fairfax. Tuesday, December 21st from 12:30-2:30. Formal invitation & RSVP to come.
- ◇ BMAGIC 2022 Convener Meetings, Joint MAGIC Meets & Meetings - BMAGIC Convener meetings will stay virtual in 2022. We are working on collaborative opportunities with MoMagic and bringing back MAGIC Meets. The Meets are evening networking/social gathering events to patronize small businesses, and we are looking to expand with MoMagic and Eastern Addition providers. We are also working on combined MAGIC meetings, that will be hosted every other month on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 11am, and additional meetings as needed. If you have any Western Addition recommendations for hosting MAGIC Meets, let Lyslynn (lyslynn@bayviewmagic.org) or Brittany (brittany@momagic.org) know. We are also hoping to host an all MAGIC Retreat with all of our partners. If you're interested in scheduling a presentation for a BMAGIC Convener or joint MAGIC Meeting, contact Moira (moira@bayviewmagic.org).

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◇ **[General Announcements Flyer Sharing - Link to Folder](#):** Email Moira to share General Announcements: moira@bayviewmagic.org
- ◇ **San Francisco African American Faith Based Coalition Annual Feeding 5000 Event:** We need all hands on deck for this amazing vent to help those facing food insecurity in San

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Francisco on December 11th! There are 6 different shifts available for this all day event ranging from setting up, breaking down, and loading! [Volunteer Registration Link](#)

- ◇ **9' Pool Table:** Available for free, if interested contact lyslynn@bayviewmagic.org
- ◇ **Outward Bound - Ropes Course Jobs:** *Eli Fox, Outreach and Alumni Manager* - Outward Bound is hiring for multiple positions. [View job listings and apply here](#) Questions? Contact Eli - text is best (970) 412-6886 or email efox@obca.org. They are prioritizing people from the neighborhood for the positions, no experience needed for many positions but must be 21+. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis, not the 11/15 deadline.
- ◇ **Walk SF - World Day of Remembrance:** Sunday, November 21, 2021 from 3:00PM - 5:00PM on the eastern end of Civic Center Plaza (NOTE: we will not be on the steps of City Hall) World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is a global event honoring the millions of people hurt and killed in traffic crashes each year. The event also demands an end to these devastating and preventable tragedies. [Learn more and RSVP for World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims](#)
- ◇ **Pre-Apprenticeship Program:** For men & women interested in becoming an Electric Apprentice with Local 6, call Rashaida Nirobe at (510) 703-4068
- ◇ **Candlestick Point:** The parking lot is now open everyday from 8am-5pm, with bathrooms soon to follow. Currently the park can only be accessed through Gilman.
- ◇ **Location Needed:** Adrian Williams of the Village Project needs a location to live stream their Kwanzaa event. Contact Adrian Williams if you know of a place that's available (415) 424-2980 awilliamsassoc@yahoo.com

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- ◇ Happy holidays, enjoy your time off & stay safe! Thank you for sharing this space and being on this journey with us during the past year. We're hoping that next year will expand and heighten the sense of community we're building with all networks.

NEXT CONVENER MEETING

- ◇ Tuesday, December 21st, 2021 - Save the date: BMAGIC Holiday Party! Final details TBD
- ◇ If you are interested in presenting at a future Convener Meeting, [fill out this form](#).
- ◇ Visit our [Convener Meeting Webpage](#) to view the 2022 Schedule