Corbett Heights Neighbors Board of Directors
Wednesday, July 15, 2026
7:00 PM at CHASE BANK, corner 15th and Sanchez

Minutes:

Board Members Present: Maryann Dresner, Joey Accordino, Leslie Koelsch
Joined on Phone: Mark Ryser
Absent: Stephanie Henerlau
Guest: Jeana Williams

1. **Agenda** was adopted.

2. **Minutes** of previous meeting were adopted.

3. **Garden issues**:
    a. Sweetgum Corner.
        i. Jeana Williams is the new coordinator.
        ii. Jeana is speaking with Gennaro because of his reliability and cost-effectiveness. Board discussed possible options, including asking Chris Campbell to reduce the cost. (Jeana will do that after Mark provides the contact information for him.)
        iii. Sweetgum Cleanup is scheduled for July 25th. Jeana will speak with Mars residents to assist.
    b. Ord/Corbett Triangle: Leslie is investigating the water issue. Trees on the sidewalk had to be taken down, unfortunately. TBD if they'll be replaced.
    c. Corbett Slope: Discussion of LeAnne Smith's proposal to start a community garden there. Discussed potential issues of liability as the Slope is not a large, flat space. Leslie notes that we have insurance through IAM now. Ultimately the Board resolved to encourage LeAnne to "start small" and do some native planting around the Slope. We are not committing any resources to her efforts at this time.
    d. Al's Park: Davida wants us to reschedule the July 25th bark party. Discussion of bench repair and message to the City. Leslie will reach out to Carla Short at SF Public Works.
    e. Merritt/Danvers Park: Discussion of Andy Zivic decorating the park, for which he received Board approval.

4. Current **bank account** balance is $16,701.47. 109 members, down from a high of 147 members after the SF Parks Alliance dissolution. Discussion of potentially raising **membership dues**. We will table the discussion on raising dues until January.

5. We will include the link to CitySmart in future newsletters, summarizing Board of Supervisors meetings.

6. Regarding the **All-Members meeting**, Maryann will first ask Sophie to see if Rafael Mandelman is available on Nov. 9th or 16th. Once he confirms, Joe will reach out to the candidates to confirm that they're available that evening.

7. Brief discussion of **future speakers** (including author Maria Lenhart).

8. **Preservation in District 8** and how Rafael Mandelman terming out impacts that. Mark will write to the person who oversees expediting historic preservations for District 8 and cc Mandelman.

9. **17th & Ord Intersection** update. Maryann is pursuing the issue of making it safer. The latest news is that they'll apparently add more safety cushions to that area.

10. **188 Corbett**. Leslie shared information about this property, which is currently abandoned. Maryann encouraged Leslie to report it to 311.

11. Election discussion. The August 1st newsletter will remind the membership of the approaching election and deadlines.

12. Meeting officially adjourned at 8:22pm.