

Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association
Minutes of Board Meeting
July 8, 2026

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association was held on July 8, 2026 at 5:30 pm by videoconference.

1. **Quorum Call.** The following board members participated: Mary Jane Large – President, Marcy Albert – First Vice President, Philippe Sonne – Treasurer, Bill Hannan – Secretary, David Albert, Bob Harrer, and Lee Robbins. Members absent: Michele Hennessey – Second Vice President, Jim Seff and Diana Taylor. A quorum appearing, President Mary Jane Large called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.
2. **Minutes of the June Board Meeting.** On motion, the minutes of the June 15 board meeting were approved.
3. **Treasurer’s Report.** Treasurer Philippe Sonne presented a Treasurer’s Report. On motion, the Treasurer’s Report was approved. Philippe and Mary Jane will visit Diana Taylor to pick up the BCNA mailbox key and will add Mary Jane’s name to BCNA’s Bank of America signature records. The board postponed consideration of a \$250 contribution to the San Francisco Police Foundation, until the return of board member Jim Seff.
4. **Port of SF Coastal Resiliency Project.** Mary Jane advised that the Port awaits an interim report from the Army Corps of Engineers and is identifying locations where seawall work needs to be done most immediately, focusing on these areas: a) South Beach; b) from the Ferry Building south to Rincon Park; and c) from the Ferry Building north to Broadway. The Port is also exploring possible approaches to funding. Timing and funding remain undetermined.
5. **Embarcadero Plaza Renovation and Entertainment District.** Mary Jane reported that she has met with President Parli Brave and Vice President Alec Bash of the Gateway Tenants Association to coordinate a joint response to the proposed Entertainment District within Embarcadero Plaza and Sue Bierman Park. Both BCNA and GTA want the northern area including the playground, the dog park and the workout area to be excluded from the Entertainment District. BCNA and GTA have sent an email to Supervisor Sauter and property owner BXP requesting a meeting on this subject. Another cause for concern may be the reported “flattening” of Sue Bierman Park.
6. **BCNA Communications.** First Vice President Marcy Albert led a discussion of BCNA’s communications, including its website, membership list, MailChimp group emails, and Google Workspace. The board considered limiting the website content to basic BCNA information and important events. The membership list was described as being separate from but included in the MailChimp mass email list, which also includes nonmembers that BCNA wants to communicate with. Mary Jane asked Marcy to print out the MailChimp list for Bob Harrer to review, to propose deleting some old names and

adding some new ones. Marcy and Mary Jane discussed possible requests to homeowners' associations and property managers to allow BCNA to communicate with their members and residents. Mary Jane commented that all residents in the southern end of BCNA's territory should be concerned about the Resiliency Project. Philippe described the costs and benefits of various options for Google Workspace, and the training required.

7. **CSFN.** Lee Robbins described the history and current status of the umbrella organization Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, of which BCNA is a dues-paying member, and whose monthly meetings Lee attends as our representative. The consensus of the board was not to renew BCNA's annual membership when it expires.
8. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm. The next board meeting will be on August 12.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Hannan, Secretary