

March 13, 2009

Fourth Chinatown Business & Community Association Meeting

Attendees: Councilman Rod Tam, Council Exec. Assistant, Al Canopin Jr., Chu Lan Shubert-Kwock, Henry Lee, Gordon Au, Thomas Sum, Barbara Hao, Calvin Chee, Wally Lee, Officer Richard Fikani, Ernie Loo, Johnny Ng, Ross Lee, David Chang.

Absent: Manny Sanchez, Karl Kao, Joseph Young, Joe Leoni

The meeting was called to order by Chu Lan. The following joined our meeting:

- Barbara Hao, Calvin Chee, Wally Lee, Ross Lee, Johnny Ng, Officer Richard Fihani, Ernie Loo.

Chu Lan summarized the meeting and purpose of the CBCA of March 6, 2009 and several weeks ago.

Al Canopin Jr. confirmed that CBCA is registered with DCCA and that the Permit for our March and assembly on Kekaulike Mall will be finalized that afternoon.

Henry Lee and Thomas Sum to prepare Chinese and Vietnamese flyers.

Al Canopin Jr. to finalize media t attend our Press Conference.

Our mission is to represent the business owners, property owners, residents and community of Chinatown. "Protecting our Chinatown Community" to preserve the historical Chinatown, its multicultural heritage, to promote business growth and cultural diversity. To provide a voice, a sense of community for all who want to have better Chinatown, to improve communication and partnership with HPD, the City, the State and Federal agencies to bring about a safe and thriving Chinatown - to make Chinatown the pride and jewel of our State.

OUr major issues include:

- Crime & public safety
- Parking
- Lack of public restroom facilities
- Adverse effect of homelessness on business, residents and tourists

We would have the flyers ready for handout to bring more people to the march on 3-21-09. A slate of officers was elected/appointed (see letterhead) to get CBCA moving

Membership dues will be discussed after the march - \$25 to \$100 depending on size of business and shop space.

Monthly meeting with members, weekly meeting with BOD of CBCA.

Members to decide Monthly activities to attract people to Chinatown much like First Fridays.

Will approach City to build public restrooms and have a pay to use system so City is not burdened with the maintenance. Discussion was on self flushing and cleaning toilets in other major cities where they are coin-operated.

Discussion on getting back our parking stalls and also to request no more taking of our parking stalls.

Councilman Rod Tam will lead the way dealing with City and State.

Officer Richard Fidani updated us on police activities in Chinatown regarding sanitation. Barbara Hao (Eric Wong and Calvin Chee) explained the issues of Kekaulike Mall and how Eric has been handling the situation. They will volunteer to notify neighboring buildings to bring them to our march and future meetings.

Johnny Ng and Ross Lee will build our CBCA Website and manage that as well as be on the Video camera detail. Thomas Sum and Ross Lee will handle accounting issues, membership dues, etc. Henry Lee, Chu Lan & Thomas will field calls and direct them to appropriate agencies - in Chinese, Mandarin and Vietnamese as well as English.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. Next Meeting 3-19-09 Zippys Vineyard 9:00 a.m.

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