



Richmond-Zhoushan Friendship Commission Meeting

December 8, 2021

4pm via Zoom

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AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Roll
 - Present - Commissioners Eric Peterson, Bobby Winston, Stanley Li, Margaret Lee, Leonard Berry and Alexander Golovets. Staff Liaison Trina Jackson and Lucy Zhou
 - Absent - Joseph Kong

- II. Review and approve minutes from previous meeting(s).
 - *Motion by Chair Stanley Li and seconded by Vice Chair Margaret Lee to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously .*

- III. Treasurer's Report – *No change*
 - Commission raised funds - \$1,288.71
 - City allocated funds - \$1000.00

- IV. Receive Subcommittee Reports
 - *Economic Development – Commission would like CM Martinez to f/u with Jim Becker*
 - *No other reports*

- V. Update on Recognition of Jim Matzorkis – Stanley has revised the letter and would like to move forward by sending it to Councilmembers Johnson, Martinez and Bates to incorporate their input.

- *Stanley prefers a large sign on the entry recognizing Jim below the Point Potrero sign. Lucy - Need to be mindful of the height restrictions for the entry sign*
- *Bobby prefers the worker training program; it would be consistent with the programs that mattered to Jim and would be more long lasting to his memory. Stanley suggested incorporating the worker training program with the education and scholarship programs as a long-term initiative. Several educational programs could be placed under the education exchange*
- *Bobby – Suggested contacting RichmondBuild regarding the potential worker training program*
- *Trina reported that James Lee has granted approval for the committee to manage the website. Revisions and activation of the donation option is needed. Potential Fiscal sponsors include:*
 - *The Richmond Community Foundation. Ask CM Martinez to contact Jim Becker and to courtesy copy me. Follow up with a phone call.*
 - *The Friends of the Port of San Francisco, if needed. The 5-7% admin fee would be waived*

VI. Status of proposed Interactive Communication Program with the Zhoushan.

- Commissioner Peterson reported that Contra Costa College has been approached relative to a summer class for Mandarin language learning. Dr. Wei Li would be the instructor. Assignments will be to converse with Mandarin students to practice their speaking skills. Commission will need to confirm that international students can enroll and receive credit. The American students would get credit. This potential program would be a pilot program that would evolve into a fully accredited course. The longer-term program will take more time to coordinate.
- Other online educational programs include:
 - Toastmaster and Lyon's Club – Trained experienced Toastmaster speakers can assist with facilitating the classes. Margaret Lee is willing to run the

program and Peterson can recruit students and teachers to participate. Margaret has also recruited a webmaster to assist the commission

- Chair Li asked Lucy to coordinate and facilitate a call with Zhoushan to discuss the proposed programs. Trina will review the proposal letter and submit to council liaison for input. Once the letter is finalized, Zhoushan will be contacted to request a zoom meeting.

VII. Other matters of interest

- Discuss meeting schedule for 2022 calendar year and confirm the next meeting date. The commission prefers to keep the same regular meeting day and time– second Wednesday of the month at 4pm

VIII. Adjourn