Candidates so far get $316,493 in city funds

Kim top money-raiser among rivals for supertory

BY MARK HEDIN

MONEY, as they sang in “Cabaret,” makes the world go ‘round. Certainly, it’s so in politics, where the city of San Francisco has given more than $1 million to 22 candidates for the four Board of Supervisors seats up for grabs Nov. 2.

Of the 14 candidates vying for the District 6 seat, however, nearly half are feeding from the public trough. Nonetheless, it appears the pack — with the city’s help — may spend as much as three-quarters of a million just in the battle for Chris Daly’s office.

Jane Kim, Theresa Sparks, Jim Meko, Debra Walker, James Keys and Elaine Zamora have collected $316,493 in matching funds from the city — about a third of the total — approved by the Ethics Commission, for their respective campaigns. A seventh candidate, Matt Drake, was turned away by the Ethics Commission because he had not filed the necessary documents by the Aug. 2 deadline.

To qualify for that public money, the six candidates raised a total just north of $132,000. Disclosure documents filed with the Ethics Commission reveal approximately another $165,000 in those candidates’ war chests. Four other candidates, Drake, Nate Payne, Dean Clark and Glendon “Anna Conda” Hyde, report a total of almost $27,000 raised among them. Add to this that these disclosure documents, by and large, date back to June 30, well before the heat of the campaign, and that the latest figures are still being gathered.

The last hurrah for 2010

Sunday Streets finale in Tenderloin

BY TOM CARTER

Third time he has climbed a building under construction

It was perched on a ledge a few feet below the roof of the Eddy Street Apartments across from Boeddeker Park, sitting sideways, facing east, looking comfortable like he was taking in the view. A fireman from 3 feet above talked to him, reaching down to offer his hand as a way up to the roof and safety.

The street between Jones and Taylor was cordoned off. Tenderloin police Capt. Joe Garrity and a contingent of cops and firefighters were gathered near the Eddy-Jones intersection on one side of the cops’ yellow tape. A small crowd, including Rev. Cecil Williams, pastor of Glide Methodist Church, was on the other side.

The man got up there about 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 3. The TNDC-owned, seven-story building at 249 Eddy St. is under construction and has a huge gray curtain hanging across the front.

“He just walked right in and past the workmen and took the elevator to the top,” said Garrity.

Early on, people in Boeddeker Park jeered at him and some yelled for him to jump. But the man just sat, ignoring them as others tried to save him.

Jumping suicides are pretty rare. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says they comprise only 2% of suicides nationwide, based on records from 1999 to 2007.

Eighteen Fire Department personnel were on hand at varying hours. But a battalion chief, a lieutenant, a paramedic, an emergency medical technician and four others were there the longest, 7½ hours, right up until the man came down around 7 p.m. “He came down because he got cold,” said Garrity.

The Fire Department estimates the cost of staff time at $6,587. The personnel would have been working anyway, but on other duties. The standby ambulance is one of 18, ready daily.

It was the department’s 23rd response this year to jumpers and would-be jumpers in the city. That number, with three months to go in 2010, could reverse a three-year decline of these incidents. The department was called for 32 jumpers or would-be in 2007, dropping to 27 in ’08, and 25 last year. “It’s the third time he’s done it,” Garrity said of the man on the roof. “Once at U.C. Hastings garage about a year ago and once on Harrison Street about two years ago. He picks construction sites. He needs some follow-up.”

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“This tied up at least a dozen officers as it required blocking off traffic and posting off other areas,” Jimenez said in an email.

Garrity referred other questions to SFPD.
Twenty-five people attended the July Tenderloin FUTURES Collaborative meeting. That same month, on the other side of Market Street, the Collaborative’s counterpart SoMa Leadership Council met. Although the meeting was announced “a hiatus” that now appears permanent.

“There just aren’t enough activists in SoMa to go around,” Jim Meiko, Council founder and District 6 supervisorial candidate, told The Extra.

The collaborative, too, almost folded. Despite a full house at the August collaborative meeting, the temporary coordinator was stepping down with no replacement in sight to do the job. It was the responsibility of preparing agendas and sending out meeting notices.

Michael Nulty, neighborhood activist and president of Alliance for a Better District 6, had filled in for six months after TNDC’s Steven Woo left the voluntary position. Both cited too much of their illegal work to do this, too.

Fifteen people showed up for the Collaborative’s September meeting, but there were only two agenda items: Bay Drug, the proposed pharmacy at 281 Turk St., and a discussion of the collaborative’s future.

In August, the group had heard from Sharron Morgan, manager of three Tenderloin apartment buildings who is spearheading the opposition to the new drugstore. She came back in September and was part of the lively discussion with Mike Djordjevich, a CPA who, with pharmacists Gary Forst and Steve Whelan of Bay Drug. The two also own a pharmacy in Seattle that specializes, they say, in serving people with HIV/AIDS.

PILL CENTRAL

Djordjevich contends that the block of Turk Street between Jones and Leavenworth is already pill central for illegal drug sales, theft and liquor laws.

“Pharmacies, no matter how legitimate, can’t check for it, there was none,” she said. “It was a big issue when the permit was issued, it was denied mid-May. That’s illegal.”

Morgan thinks her appeal has a 50-50 chance of success. Djordjevich is confident the appeal of Bay Drug’s buildout is complete. If the appeal fails, the owners will immediately begin negotiating the building’s permits and prepare for opening early in 2011, Djordjevich said.

Collaborative Chair Glenda Hope closed the discussion and thanked Morgan and Djordjevich for their civility.

COLLABORATIVE HISTORY

“Do, so the community want this collaborative to continue?” she asked. “Should we hold a funeral for it? You’re going, too,” echoed Morgan. “Until recently, I didn’t even know that the collaborative existed.”

Djordjevich countered. “We’ll be responsible neighbors, open during regular work hours, with a guard outside. We’re hiring the best responsible neighbors, open during regular work hours. We’re hiring the best responsible neighbors.

The collaborative began meeting in September 2001, picking up some of the loose strings left when the Lower Eddy/Leavenworth Task Force disbanded. Formed in 1991 as a coalition of neighborhood, businesses, commun-ity organizations and the task force had been staffed by housing specialist Brad Paul and had an eminable budget — during its last two years it operat-ed with $1 million in grants from the Richard and Rhoda Goldman Fund and the city Hotel Tax Fund.

The collaborative should hang on. It did.

The idea was to give anyone interested a place to air or hear about broad-based, in-community, non-propos-
als for the Tenderloin — a new school at St. Boniface, condos in an old bathhouse, mental health services on the ground floor of an SUV, a communi-

The next collaborative meeting is Oct. 21, 11 a.m., Tenderloin Public Housing community room.

LEGACY OF THE COUNCIL

The 10-year-old SoMa Leadership Council also grew out of another organization, the SoMa-Parkside Collaborative, formed before SFMTA took over and other neighbors to fight noisy late-night enter-
tainment. To give the effort more gravitas, they formed the council.

Meko touts the council’s accomplishments while mourning its disappearance. “It encouraged peace between neighbors and nightclubs, influenced the supes’ decision to ban live/work units, and created the western SoMa planning process to preserve mixed-use.”

Meko said the informal structure with no elected leaders but held scheduled meetings — “good, regular conversations once a month,” Meko said, that encouraged people to get involved in the city’s zoning process and helped neighbors “avoid conflicts.”

When it closed shop, the council had 100 voting members and a mailing list of 1,000.

“Mexico, we might go back to coming together when there’s a crisis,” Meko added, but didn’t sound hope-
ful. “SoMa really needs something like it, just I just don’t have the time.”

When Meko began campaigning for supervisor, one of his ideas was to create another council. Brian Wallace, took over as communication liaison, but the work proved too demanding. No one else has stepped forward.

But the council has a legacy in the Western SoMa Citizens Planning Task Force. Created by a 2004 city resolution, its 22 appointed members, headed by Meko, meet weekly to shape their neigh-
borhood from the inside by drafting preservation policies, developing zoning guidelines, and gener-
ally advising the supes and the Planning Commission. It’s spent the last year reviewing building proposals and helping the neighborhood design standards it helped develop.
Meet the candidates — but not at forums

Traditional events tend to serve sponsors’ self-interest

BY TOM CARTER

The most common way voters meet District 6 candidates is at a candidates’ forum. But the candidates say most forums are poorly run, don’t give them enough time to make their points, and too often aim to serve only the sponsoring organization.

The ideal way to meet the candidates is one-on-one, by pounding the pavement, they say, or addressing a group of neighbors in somebody’s home. But with 43,000 voters in sprawling District 6, a forum is more practical, and it’s traditional. Even so, it’s unwieldy, especially this year; District 6 has 14 candidates. Most forums draw 20 to 100 people, though a few — including the Yerba Buena Art Forum on Aug. 17 — got around 200.

‘The Young Democrats on June 23 had a crowd of about 200 but many were from out of the neighborhood,’ says candidate Matthew Drake, who also ran in 2006, finishing third. ‘The forums are similar, but the big difference in this election is no incumbent — and people moving here to run.’

He raises a popular point, inferring carpet-bagging. Even so, all the candidates have lived more than a year in District 6. Theresa Sparks moved here in August 2009, and Jane Kim arrived in January 2009. Two others, Dean Clark and Elaine Zamora, became residents in 2007. Jim Meko has been here the longest, 55 years.

SoMa FORUMS MAINLY IN SOUTH BEACH

The 19 publicized forums held or planned from April 20 through Oct. 25 in District 6 split evenly between SoMa and the Tenderloin with seven each. April 20 through Oct. 23 in District 6 split evenly between SoMa and the Tenderloin with seven each.

Not all 14 candidates are invited to each of the forums. The Young Democrats sent 10 pages of questions moderator and Assemblywoman Fiona Ma had collected at the Sept. 20 forum in spacious Koret Auditorium, which seats 261. About 80 attended to hear Jane Kim, Jim Meko, Theresa Sparks and Debra Walker.

With Elaine Zamora absent because of a family emergency, it allowed more time for the others and more flexibility from Scott Shafer, KQED host and reporter, who moderated.

Not all candidates care about forums. George Davis parades around to discourage censorship and promote freedom of expression. The only forum he attended was Aug. 19 at a Mission Street Latin club, where he thought he had a crack at the endorsement. He didn’t get it and won’t attend any others, he says.

The well-oiled South Beach forum was a contrast to the sometimes long and often convoluted questions moderator and Assemblywoman Fiona Ma had collected at the Sept. 20 forum in spacious Koret Auditorium, sponsored by Mental Health Contractors Association and Human Service Services Network.

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Jim Meko

Housing is a right. The choices we make are integral of our well-being. Over the last 15 years, this city has been complicit in the displacement of those most vulnerable. My top priority must be transitional housing for those living on the streets. Residents of SRO buildings should not be excluded from priority for more dignified housing, too. I will only accept contributions from those who want to live in the city.

Elaine Zamora

Mid-Cal cuts for foot, eye and dental care. Public doctors according to Medicare force those on fixed incomes to spend money on medical treatment and medications they do not have access to. I will support legislation that will mandate Medicare and Medicare recipients for the podiatry, optometry and dental services. Mid-Cal pays for a wheelchair but not podiatry care, which could avoid amputations; this is not common sense; medical care is cost-effective. I would support increases for in-home health care services.

Glendon “Anna Conda” Hyde

My solution is to create micro loans that would provide the homeless and other working poor to buy into the housing that is being built. The Mid Market Corridor and other inland developments are perfect for this housing to be built. In the next 10 years, there should be room for a co-op grocery store that will hire these tenants to provide them with jobs they can use to invest in their stability and the ability to benefit directly from their efforts. This community investment housing will also provide green and child-friendly space.

Debra Walker

We must protect affordable rental housing within our rent control laws. Many buildings in these areas were built before 1979 and are covered by these protections. I support strong vacancy controls to keep these units affordable as they become vacant. Many affordable housing projects here are owned by nonprofit organizations, and I’m committed to protecting them. I helped get Proposition A on the November ballot, to provide grants and deferred loans to nonprofit affordable-housing developers to sensibly retro-fit their buildings. This will cover at least 36 residential hotels that provide housing for the city’s most-need population. I’m also promoting incentives to build new affordable-housing through partnerships between affordable-housing developers and market-housing developers. Additionally, I’m advocating adaptive reuse of underutilized office buildings (like the AAA building on Van Ness) into family housing, senior housing, supportive housing, group housing and cooperative housing. We can offer many more options for people on fixed incomes.

Matt Asher

Matt Asher on June 30 reported $5,569.99 in cash from donors, and $71,148 in matching funds. He did Sept. 23, Sparks reported raising a total of $110,030 raised — and $52,355 spent. The public financing, she reported a total of $50,000 to get elected to the Democratic party. There’s a final accounting a month after the election. There’s a deadline for reporting contributions and expenditures is Oct. 5, for the period through Sept. 30. Then on Oct. 21, reports on the period through Oct. 16 are due. There’s a final accounting a month after the election.

Meet the candidates

Dean Clark, the first to answer, said, “I think there’s a question and never did answer it.”

Still, with a barrage of questions over two hours, vital issues could shine on them, sometimes not. An original question perked up the candidates with a soft pitch to the strike zone. When Ma asked what, as the winning supervisor, would be her first piece of legislation, just about everyone learned forward to frame their pet topic.

Innovative forums are rare, and to Elaine Zamora, the Aug. 25 Bayanihan Filipino communitarian to and fro, the candidates know what their community needed. Then each candidate got three minutes to give his or her pitch, which most of the eight present said were good.

“But they told us what they wanted,” Zamora said. “It was a little different approach — and I learned. It was well done, a good format and I appreciated that.”

Meet the candidates

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City College Update
By Dr. Anita Griek

Since my election to Community College, I have focused on keeping higher education affordable and available to everyone. I have been an educator and administrator all of my life. I taught Special Education for twelve years, most currently at Denman Middle School. I am keeping my focus on these major issues that face CCSF:

- Implementing the San Francisco Sunshine Ordinance, specifically the documents element. As the college try plans to go to the voters for another Bond, I am concerned that the general public has lost faith in the leadership of the Administration and the Board of Trustees. We need to demonstrate that we are willing to change the way we do business, and the best way to do that is by adopting the voter initiated Sunshine laws that drive the City’s meeting and record procedures.

- Better program integration with high schools to prepare students for college. I’ll continue to focus on keeping higher education affordable and available to everyone. I have always worked to increase funding and lower tuition. I support remedial programs, but believe students spend more time in those courses than it necessary. We need to do a better job of raising their basic academic skills before they come to college level classes.

- Tuition Free College Classes. I’ll continue the cooperative ground work I’ve begun within the educator communities of the State and federal levels to accomplish a seamless student matriculation, and shared classrooms and faculty.

Of course there are other major issues that confront the Board. The College should set the example for business and residents in energy efficient lighting systems, high efficiency heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, computerized energy management control systems, boiler efficiency improvements, energy recovery systems and building shell improvements. CCSF Planning must put Green Building at the top of the list for developments it proposes for both housing and business.

Our transportation improvements must be driven by the same principles.

We also have a role in neighborhood planning around our campuses. The most common import from neighbors involves “broadhead youth” and that is unfortunate. As a 30-year veteran of some of the toughest high schools in the City, I have dealt with the bad apples and I know when a little tough love is effective and when more drastic measures are needed to turn around young foxes. I have served as Program Administrator of Special Education at several of our problem sites. The newly dedicated Multi-Use building on the main campus is a LEEDS silver green building and was developed through community cooperation that is a model for future endeavors.

Though my focus has been academic and much of my life has been devoted to equality, diversity, ADA compliance and special education for learning disabled students, being my concern as a professional, I care about the future. I think about my high school and college students and I wonder where they will live once they leave their parents and how they will live in a world that has so little to offer in terms of a security. As San Franciscans, these problems continually face us.

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Ballot Measure Forum, Tue., Oct. 12, 6-8 p.m., 230 Eddy St. Community Room, Presented by League of Women Voters and S.F. Elections Department, and sponsored by Alliance for a Better District 6, Central City SRO Collaborative, Community Housing Partnership, Tenant Associations Coalition of San Francisco and affiliates, and 720C. Info: 820-1560.

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St. Boniface Organ Concerts, Thursdays, 133 Golden Gate Ave., 1-1:30. Garrett Collins plays operatic transcriptions on the historic 1876 Benson & Sanssouci Austin pipe organ. Donation at the door benefits the organ fund.

2 BLOCKS OF ART, 6th Street between Market and Howard, Fri., Oct. 8, 4-8 p.m. Urban Solutions-hosted exhibition of 15 local artists in galleries, restaurants, hotels, public spaces and businesses. Eating and drinking establishments along the way offer discounts to complement the event, held in conjunction with Central Market Arts Festival’s “24 Days of Art.” Sept. 24-Oct. 17. Info: centralmarketarts.org or 553-4433 x115.


Bionear 2010 Moving Image Festival, Main Library, Sat., Oct. 9, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Free screenings of documentaries on environmental and social issues followed by discussions with filmmakers; part of Bionear 2010 conference in San Rafael. Info: bionears.org/conference/2010-moving-image-festival/and-bay-area-screenings.

COMMUNITY: REGULAR SCHEDULE

HOUSING

Supportive Housing Network, 3rd Thursday of the month, 3-5 p.m., Dorothy Day Community, 54 McAllister. Call: 421-2926 x304. Tenant Associations Coalition of San Francisco, 1st Wednesday of the month, noon, 230 Turk St., Community Room. Contact Michael Nulty, 339-8327. Resident unity, leadership training.

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH

CBHS Consumer Council, 3rd Thursday of the month, 5-7 p.m., CBHS, 1360 Howard St., room 537. Call: 255-3995. Advisory group of consumers from self-help organizations and other mental health consumer advocates. Open to the public.

Health & Wellness Action Advocates, 1st Tuesday of the month, 5-7 p.m., Mental Health Association, 870 Market St., Suite 928. 421-2926 x306.

Healthcare Action Team, 2nd Wednesday of the month, 1010 Mission St., Bayerish Community Center, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Focus on increasing supportive home and community-based services, expanded eligibility for home care and improved discharge planning. Light lunch served. Call James Chinoini, 703-0188 x304.

Hoarders and Clutterers Support Group, Mental Health Association, 870 Market, Suite 928. Call for dates and times: 421-2926 x506.

Mental Health Board, 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30-8:30 p.m., City Hall, room 278. CBHS advisory committee, open to the public. Call: 255-3474.

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill-S.F., 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Family Service Agency, 1010 Gough St., 5th Fl. Call: 905-6264. Family member group, open to the public.

SAFETY

Neighborhood Emergency Response Team Training (NERT), Central city residents can take the S.F. Fire Department’s free Neighborhood Emergency Response Team Training (NERT). Info: centralmarketarts.org or 553-4433 x115.


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SOMA Community Stabilization Fund Community Advisory Committee meets 3rd Thursday of the month, 5:30 p.m., 1 South Van Ness, 2nd floor atrium. Info: Claudine del Rosario 749-2519.

South of Market Project Area Committee, 3rd Monday of the month, 6 p.m., 1035 Folsom St. Health, Safety and Human Services Committee meets monthly on the 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday, 1035 Folsom St., noon. Information: 487-2166 or www.sompac.com.

Tenderloin Futures Collaborative, 3rd Wednesday of the month, 11 a.m.-noon. Tenderloin Police community room, 301 Eddy. Presentations on issues of interest to neighborhood residents, nonprofits and businesses. Information: 487-3099.

Tenderloin Neighborhood Association, 2nd Friday of the month, 842 Geary St., 5 p.m. Nonprofit focuses on health and wellness activities to promote neighborly interactions. Info: tenderloin-neighborhood@yahoo.com.

SENIORS AND DISABLED

Mayor’s Disability Council, 3rd Friday of the month, 1-3 p.m., City Hall, room 400. Call: 554-6179. Open to the public.

Senior Action Network, general meeting, 2nd Thursday of the month, 9 a.m.-noon, Universal Unitarian Church, 1147 Franklin St. Monthly programs, 965 Mission St. #700; Senior Housing Action Committee, third Wednesday, 1:30. Call for info on health program and Senior University: 546-1333 and www.shan.org.

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