



By Phil Faroudja

ELECTION REFLECTIONS: You may have heard there is an election coming up. We are especially concerned about Proposition H. The Proposition seeks to make it easier for businesses to get started, but there are worrisome elements. It would bypass rules set up by local commercial use districts, such as what kind of alcoholic beverages can be served during which hours. It would expedite the permitting process by eliminating the permitting process. And incredibly, public notification of permits would no longer be required ... The net effect would be to reduce neighborhood input. However, we believe locals *should* have a say in what is being done in their area; after all, they have to live with it. Many of us throughout the city, have worked hard to have interesting commercial neighborhoods amenable to both residents and merchants. Let's hope Proposition H will not pass ... I counted eleven total Propositions in my voter pamphlet. If you add numerous state proposals, and then candidates it is over 40 items to consider. Like everybody, I research before voting, and it takes hours. Perhaps the city can consider limiting Propositions to 3 or 4. They can maybe write a Proposition about it.

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LUKE'S GROCERY TO LAUNCH: We are excited to announce Luke's Local Grocery will open November 10. The building is near the Union and Fillmore corner and has been beautifully repainted. The interior gleams and is nearly complete ... When Real Food closed, your GGVNA worked to find a replacement. We spoke at length to Bi-Rite and Gus's Market but in the end, they

couldn't commit ... So we really want to thank Supervisor Stefani. We nagged her about a new grocery and she collaborated with the Office of Economic and Workforce Development to find a space. Luke's was her idea; Supervisor Stefani was proactive and made it all happen ... Luke's carries high quality food; it is beautifully curated and sells no sodas. You'll see what I mean ... There will be a grand opening ceremony, and everybody is invited. See you there!

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"School is open, but the state says it can't be, but Trump says it can."

ATTACK OF THE GIANT DRIVE-IN MOVIE: If you are looking to get out of the house, well, there are some fun drive-in movies at Fort Mason: <https://fortmason.org/event/flix/> ... On the subject of cinema I have been catching up on my film noir DVDs. 1946's "Double Indemnity," with Barbara Stanwyck and Fred MacMurray, is terrific, as is "Crime of Passion" featuring Stanwyck and Raymond Burr. The latter is filmed in 1950s San Francisco, as is noir "Impact" starring Brian Donlevy and Ella Raines. That movie begins on Nob Hill, and also has scenes in very recognizable downtown Sausalito. It's part of a motion picture sub-genre known as "Sausalito Noir" ... But our next monthly meeting will be right here in Golden Gate Valley, so join our Zoom call Wednesday, November 18 at 7 pm. Stay healthy, everyone!

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