Join the Kensington Property Owners Association (KPOA) Providing Analysis and Community Engagement on Kensington Issues

The KPOA has been a trusted, independent voice in the community since 1972. We provide critical analysis and insight on a range of civic issues that directly affect all Kensington citizens. We invite you to support KPOA's efforts to improve public policy discussions and decision making in Kensington by joining KPOA or renewing your membership.

Read about some of our actions from our 2023 Annual Meeting to the present to improve Kensington life and governance. **Then Renew or Join! A Supporting Membership is only \$10!**

Thanks to the support of our members, here is how KPOA contributed to the community in the past year:

- Continued engagement with the Kensington Districts' Board of Directors to review and evaluate the need for district unification/consolidation in order to improve coordination, financial condition and professional staff retention.
- Participated with County Supervisor John Gioia's tree obstruction view ordinance working group to develop new regulations that promote cooperation in addressing neighborhood tree view blockage.
- Provided specific mitigation measures to KPPCSD regarding the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan including restricted parking on red flag days, access to County heavy equipment operators, and evacuation drills.
- Recommended actions to the KPPCSD as they consider conducting reviews of garbage rates and franchise fees charged by Bayview Recycling and Refuse Service.
- We created a website for KPOA which includes information on issues as well as an updated directory of local organizations, our elected officials and the principal agencies that serve, Kensington for easy reference for residents.
- Hosted the annual 2023 KPOA membership meeting with speakers including our new fire chief, the police chief, district general managers and our county supervisor on current issues in Kensington.
- Assisted property owners with referrals to agencies and resources to address their issues related to power lines, road conditions, and tree obstruction, among other issues.

KPOA's board brings together volunteer and professional resources. KPOA Board of Directors are: Candy Capogrossi, Gail Feldman, Rob Firmin, Jennifer Jacobs

Our membership form and survey of member priorities is on the back of this page.

Kensington has benefited from the solid analysis and informed debate that KPOA has provided our community for fifty years. The annual dues and generous contributions of KPOA members support this important work and the independent voice of the KPOA. To ensure that this work continues, please renew your commitment to Kensington's future with a \$10 per household membership in KPOA. If you are a new homeowner, "Welcome!" We hope you will join us in working to help Kensington make fiscally prudent and with sustainable policy moving forward.

KPOA Membership Form

KPOA membership. We strongly encourage you to join or renew on our website www.kpoa.net or fill out this form. Name Address_____ Phone ___ email* Including your email address will enable KPOA to inform you periodically of critical issues during the year. Your information will not be shared or used for commercial use. 2024 Membership dues......\$10 Additional Contribution* Total..... Please make your payment with a credit card through Pay Pal on our website www.KPOA.net or mail a check to: KPOA, P.O. Box 7271, Berkeley, CA 94707 (envelope enclosed) *KPOA is a 501c4 organization registered with the State of California. As a membership organization, contributions under I.R.S. rules are not tax deductible. All KPOA efforts are supported through dues and contributions that are used for funding projects and enhancing our ability to provide timely assessments of local issues important to you. You may combine your dues and contributions into one sum. **VOTE: ELECTION OF KPOA DIRECTORS** – term is for 2 years (Check box for vote) Rob Firmin, Gail Feldman, Candy Capogrossi, Jennifer Jacobs **Survey of Community Priorities** Our annual survey of community priorities helps to shape the work of KPOA. Please take a moment to tell us what you believe are the THREE most important local issues facing Kensington over the next twelve months: Evaluating the status and future of KPPCSD and KFPD finances Siting a police headquarters within Kensington's borders Police availability and response in Kensington from temporary El Cerrito location Consolidating the boards and administration of KPPCSD and the Fire District into one government Fire safety measures including a disaster evacuation plan and drills Reduction of AC Transit Service and elimination of parking spaces at El Cerrito Plaza BART Establishing additional Firewise communities throughout Kensington ADU regulations and other housing development Road resurfacing improvements and maintenance Kensington's garbage and recycling rates Kensington Community Service District acquisition of Kensington Paths Tree View Obstructions on neighboring properties and the need for ordinance changes Other:

YES! I am a Kensington property owner and want to join or renew our household's