

# UCSF NEIGHBORS

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Dear Barbara,

Members of the Parnassus community recently received a notice of a community meeting from UCSF staffer Christine Gasparac regarding the demolition and landscaping of the 347 Parnassus property a mere two weeks away. Since we came to an agreement last year about ensuring a thirty day notice of all community and community advisory group meetings, we have heard very few complaints from neighbors in the Inner Sunset about not being able to make because there has always been sufficient time. (One exception to this is the meeting on Sep. 19, 2012 that your staff announced five days prior, which drew a City Supervisor's staffer to the meeting to voice her complaint on our behalf.)

**This policy of 30 days notice has been a bright spot on an otherwise tense relationship between UCSF and its Inner Sunset neighbors. I often point to it as a sign that UCSF can be depended upon to negotiate in good faith. Which is why I find it so puzzling that you approved a community meeting with too short a notice to allow all interested neighbors to attend, and to honor your word to the neighborhood about community meeting notices.**

As you know, there are no exceptions to the policy for "local neighbors" of the project, nor for new UCSF consultants who aren't familiar with UCSF's current agreements with the neighbors.

We ask you now to reschedule the community meeting for late August, and cancel the meeting scheduled for July 31, 2013. Simply scheduling an additional meeting will destroy the chance for the neighborhood to engage in discussion about the landscaping of the site.

If you want to be known as someone who honors her agreements, rescheduling the meeting is the right thing to do.



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