



## PARK BEAT

*The Pulse of Greater Boulevard Park*

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Boulevard Park Neighborhood Association # Box 163179, Sacramento 95816 # May 2019

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### HDP Plans Project: Updates and May Meetings

A public draft of the Historic District Plans and proposed guidelines is now available for public review on the project website ([www.cityofsacramento.org/HDP](http://www.cityofsacramento.org/HDP)). On this website, residents can use the interactive map to see how the the plan's adoption may affect their property's historic status. A public workshop and two public meetings are scheduled in May:

- **May 15 (5:30 p.m.):** Preservation Commission Review and Comment, New City Hall
- **May 22 (5 p.m.):** Public workshop at AIACV Gallery, 1400 S Street
- **May 23 (5:30 p.m.):** Planning and Design Commission Review and Comment, New City Hall



### A Snapshot of Sacramento in May 1911

Almost every page of this illustrated brochure from over a century ago, now available on the website of the Center for Sacramento History ([https://www.sacramentohistory.org/admin/photo/777\\_1562.pdf](https://www.sacramentohistory.org/admin/photo/777_1562.pdf)), ends with a positive statement about Sacramento. These include: "Beautiful Streets and Shrubbery," "The Most Healthful Spot the Sun Ever Shone On," "Immense Manufacturing Industries," "Perfect Sanitary System," & "No Snow, Blizzards, Cyclones, or Sultry Nights."

### A Brief Report from the BPNA Board

At its monthly meeting on April 2, the BPNA Board hosted two guests: Sloan Morgan, representing GIG Car Share (a division of AAA), and Sparky Harris, principal planner for the City of Sacramento. They told Board members about the City's efforts to provide residents with yet another alternative means of transportation. Sacramento city officials are hoping to reduce automobile traffic congestion by offering other convenient modes of transportation, including improved bus and light rail service, JUMP bicycles, JUMP scooters, and now GIG Car Share. GIG offers a "free-floating" service, using Chevy Bolt all-electric cars that may be picked up and dropped off throughout a 13-square mile area covering the Central City and several neighborhoods to the south and east (called a "Home Zone"). The affordable rental fee includes insurance, parking fees, and battery charging. Efforts are also underway to extend the service into low-income neighborhoods. For more information about the GIG Car Share program, see the Sacramento City Express (<https://sacramentocityexpress.com/2019/03/08/sacramentos-first-all-electric-car-share-fleet-now-available-to-all-sacramento-residents/>).

Anticipated changes in City policies about recycling were next on the agenda. Unfortunately, the demand for some formerly recyclable items has declined. However, beverage containers and clean cardboard belong in our recycle bins because they are still valuable in today's economy (watch for updates on the City website: <https://www.cityofsacramento.org/Public-Works/RSW/Collection-Services/Recycling>). Board members also continued their discussion of the marijuana cultivation and distribution business proposed for 20th and "E" Streets. As explained in the article on the first page of the April issue of *Park Beat*, Board members believe that this kind of industry belongs elsewhere, not inside a residential district.