

NORTHEAST AREA C-PAB MEETING MINUTES

Monday September 28, 2009

Glassell Park Community/Senior Center

Northeast Community Police Station Personnel:

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| Captain: William Murphy | CRO Unit: Sgt Danny Roman & Officer Marco Briones |
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Board Members:

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| Cheri Uno | Co-Chair | Mt Washington | Bradley | Asst Co-Chair | Glassell Park |
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| Rosa Rivas | Member | Garvanza/HP | Maggie Lopez | Member | Glassell Park |
| Diana Silva | Member | Highland Park | Alan Berta | Member | Mt Washington |
| Everett Littlefield | Member | Silver Lake | | | |

Guests:

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| Daniel Andalon | David Cons | Suzanne Jimenez | Angeles Mojica |
| Isaiah Andalon | Arlene Cordova | Mary Littlefield | Liz Sanguinetti |
| Alicia Avalos | Lois Eder | Maggie Lopez | David Solis |
| David Bain | Glen Eder | Richard Marques | Kelci Verdugo |
| James Bond | Laura Gutierrez | Jessie Medina | Robert Yoneda |

I Meeting called to order **1800**

II Introduction of Guests **III Acceptance of Minutes:** Minutes approved

IV Captain William Murphy:

- ? **CompStats:** We rank no. 1 in crime reductions. Violent crime is down 13%; Property crime is down 16.4%. Overall crime or Pt 1 crime is down 15.8%; tops in the city. I am most proud that homicides are down 52.2%. Last year: at 23 homicides; this year 11, leading the city in homicide reduction.
- ? **Incidents:** Last Tuesday we conducted the biggest gang take down in the history of LAPD in the City of Los Angeles. After the previous one, Drew Street about 16 months ago, we never stopped that investigation. 1300 law enforcement officers were brought in from all over Southern California, 100's of SWAT officers. We hit simultaneously. 48 locations in North East, Pasadena, South Pasadena etc. We hit them all at the same time and arrested 45 out of the 55 targets that we had. No one was injured.
- ? Over the next month, we will be involved in **Dodger action.**
- ? **North East Open House: 10am-3pm, Sat, October 17th.** Some job resource booths, health tables, free food, jumper tents, static display, tour of police station etc. Thanks to the Mayor's office and all of the city council offices who contributed to this event. There will be an **Open House Co-ordination Meeting** Thursday, October 1st at 5pm; Glassell Park Senior Center. See Sgt Danny Roman re Entertainment.
- ? **Fund Raiser for PAL/Jeopardy Programs: Cigar Night Fund Raiser, October 8th,** Thursday Evening, Home Restaurant, Fletcher & Riverside Drive: free cigars, drinks and a raffle. Target donated \$2000. This is to raise money to insure kids on field trips from the Police Station. See Sgt Danny Roman for tickets.
- ? **Budget Deficit City of Los Angeles: \$4-500,000,000.** They have come to an agreement with the collations of the Civilian Unions with furloughs, early retirements and increases to their pension contributions. Now, they are in negotiations with the sworn side. Currently, I don't know the outcome of this. But, it is very possible that sworn could face furloughs and possible layoffs; stop hiring etc. Maybe it's on the table, but the amount of the deficit grows by a million a day according to the newspaper. I will keep you up to date. We want you to know that no matter what happens, we will always work hard for you.
- ? There is also talk of **20-40,000 prisoners** being released from prison.
- ? There will be **decriminalizing several stolen car categories.** Stolen cars may be like getting a red light ticket in the future. The outcome is still not firm. We will continue to work hard for you with this, as auto related crime is still a big issue in North East; auto break-ins and stolen cars. I will keep you up to date.
- ? Tomorrow morning, Sept 2^{9th}, Bradley, Cheri and myself are presenting to the **Police Commission** a summary of CPAB and our accomplishments, the initiatives, etc. We will probably be on Ch 35.
- ? **North East Station** to be upgraded, several million dollars have been set aside to do this. The Bomb Squad Building will be torn down. Trailers will be placed there ; upgrades will probably take about a year to complete. A much needed and long overdue new phone system will be established. Heating & air conditioning, restrooms will be refurbished.
- ? **GRYD Program** – Summer Night Lights is a great program; looking to see if it can be expanded further to Highland Park as it is such a great help.

V CPAB Initiatives:

- ? **Trash Bin Capering: Diana Silva:** Located stickers from the City which are to be placed on blue recycling can which advises people that going into the bins is illegal. Further, researching why these are not on the actual bins. This is an educational issue to the community in that this is illegal and strangers should not be getting in the trash cans. There has been sightings of people going from the blue, black trash cans

and into mail boxes which bring up the issue of trespassing and identity theft. In addition, stranger vehicles drive up into neighborhood and go through trash barrels and mailboxes.

- ? **Graffiti Initiative TAGRS: Bradley:** Commitments from Bureau of Engineering, Public Works Dept pending re funding; contributions are welcome. Officer Marco Briones is point person for this project and will be working with another officer in this capacity.
- ? **Auto Safety Initiative Cheri Uno:** "Citation-like tickets" containing safety admonishments distributed by Explorers & CROs to areas already established to be high-in-auto-crime areas as established by "Crime Reduction Operation" center. Our goal to get the community more involved in crime prevention. We are really getting a good response.
- ? **Surveillance Cameras Initiative: Alan Berta:** Working on upcoming larger Seminar which will include more groups of people, i.e. retailers, apt owners, homeowner; a larger venue which will probably be available in a couple of months. Features are being added to these outdoor cameras for longer footage storage and to make them more user friendly for the officers.

VI Daniel Andalon; Mayor's Office:

- ? **New Gang Reduction and Youth Development Director, Guillermo Cespedes; and New Deputy Mayor for Homeland Security and Public Safety, Ms. Eileen Decker.**
- ? **Opening of New LAPD Regional Crime Center Facility:** RACER will be accommodating the LAPD in emergency. Funded through prop Q funds approved in 2002. Opening on Oct 24, Sat. Fliers to be sent out.
- ? **Discount card for prescription drugs** for anyone; 5-40% on Prescription Drugs; open to all individuals in Los Angeles.

VII Community Relations Unit – Sgt Danny Roman:

- ? **SLO's** are now working 4 days of patrol per month; average 1 day a week. We still haven't replaced our SLO opening because of the budget cuts and freeze. We have Officers Fernando Ochoa and Leo Rey, acting SLO's, working their basic cars. SLO Mark Allen is off for another month on bonding leave as his wife had a baby. SLO Craig Orange is back this week on restricted duty after sustaining an on the job injury. He will be working on the Musical Festival at Colorado Blvd. We are almost back to par. We can only keep a police officer in an interim SLO position for 5 months, at which time we have to pull he/she out and replace with that person for 5 months. We have to keep doing this until January/February 2010 when the freeze is lifted; we can then promote someone. At that point , we have a process where we have to advertise for a month, a background check done; that will probably be February – March 2010 that someone is expected to fill that position.
- ? **Open House, Saturday, Oct 17:** Meeting this coming Thursday at 5pm, Oct 5 at the GP Sr Center to finalize items. Open House is coming along well. Free food, entertainment, booths –all is coming along well. Explorers will be doing a Drill Team demonstration which they recently won first place in a competition. Tours of station by Reserve Officers. We are looking for donations for the raffle.

VIII Alicia Alvalos, GRYD:

- ? Thank you North East for their participation in the **Summer Night Lights Program**. We had 2 sites: Glassell Park & Cypress Park. Collaboration at North East, we would like to use as a model throughout the city. Officer Aragon did a workshop with youth which was well received. Dodger tickets donated by the station.
- ? Presentation of **Certificate of Appreciation** to the Captain.

IX David Cons – Next month coming up with be the introduction of a GRYD Advisory Board Group

Purpose: For the Community to get updated information regarding GRYD Service Providers in the area: 3 –Non GRYD in the Highland Park Hathaway Family Resource Center; Aztecs Rising and Children's Hospital. There will be fliers out soon.

X Suzanne Jimenez CD1:

- ? A new **Senior Club** will be started in Cypress Park. We are currently working on the Senior Center in Cypress Park on Pepper which is the former Library Site. The Club will be started at El Rio De Los Angeles Park prior to the Senior Center and once it's up and running, the Club will be moved over there. Next Tuesday there will be a Grand Opening Celebration.
- ? **Health and Fitness Fair** this Saturday: free medical and dental screening, checking for diabetes, etc. Providers such as Kaiser, USC will be brought in.

XI Meetings for next year will be held in the North East Station and the Community: It will be 2 meetings at the station and then a meeting out in the community; further, there will be a meeting held at the new LAPD Facility downtown. Fliers are upcoming.

XII Next Meeting:

Monday, October 26, 2009
Los Feliz Community Police Center (Above Citibank Financial)
1965 North Hillhurst Avenue 2nd Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90027

Refreshments: Drinks: Snacks:

XIII Meeting Adjourned: