



MINUTES
OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE
Wednesday March 9, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall
Hillside Conference Room –second floor
10890 San Pablo Avenue

Chair M. Takimoto called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Roll Call

Members in Attendance: Marty Takimoto, Catherine Krueger, Nick Arzio, Eugene Go, and Bruce Yow; Linda Jolivet arrived at 7:30 PM.

Member not in Attendance: Mollie Hazen

City Council/Staff in Attendance: Acting Chief Keith, Cpl Elder & Det. Jacala

Guests/Members of the Public: Mr. Gregory Gregory II

1. Approval of Minutes:

Moved and carried (Arzio) to adopt the February 10, 2016, meeting minutes as amended.

Aye: Unanimous

Nay: None

Abstentions: n/a

2. Council / Staff Liaison Reports:

-- Acting Chief Keith discussed the Human Relations Commission (HRC) meeting held on 3/8/16 related to the arson incident on Arlington Blvd which was classified as a hate crime. He advised the committee regarding the evidence analysis that was in process at the crime laboratory and the department has used the crime stoppers to reach out to the public for information.

--The committee was advised that the commission and NAACP are in their planning stages for an event focused in promoting diversity. Chair Takimoto will reach out to the commission if CPC can take part in the event.

--Cpl Elder was introduced to the committee as the permanent liaison beginning 03/22/16. Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) was discussed.

--Det. Jacala advised the committee related to the donation received from Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign. The panel inquired about the method used in tracking incoming donations and the panel will identify a project where the donations can be spent. Nick Arzio will draft a thank-you letter to Wells Fargo for their donation which will be forwarded to LT De La Campa through Cpl. Elder.

3. Comments from the Public:

--Mr. Gregory II inquired about Neighborhood Watch program and was advised on its principles and the means to coordinate it within his community. The street lighting and security cameras within his neighborhood were also addressed.

--The committee discussed that additional light posts are needed to illuminate Arlington Blvd & Public Works will be contacted to check if the aforementioned is feasible.

4. Discussion of Crime Prevention Committee Activities:

- (a) As related to Mr. Gregory II's queries related to Neighborhood Watch coordination, the committee members suggested locations where to hold the meetings.
- (b) Draft of the letter was forwarded to Acting Chief Keith.
- (c) Benchmark Survey Questions were discussed. The survey's final form was amended and completed (Krueger/Go moved/unanimous) & its distribution was discussed; Chair Takimoto will contact LT De La Campa if it can be published through "Next Door." Additionally, once the survey is approved to be published, Krueger will have the survey available in paper copy; she and Jolivet volunteered to collect completed surveys.
- (d) Crime prevention event will be held on 6/25/16 from 10-3 PM at the community center on Moeser Lane.
- (e) Illegal Dumping data: continued to April meeting.

5. Membership:

Nothing to report.

6. Communication Report (Including Neighborhood Watch / Home Security Report):

Nothing to report.

7. Adjournment:

Moved and carried (Arzio/Go); adjourned at 8:38 PM. Unanimous.