



MINUTES
OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE
Wednesday, April 11th, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall
Hillside Conference Room –second floor
10890 San Pablo Avenue

1. Call to Order:

Committee member Marty Takimoto called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call:

Members in Attendance: Marty Takimoto, Eugene Go, Rosa Esquivel, Bruce Yow and Jim Dolgonas.

Member not in Attendance: Mollie Hazen

City Council/Staff in Attendance: Detective Sergeant Ian Wong

Guests/Members of the Public: Cordell Hindler, Christian Thiel, and Elena Hoefl.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Moved and carried (Go/Dolgonas) to adopt the March 14th, 2018 meeting minutes pending the correction of the word “phone” to “home” under item number 4.

Aye: Go and Dolgonas

Nay: None

Abstentions: Yow

4. Council / Staff Liaison Reports:

Sgt. Wong spoke about the Barks and Bells event which is scheduled for May12th at the El Cerrito Plaza from 1000-1500 hours. Sgt. Wong provided information about the arrest of a suspect who was responsible for numerous residential burglaries where staging furniture was stolen. The committee was also informed about the upcoming Commissioners Dinner at Los Moles on May 31st, at 1800 hours. Sergeant Wong updated the CPC about the Pizza with the Police at Mountain Mikes and that preparations have begun for National Night Out.

5. Comments from the Public:

Cordell Hindler spoke with the committee about involving high school students with the Crime Prevention Committee. Mr. Hindler also brought up the idea of the CPC having more visibility on social media platforms to increase involvement. Committee member Esquivel expressed an interest in self-defense classes for women and high school children.

6. Discussion of Crime Prevention Committee Activities:

- a) Neighborhood Watch Program Development Subcommittee (Hazen/Takimoto/Esquivel/Dolgonas)
 - Takimoto stated the Neighborhood Watch Committee met and created a new pamphlet to be distributed in the near future. The flier will be finalized within the next month and then presented to the CPC at the next meeting.
- b) Select Crime Prevention Committee Chair and Vice-Chair for 2018-2019
 - Takimoto introduced Yow as being Vice-Chair to which he accepted. Yow's nomination was confirmed by a motion from Go and a second by Dolgonas.
- c) Crime Prevention Committee Earth Day Work Party – Saturday, April 21st
 - CPC member Go will be arranging an Earth Day work party at the pathway between Blake Street and Manor Circle.
- d) Crime Prevention Committee Work Plan
 - Takimoto discussed completing a work plan for the CPC and identifying three main goals to focus on for the year.

7. Membership:

Elena Hoeft introduced herself as a resident of the El Cerrito community and a potential future CPC member (2nd meeting).

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

Sergeant Wong indicated that there were no new messages or email for the Crime Prevention Committee.

9. Announcements:

The Barks & Bells event is taking place on May 12th between the hours of 10am and 3pm in the parking lot of the El Cerrito Plaza shopping center. Sergeant Wong also discussed the implementation of the department's new body worn camera. The body worn camera policy and deployment was discussed at length.

10. Future Agenda Items:

The preparation and presentation of a Committee Work Plan was identified as an Agenda item for the upcoming meeting in May.

11. Adjournment:

Moved and carried (unanimous); adjourned at 8:25pm.