



**MINUTES**  
**OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE**  
**Wednesday, January 9, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.**

**El Cerrito City Hall**  
Hillside Conference Room –second floor  
10890 San Pablo Avenue

**1. Call to Order:**

Committee Chair Marty Takimoto called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

**2. Roll Call:**

Members in Attendance: Marty Takimoto, Jim Dolgonas, Rosa Esquivel, and Gene Go.

Members not in Attendance: Mollie Hazen and Bruce Yow

City Council/Staff in Attendance Councilmember Lyman and Detective Sergeant Ian Wong

Guests/Members of the Public: Cordell Hindler and Christian Thiel

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from December 12, 2018 were approved with the modification of item 6(a) to indicate the item was voted on and approved.

Motion to adopt the minutes: Go/Dolgonas

Aye: Takimoto, Go, and Dolgonas

Nay: None

Abstentions: Esquivel

**4. Council / Staff Liaison Reports:**

Councilmember Lyman introduced himself as the new City Council liaison for the CPC. Additionally, Councilmember Lyman informed the committee about several recent council meetings which included a presentation from the county about the current opiate epidemic, the approval of a local ham radio operator group to utilize city facilities at a discounted rate, and the acceptance of 3 of the 4 proposed tenant ordinances.

Sergeant Ian Wong announced that Community Liaison Officer Sarah Perez will be heading up the department's Neighborhood Watch Program.

**5. Comments from the Public:**

Cordell Hindler spoke with the committee about involving high school students with the Crime Prevention Committee. Hindler added that CPC meetings should have refreshments, food and guest speakers. Additionally, Hindler provided the committee with a neighborhood watch flier from the Richmond Police Department.

Christian Thiel informed the committee of the upcoming drug and alcohol awareness week (January 22<sup>nd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>). Thiel encouraged the CPC to get more involved with educating youth about drugs and alcohol. Also, Thiel provided several resources for material and assistance for drug and alcohol education.

**6. Discussion of Crime Prevention Committee Activities:**

a) Neighborhood Watch Subcommittee

-Chair Takimoto will be sending out calendar appointments so members can meet prior to the next regular CPC meeting. (Dolgonas/Go/Hazen/Takimoto(Chair)/Yow/Esquivel)

b) Membership Subcommittee

- The group discussed their continued interest in establishing a more robust Neighborhood Watch Program. (Takimoto/Dolgonas/Go (Chair)/Hazen)

**7. Membership:**

The Committee discussed the City's rules regarding attendance and absences for commissions, boards, and committees. Dolgonas indicated the rules governing attendance were not clear and was in conflict with other publications from the City.

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

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

**9. Announcements:**

-Cordell Hindler announced the upcoming celebration of MLK with a free documentary screening (Cracking the Codes) and community conversation on January 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM which will be held at the ECHS. Hindler also encouraged people to participate in the 30<sup>th</sup> annual MLK parade on January 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 AM starting at City Hall.

**10. Future Agenda Items:**

- Work Plan
- Neighborhood Watch and recruiting update.

**11. Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Motion to adjourn: Esquivel/Dolgonas

Aye: Takimoto, Go, Esquivel, and Dolgonas

Nay: None

Abstentions: None