



**MINUTES**  
**OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE**  
**Wednesday, March 13, 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 7:10 PM.

**2. Roll Call:**

Members in Attendance: Marty Takimoto, Bruce Yow, Rosa Esquivel, Gene Go, and Mollie Hazen

Members not in Attendance: Jim Dolgonas

City Council/Staff in Attendance Councilmember Lyman, Chief Keith, and Detective Ware

Guests/Members of the Public: Cordell Hindler and three Contra Costa College students

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

January 2019 minutes were not reviewed or approved due to absence of Detective Sergeant Wong.

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

Chief Keith advised that shoplifting crimes are down 68% and auto burglaries are up..

City Council discussed the Tenant Protection Ordinance and is looking to create an advisory committee (consisting of both homeowners and renters) to get recommendations.

On February 5<sup>th</sup>, City Council awarded ECPD's Officer of the Year, Professional Staff of the Year, and Volunteer of the Year.

BART presented for their plans for the El Cerrito Plaza.

The Parks and Recreation Master Plan was released and under review for future park repairs.

City Council is reviewing on-street parking policies in El Cerrito.

**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.

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

Chair Takimoto provided brief updates on the progress of the CPC subcommittees on Neighborhood Watch Expansion and CPC Membership Recruitment. No action items.

New Business: Detective Ware distributed Certified Letters to each CPC member from Teamsters Local 315 regarding attacks and robberies incurred by UPS drivers delivering packages to EC cell phone stores.

Following updates on the crime situation by Detective Ware and Councilman Lyman, it was decided that Chair Marty would respond on behalf of the CPC to the letter. CPC member Rosa also wanted to respond to the letter as a member of the Committee.

**7. Membership:**

No updates.

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

No updates.

**9. Announcements:**

No updates.

**10. Future Agenda Items:**

- Work Plan
- Neighborhood Watch and recruiting update.

**11. Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM