

Maxwell Park Neighborhood Council

Meeting notes for March 8, 2017

Ground rules explained, board members introduced themselves.

- We do not yet have a neighborhood services coordinator (civilian liaison with the community and police).
- The CRO Esparza could not be present today as he was needed to be present for the women's day protest

District 6

Representatives were not present

Community Policing Advisory Board (CPAB)

- Jay Ashford introduced: Chair of community policing advisory board, has served on the public ethics commission, the budget advisory committee, and is an Oakland citizen (Diamond District).
- Presentation
 - o Era of Policing in the US
 - o Oakland Community Policing
 - o Defining community policing and Implementing policing based on the definition
 - o Pillars of community policing
 - § Community partnership
 - § Problems solving (SARA framework and database)
 - § Organizational Support (track data, part of ongoing officer appraisals)
 - o Role of CPAB: advise OPD command staff, listen to complaints, communication link,

oversee NCs/NCPCs, advocate for city funds, advocate for sufficient staffing

- o Neighborhood Services Coordinator (NSC), the primary point of contact when there is a specific problem in the neighborhood. This is a civilian living in the neighborhood.

- o CPAB initiatives

- § Begin annual surveys (measure trends; how is it going?)

- § Quarterly speaker series at CPAB meetings (outreach, discussing ways to make the groups more effective in problem solving).

- § Advocate to city council

- o CPAB meetings – first Wednesday of each month (at city hall and Eastmont locations)

- § Join cpab email subscriber list. Email jdevries@oaklandnet.com

- § Website: www.oaklandcommunitypolicing.org

- § CPAB twitter fee: @oaklandcpab

- o Comments from community members

- § How do we expand this to other important groups in the neighborhood like school principals etc?

- § How does the city intend to get us all involved in this process?

- § It would be important to make sure that there is someone evaluating how effective we are. Someone needs to analyze the SARA, share it, and scrutinize it.

- § Are the police spending time on their beats?

- There has to be a certain amount of officers (240) to prevent the department from imploding if there were a riot or emergency. This cuts down on the time the officers are on their beats.

- § Is there training for officers regarding how to deal with people with mental disabilities, special circumstances

- There is training that is going on, which was created after recent events in Ferguson.

- Each officer has to go through the procedural justice training. We will continue to advocate for training.

§ What will happen to the \$700 for the NCs if the money isn't spent in the year?

- They money seems to stay available for one year period.

§ There are no known neighborhoods that have a full implementation of the SARA process/closing of the loop regarding information back to the neighborhood. The presenter will report back and let us know if there is neighborhood that has this process perfected.

NATs

- Community building events reviewed
- We expect a report back for each step completed regarding neighborhood safety and the process. Officer Esparza is willing and able to support out beat. Jose is in regular communication with him regarding the priorities and what we expect
- The Park: We now have enough money to pay for the memorial plaques as well as more benches for the park. There is a plan for creating a play structure for older individuals as well as revamping the one for younger children. There are invasive grasses/clovers. There is hope to get some native sod to put down. The picnic tables are not well staked.
- Traffic continues to be an issue and there needs to be someone to step up and make some positive changes
- ACalert.org for emergency alerts

Open Forum

- Oakland is a sanctuary city. There is a flier that Jose has about information regarding rights of immigrants.
- Alameda sandcastle sculpting event: Free event. 6/10/17, 9am is the registration and start time awards at 1pm. Crown beach near webster and central.
- Sunday April 2nd, Oakland marathon. Oaklandmarathon.com

- New women's mosque in Oakland