CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Co-Chair Moises Gomez in the Commander Matthew Blake Community Room, Olympic Station.

FLAG SALUTE

INTRODUCTION OF OFFICERS. Captain Ponce introduced Sgt. Diana Riddle, newly appointed Supervisor of the SLO and CRO offices. Sgt Riddle expressed her pleasure at being at the Olympic Division and offered her full cooperation and assistance to all callers.

CAPTAIN’S REMARKS. Captain Ponce began by calling attention to the memorials for Olympic Officer Fernando Arroyos, murdered two years ago.

He continued by reviewing the creation of C-PAB after the riots as a conduit for dialog between the LAPD and the community, allowing people to speak their minds and receive feedback. He recounted the successful actions and events of 2023, concluding by asking ‘What should C-PAB be?’

There followed a wide-ranging discussion of ways to revive and reinvigorate the Olympic C-PAB, by increasing participation, improving community communication with the LAPD, develop a chain of responsibility for creating solutions to problems within neighborhoods, develop connections with other agencies to solve problems without involving the LAPD, change environments to effect improvements and become more proactive.

Discussion focused on several short-term goals: (1) an Open House, (2) improved outreach, (3) using the Command Center.

   (1) To be at the Station, on a Saturday in early May. Captain Ponce will return with date suggestions.
   (2) Revive the email list for better outreach and passing of information, especially upcoming events. Announcements should be several weeks in advance with follow up as the event approaches. Establish communication with other neighborhood entities such as Neighborhood Councils, churches and schools. Find a web designer to revive the Olympic C-PAB web site, develop flyers and increase use of social media. Develop communication between C-PAB members and Council offices.
   (3) The Command Center will be placed at locations with high visibility, staffed with SLO and other officers to interact with the public. It was suggested that the first location be at a local church, where Father Mario is able to create interest and draw people.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Announcement of Open House by Coalition for Prevention and Awareness in LA Metro (COPALM), Tuesday 13 February, 520 S. La Fayette Park Pl., #560. Flyer attached below.

Meeting adjourned 7:07 pm.

Next Meeting, Thursday, 1 February 2024 6:00 pm, Olympic Station.

(Meetings are normally 1st Thursdays but may change to accommodate events and schedules.)

Submitted by Robert Reeves, Secretary. Comments and suggestions should be made through the Olympic CRO.
COPALM OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, February 13, 2024
520 S. La Fayette Park Pl., #560,
Los Angeles, CA 90057
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Join us for an opportunity to learn about the Coalition for Prevention and Awareness in LA Metro (CoPalm)!

☑️ Network & build partnerships
☑️ Learn about substance use prevention efforts
☑️ Narcan & fentanyl resources

Questions? Contact: CoPalmLA@gmail.com

Registration: https://bit.ly/3tOfl8

This event is funded by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health, Substance Abuse Prevention and Control.