Los Angeles Police Department Van Nuys Area Community Police Advisory Board Minutes March 13, 2025

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Attendees:

Sergeant II Maria Pedroza Senior Lead Officer Mike Perez Senior Lead Officer Joel Gutierrez Senior Lead Officer Jose Saldana Senior Lead Officer Kristan Delatori Senior Lead Officer Mariana Romo Senior Lead Officer Brian Franco Officer Evlin Akserelian

Co-Chair Penny Meyer Zeferino Agraz Jorge Banos Barnard Wendy Michael Browning Mirna Chavez Susan Collins Don Lestrange Penny Gilbert Andrew Mulkeen Keuroghlian, Taleen (CD4) Rhys McArthur (Bishop)

Introductions:

Co-Chair Penny Meyer called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm and welcomed all those in attendance.

Captain's Crime and Divisional Update:

Nothing to report

Committee Reports:

Blight Abatement: They had a neighborhood watch meeting on March 8, 2025.

Teen CPAB: Nothing to report.

Events: This year's carnival will be from May 2 through May 4, 2025. Pre-sale tickets will be sold from April 30 to May 2, 2025.

SLO Reports:

Officer Franco - Officer Franco advised members that he had a meeting with CD6, Van Nuys Division Vice Unit, and community members regarding the prostitution issues on Sepulveda Blvd. He advised members that we had about 42 prostitution arrests last month. He is also working with CD6 for "No Right Turn" signs to be posted in certain locations on Sepulveda Blvd.

Officer Gutierrez - Officer Gutierrez advised members that he has two Care+ clean-ups scheduled for this week. He is working with CD6 to add more Care+ clean-ups for the problem areas.

Officer Delatori - Officer Delatori stated, that there is an uptick in 459s and members should speak to their neighbors and set up Neighborhood Watch meetings if they do not have one set up. She advised members to make sure they are proactive and involved in their community.

Officer Romo - Officer Romo reminded members that suspects are not only targeting houses but also apartment buildings, specifically the second floors and higher. She has met with Detectives who have advised her that there is no real pattern in the recent burglaries. She was advised that they have been targeting electrical panels to shut off power to the residence they are targeting.

Officer Saldana - Officer Saldana stated that he has been working on and has cleaned up the encampment on Ventura Blvd. and Colbath St.

Officer Perez - Officer Perez stated that he attended a successful neighborhood watch meeting on March 8, 2025. There were 61 burglaries and 2 arrests in Van Nuys Division last month. He advised members that he has been noticing neighborhoods setting up Flock Cameras throughout their blocks which have been helpful.

New Business:

Provided members with 2025 Intent to Serve forms and 2025 CPAB ID stickers.

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Van Nuys Division's Tip-A-Cop on March 26, 2025 from 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm. Van Nuys Division's Inspection on March 27, 2025 from 8:00 am - 10:00 am Van Nuys Division Carnival will be from May 2 through May 4, 2025

Government Representatives:

Taleen Keuroghlian - Taleen (CD 4) stated they are working on implementing a crosswalk at the intersection of Tyrone Ave. and Magnolia Blvd. CD4 is having a tree adoption on March 22, 2025. The City Hall meeting on the last Friday of every month will be held at the Van Nuys location. CD4 is also working with the Senior Lead Officers to target homeless concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

The next CPAB meeting will be on April 10, 2025. Notification will be sent to members and posted on social media.