



Community Police Advisory Board Minutes
Los Angeles Police Department
12312 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90066

Date: Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Time: 6:00 P.M. via Zoom and last in person hybrid meeting

Location: Pacific Community Room

Call to Order: Bill Koontz, Civilian Vice-Chair

Members Present: 20

Guests: 0

LAPD Personnel - 9

City Employees- 5

Approval of prior meeting minutes – approved as submitted. Motion made by George, seconded by Ron K.

Captain Applegate's Report- Chief Moore is retiring. Chief Choi will be the interim until the selection process is completed. He intends to follow strategic plan in place to establish stability.

Continued having community meetings to build bridges. Met with LAX Chamber of Commerce to explain the new way to respond to crime.

At the station keeping contact with individuals on sick leave.

Crime, a good note overall. Violent crime is up 13%. Property crime is down 21.5 %. There is a lag in reporting. Citizens can report theft online.

Aggravated assaults are decline near Rose and Lincoln. Inside Safe has helped. Burglaries continue to be a challenge, especially in Westchester and Mar Vista. Patrol is working with detectives on how to prevent incidences. Not unique to Pacific, but throughout the city and state.

President Biden's visit impacted all divisions as a city-wide effort to keep all safe.

Protests are up in general. Goal is to keep protesters out of LAX.

No update on Westchester car break-ins. Detectives are piecing together videos, suspect that individuals live in the area.

25% of stolen vehicles had the keys in them.

Deployment currently 250 sworn and civilian employees at Pacific.

Front desk experiences have improved with citizens getting courteous and professional help.

SLO Reports:

A-11: Sgt. Adams walked Ocean Front walk with SLO Contreras, and representatives from St. Joseph's, LASHA, MH pilot program and Rec and Park to access encroachment. Getting ready for summer. Looking to eliminate non-conforming signage.

A-13- The encampment at Whole Foods is growing. All patrols are involved. Many aggravated assaults involved homeless individuals. Community meeting held to educate citizens to use secure area to have packages delivered. RV process of removal was discussed. New transients due to displacement from downtown and Santa Monica.

A-25- Crime is up. Burglaries are up 11%. GTAs are up 61%. If you see something, say something. Nextdoor is NOT making a report. Better to call 911 or 877-LAPD if it not an emergency.
Rite Aid and Ralph's hired a company to move people to another area. Vehicles went to the north side of Penmar Park where the road is not posted.

A-27- Area had 40 less crimes than in 2023. Burglaries are down 18%. sexual predator report on Nextdoor resulted in patrol door knocking which led to an arrest. Working with CD #5, businesses, and community to move RVs. City has room for 10 RVs to be stored.

A-45- Area is down 66 crimes from last year. Ballona Creek area has repopulated, large scale clean-up is scheduled. Quality of life issues bigger concern than crime in his area.

A-49 There are 23 RVs and one with no wheels in his area. LASHA has offered help. AM watch helps suppress crime which is down 21%. 8/5

burglaries result of unlocked windows in the early morning. 4 of the stolen cars had key fobs left in them.

Lucerne and Sycamore on the northside has 8 vacant properties. The owner has been contacted. The focus is on two properties, to get them boarded up so people cannot get inside.

A-67- SLO Pinell is on vacation. Rise in aggravated assaults in his area.

A-73 SLO Castaneda is on leave. Vincent Perez filling in for her. Contact him via email at 41219@LAPD.ONLINE

Sgt. Lovick -

Sgt. Cook-

Committees:

Emergency Preparedness:

Neighborhood Watch/Block Captains

Events: 50th Anniversary celebration on March 2 has been cancelled.

Transportation:

Member Issues and Announcements

Joe reported 17 residential burglaries documented on Nextdoor. Need to remind people to make a police report.

Boosters: E-Waste Saturday, April 27th, 9 weeks away. Flyer will be made available.

Wine dinner raised \$1400.00.

CD 11: Dylan- Enforcement of RVs in the municipal lot planned .

Matthew.halden@lacity.org (new deputy for Mar Vista and Del Rey)

Westchester Park and Recreation: Kirsten reported that homeless in parking lot are blocking parking and sidewalks. Five are in front of the Senior Center. They are lighting fires. 2 arrests were made; shooting was gang related.

Boosters: E-Waste Drive, Saturday, April 27. Drive in and drop off old electronic equipment, devices and screens.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 2024 Site to be announced. This meeting will in person. Zoom will NOT be available.