

Greater Rockridge NCPC (12Y/13X) - Minutes
Thursday, December 11, 2014
Rockridge Library, College and Manila, Oakland
General Public: 7:30-9:00PM

NCPC:

Michael Ubell – Chair
Barbara Minton – Vice Chair
Molly Singer - Treasurer
Karen Ivy – Secretary & Information Officer

At 7:33 PM Mike Ubell opened the meeting. The NCPC officers introduced themselves. OPD members present included the new beat 13 PSO, Christine Jurgens, plus Sgt. Bassett, and Officer Pollard (PSO beat 9). Absent: Molly Singer, treasurer, and Patricia Rose, Neighborhood Services Coordinator. Two citizens were present.

Reconsider Priorities

A resident asked the group to reinstate the George & Walt’s customer activities as a priority, just to be sure the reported issues are resolved. Neighbors need to call incidents in as they happen. No one had any other priorities to add. Someone commented that if we're down to speeding and urinating in doorways for priorities, we must be doing better.

Beat Status Report – 12Y

Officer Jurgen reported that beat 12 showed auto burglaries in the area of 5300-5400 College Ave. trending up.

<i>Crimes, Beat 12Y</i>	<i>Last 30 days</i>	<i>Last year this period</i>
Robberies	12	1
Auto burglaries	14	8
Stolen vehicles	11	10
Residential/ Commercial burglaries	7	14

Beat Status Report – 13X

<i>Crimes, Beat 12Y</i>	<i>Last 30 days</i>	<i>Last year this period</i>
Robberies	0	1
Auto burglaries	4	1
Stolen vehicles	2	4
Residential/ Commercial burglaries	3	3

Sgt. Bassett reported that the protests are hitting OPD hard - officers can't follow up investigations, projects get set aside, all in addition to the strain on staff for unexpected overtime. Ninety percent of CHP officers in the Golden Gate region are in the East Bay, protecting freeways – they're in riot gear, standing to the side near freeway entrances, keep an eye out for them.

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A resident mentioned homeless camps, which was a major topic of conversation at the November meeting, although it wasn't made a priority. Sgt. Bassett reported that CalTrans has made it a #1 priority to remove all homeless camps that anyone complains about, within 10 days. That's why the homeless folks are moving around so much. Operation Dignity is ramping up to work with the extra moves, but some people *want* to live in tents.

Historically, the NCPC meeting has very low attendance when crime is down, although the December meeting was notable for a major storm. Unless crime picks up, we need programs to pull people in. Can we get a presentation on Measure Z? Sgt. Bassett said he could make one; the secretary said she would talk to him later. How about one on the new mayor's priorities on public safety?

NCPC Priorities for December 2014

Under new OPD rules, each beat is allowed a single priority, instead of the previous 3; and new priorities must be *identifiable* and *measurable*. PSOs will also work on a *Crime project* and *from time to time* (?) a *Call reduction project* for the beat. Remember that 12Y and 13X are only part of beats 12 and 13.

12Y:

1. *NCPC Priority*: Patrons of George & Walt's bar using nearby doorways as toilets, for drug deals and sex; bar management not cooperative. Bar patrons also hang out in cars on Kales Avenue, apparently doing drugs and leaving trash.
2. *Crime Project*: High visibility vehicle patrols on College Avenue between Broadway and Claremont
3. *Call Reduction Project*: to be announced

13X:

1. *NCPC Priority*: Speeding auto traffic up and down Lawton above Broadway.
2. *Crime Project*: none at present.
3. *Call Reduction Project*: to be announced

NCPC meetings are normally the SECOND Thursday of the month.
*Next NCPC meeting is **Thursday, January 8, 2015** at 7:30 PM*
Buttner Auditorium, The College Preparatory School, 6100 Broadway

See you there and stay safe!

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