

**Greater Rockridge NCPC Meeting Agenda (12Y/13X)**  
**Thursday, May 12, 2011**  
**Rockridge Library Community Room, College & Manila, Oakland**  
**General Public: 7:00-8:30PM**

**NCPC:**

Frank Castro – Chair  
Vice Chair – Barbara Minton  
Denise Jorgensen – Treasurer  
Karen Ivy – Secretary & Information Officer

Karen Ivy started the meeting. Twelve people attended the meeting.

Officer Flores from the Oakland Housing Authority spoke first. He grew up in Oakland. A resident asked how does the housing authority tie in with Rockridge? OHA has properties on 62<sup>nd</sup>, Canning, and Colby.

A problem family on 62<sup>nd</sup> St. caused numerous noise and loud music complaints. They were evicted after a long process. It's thought they moved to Sacramento. Once you're kicked out of OHA housing in Oakland, you can't ever receive subsidized housing through the city. There were no service calls for Canning or Colby.

OHA is funded by HUD. It has 320 properties in Oakland, including Section 8, low income and senior housing.

They are short staffed but doing best they can with 4-5 officers per shift for all of Oakland. They also help OPD. OHA's force is 39 sworn officers, a chief, 1 lieutenant. They also just got funded for 1 more lieutenant starting July 1.

No Oakland Police Department or BART representatives attended this time.

Neighborhood Issues:

12Y – In March, people were ringing doorbells at 3-4am, even when lights on were on on porches. There was tagging on resident's doors. There's still a drug house on Manila.

No further tagging has occurred in April, according to the resident who had his front door tagged. The online crime reporting system did not allow him to file a trespassing report, so he went to the police station and filed it. He was able to file the vandalism report on line. Resident put out flyers informing neighbors.

There was an up tick in burglaries around Manila, Desmond, & Glendale, according to another resident.

A resident reported a big film truck blocking pedestrian visibility of pedestrians in the cross walk by Yasai Market & Safeway. Officer Chu was monitoring the situation. Karen said we'd take note and file a complaint with NSC. Rumor has it it's a Brad Pitt movie.

In May, at 60<sup>th</sup> near Colby & Claremont there was a burglary. The burglars kicked in a door and took a TV. A few days later they came back for more. The residents were away, but hadn't set their alarm. Police report filed. Suspect is someone seen at the house with their gardener.

13X – A resident asked about white striping on the pavement on corner of Buena Vista and Broadway terrace on a curve. Is it parking or a bicycle lane? He said it's very hard to make a left turn on that street when people park in the curved area. After the meeting, a resident looked at

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the area. Parking is allowed all along that area of Broadway Terrace. There is a no parking sign just past the curved area mentioned. Parking in the curved area appears to be legal.

A resident attended the bi-monthly PSA Leadership Meeting.

OPD is working with a new organization: Urban Strategies Council. It compiles and charts OPD's crime data in graphs and charts to provide actionable information that leadership can use to deploy their limited resources. A chart comparing 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2010 with 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2011 was handed out.

*Key points:*

There were 154 fewer violent crimes and 74 fewer property crimes in Oakland.

12Y had 8 fewer violent crimes but 9 more burglaries.

13X had 2 fewer violent and 3 more burglaries.

Temescal (12X), which borders on 12Y had 32 fewer violent and 4 fewer property crimes. Captain Allison suggests this is due to his deployment of officers to hot spots near 60<sup>th</sup> and Telegraph. He is having Officer Chu walk the area, knock on doors and talk to people on the street, instead of driving the area.

The budget needs to be in place by 7/1/11 pursuant to city charter. The police helicopter is supposed to be funded again, but all three new budget scenarios ground it. Residents were urged to attend city council meetings and contact the mayor and council members.

**Priorities for May:**

**12Y:**

1. Drug house on Manila
2. Graffiti & burglaries around Manila, Desmond, & Glendale. Possibly related?
3. Burglary at 60<sup>th</sup> near Colby & Claremont

**13X:**

1. Parking question on curve near Buena Vista and Broadway Terrace. (Seems to be legal.)

Karen Ivy closed the meeting.

*In 2011 all meetings except January will be the SECOND Thursday of the month.*

*Next meeting will be **Thursday, June 9, 2011** at 7:00 PM at Rockridge Library Community Room.*

*See you there and stay safe!*

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