

**Greater Rockridge NCPC (12Y/13X) – Minutes**  
**Thursday, August 11, 2016**  
**Rockridge Library, College and Manila**  
**General Public: 7:30-9:00PM**

**NCPC:**

Michael Ubell – Chair  
Barbara Minton – Vice Chair  
<open> - Treasurer  
Karen Ivy – Secretary & Information Officer

Karen Ivy called the Greater Rockridge NCPC to order in the Rockridge Library at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 11. Also present were Patricia Rose, Barbara Minton and OPD officers Hutzol and Jurgens-Duenas plus various residents of beats 12Y and 13X. Mike Ubell was unable to attend.

**Priorities**

Karen Ivy asked if we should keep the previous priorities, which were both in beat 12Y. The priorities were: the stop sign at Ayala and Martin, and the homeless encampments near Chabot Elementary and Claremont Middle School.

Officer Hutzol has been checking the stop sign regularly. There are officers there on rotating basis. We should pull this priority.

The homeless encampment is now one guy with a dog, who is in full compliance with the law, moving his car as required. So we should pull priority number 2 as well.

Karen asked if anyone had any priorities they would like us to consider? A resident mentioned a homeless encampment near the dog park. Officer Hutzol reported that he posted this camp last week, and it has been cleared. The campers have moved to Claremont and will be there until removed.

Acting Captain Randy Wingate was unable to attend the meeting.

**OPD Reports – 12Y**

Officer Hutzol began by explaining the definition of robbery vs burglary, two crimes which are often confused. Robbery is theft *from the person*. Burglary is more remote, not person to person. Home invasion is also person to person.

Proposition 47 essentially decriminalizes auto burglary and some other non-violent crimes. Officers cannot stop and search someone sleeping in a car; they can ask if the person is ok and remind them to move the car within 72 hours. That's all they're allowed to do.

In the 60 day window since the last meeting, beat 12Y had 5 robberies, all of which occurred either on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday. Only 3 of the 5 robberies were completed, 2 were interrupted. The times of robberies were harder to pin down, they ranged anywhere from 7 AM to 11 PM; but 3 of the 5 were between noon and 6 PM.

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Those 5 robberies were 7.4% of the 68 robberies in Area 2 (North Oakland) during the last 60 days, and 0.9% of the 562 robberies citywide.

Berkeley recently had 5 or 6 robberies related to Pokémon Go. The robbers set up Pokémon lures to get players to a secluded spot, and then rob them. Please be extremely aware of your surroundings if you play Pokémon Go.

Crime numbers for Rockridge are looking good, although car burglars are busy. This is still an issue; people from other areas visit here and leave stuff in their cars. Violent crimes are down in 12Y. Vandalism is cropping up, but not prevalent.

The July crime report for the 2 beats showed that 12Y had 8 crimes against persons; 13X had 1.

A resident asked about the court injunction, some years ago, against a gang and its members? Officer Hutzol replied that OPD has solved many crimes, shootings, and so forth. In beat 13Y (the hills north of Montclair Village) they did a lot of big sweeps and got rid of them.

[*Ed. Note:* About the gang injunctions: they were originally issued in 2010 and 2012, aimed specifically at the Northside Oakland Gang and the Norteños gang in Fruitvale. They were ultimately dropped in 2015.]

### **OPD Reports – 13X**

Officer Jurgens-Duenas reported 10 auto burglaries for the last 60 days, 6 of them around Lake Temescal. Residential burglaries are up, 12 the last 60 days. One victim had a camera, and could identify the suspect. Four cars were stolen in the period this year, there were 3 last year.

A resident reported seeing someone on an overpass over Highway 13 who came out of hiding acting as if he had a gun, and pretending to shoot, but who had nothing in his hand. As the resident was driving under the bridge he couldn't respond immediately, but he called the incident in. Officers responded but could not find the person.

Officer Hutzol reported good news on Shane Powell (a notoriously angry and combative homeless person); we are close to getting him back into shared housing in San Leandro. He needs his own room because he doesn't get along with others. Shane is quiet and inoffensive as long as his "home" is intact. When CalTrans demolishes his camp, he comes back to College Avenue and harasses people. He uses very foul language, and goes after women and children. Officer Hutzol has had several meetings with him, and talked about why he does this stuff; he also found a secluded area for him. Now there's a woman in the picture. OPD's priority is to maintain everyone's civil rights.

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**Restorative Justice for Oakland Youth** (RJOY) was unable to attend the meeting. We will try to reschedule them, as at least two audience members had come specifically to hear their presentation on *Building Alternatives to Youth Incarceration*.

We were unable to elect Eric Neville to the open Treasurer position because we did not have a quorum of 15 people. We will try again to hold the election at the October meeting.

### **NCPC Priorities for August 2016**

**12Y:**

1. *NCPC Priority:* No current priority.

**13X:**

1. *NCPC Priority:* No current priority.

*NCPC meetings are normally the SECOND Thursday of even-numbered months.*  
**Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 7:30 PM**  
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*See you there and stay safe!*

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