

Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association
September 27, 2018

Attendees: KC, Officer Parham, Mark, Janice, Steve, Danielle, Steven, Bob, Francisco, Hakeem, Amanda, Nicole

6:30 – meeting begin, Introductions

Police update

Officer Parham reported we will have a new officer in the neighborhood; Lieutenant Scurria will be starting in a couple of weeks in the area. Continuity of officers is the department's goal. The transient problem on 51st Street is being addressed, as well as the reportedly unsafe conditions on the north side of San Francisco Blvd on 51st St. They are removing bushes debris, etc to clean up the street. Mark mentioned a tent that went up in the park a couple of weeks ago. Officer reported that it is now illegal for officers to enforce the no camping rule without providing a place for the person/people to go. Incident regarding the man masturbating in front of children in the park was also discussed. The officer stated that unless the officer actually sees the incident, they can't arrest the individual, however, civilian video from phones can be used. There is a chain of custody that needs to happen in that situation. Regarding the specific incident, the officer may not have witnessed it, or actual witnesses did not provide a statement and signs it. Regarding 15th Avenue, two juveniles are still in custody. No further shootings have occurred, and the family feud seems to have cooled down. The police camera has since been removed. Question was asked regarding reporting gun shots to police even if you aren't sure what direction they came from. Officer recommended calling 911 anyway as they can triangulate the direction from other callers.

Library update

Bob the volunteer gardener at the Library would like anyone interested in helping or providing input on design and planting of the garden. Anyone with interest, please call the Library. Pancake Breakfast at the library for Friends of the Library is October 20, 2018 from 10am-11:30am for a donation of \$5.

Sacramento Regional Transit presentation

Introduction of SmartRide has been successful. It's like their version of Uber. You can schedule a personal pick up from the app on your phone or calling RT. It currently only services South Sacramento west of Highway 99 currently. It runs from 6am-9pm, Monday through Friday. They have averaged 100 riders a day, and it costs \$2.75/trip. All payment methods accepted. App is available on both Apple and Android. Sac RT is working on changing their image and public perception. They are conducting route optimization studies. They have partnered with Sac Metro Arts Commission and have had several artists design art wrapped light rail cars. RT has upped their safety measures. They have installed 900 additional live feed cameras, expanded security operation center to 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and this has resulted in crime dropping

26.7%. Fare evasion has also dropped 16%, as well as reduced accidents and incidents. October 1 will introduce lower fares.

Annual Yard & Craft Sale update

KC updated the group. There were between 50-70 homes that participated. Traffic through the neighborhood seemed to be the highest versus the last two years.

CH T-shirts

Mark sold several t-shirts at his personal yard sale that day. He made \$70 on them and would like to donate the money to Greg to go toward the Shirley Johnson plaque. This was met with approval. It was also discussed as to reordering more shirts. There was some interest from attendees that they would also like a short. It was recommended more large and XL shirts be ordered this time. KC will contact Micaela to discuss.

Pool hours

It was asked if the hours can be extended, as well as dates as it stays warm much longer than the closure mid August. It was recommended to talk to Jay Schenirer's office about that.

Meeting ended at 7:30pm.