

**Davis Police Department**  
**Community Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**  
*August 12, 2009*

**Present:** Judi Adelman, Hamza El-Nakhal, Pattie Fong, Michael Green, Mel Lewis, Janis Lott, Pam Mari, Carlos Matos, Diane McGee, John Pamperin, Steve Pierce, Darren Pytel, Scott Wieking, Kevin Wolfe

**Guests:** Administrative Aide Pat Snyder, DJUSD Intern Jessica Suey

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***F Street/  
Covell  
Clean Up  
Project***

Captain Pytel reported on a project coordinated within the City departments to clean up debris along the railroad on F Street and Covell Boulevard. The Railroad is helping with day laborers and equipment. Bill Pride is contacting folks who may need to move to help with relocation and accessing services.

Mel Lewis asked if there are long term plans for the homeless. Captain Pytel explained that there is an effort within the State to make sure there is enough housing and that people have access to services. One identified problem is that currently homeless services are not centrally located and people have to travel from location to location for food, clothing, shelter, health services and counseling. Housing and Human Services Superintendent Danielle Foster is the primary City of Davis liaison for the State 10-year project to end homelessness.

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***Chief's  
Update***

Captain Pytel reported that the Patrol division is gearing up for the opening of school. Officers will adopt a school, get to know the principals, and be present to address traffic issues from the opening day—same as last year. During the first few weeks of UCD starting, there will be fall patrol downtown on Thursday and Friday nights (two officers on foot and two on bikes) and dedicated party units. High visibility patrols and education during the first weeks can set a tone for how parties go all school year.

There was a conversation about traffic monitoring on Simmons Way and a bike borrowing program for students using the Valley Oak campus. Kevin Wolfe reported that Yolo County gave a grant for the bikes. Pam Mari will email Captain Pytel a list of the DJUSD programs housed at the Valley Oak campus.

Neighbor's Night Out is scheduled for October 11, 2009.

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***Round  
Table***

**Downtown Business Association** - Janis Lott reported that for the beginning of the new UCD term, DDBA will host speaker, Cindy Valencia, to talk about safe parties. Janis complimented the Police Department for the Swearing-In and Awards ceremony on July 29. She enjoyed seeing the various honors bestowed and the family support. Janis also noted that the Police Volunteers and Bike Officers downtown are appreciated by the merchants.

**Davis Joint Unified School District** - Pam Mari reported with the closing of the Third and B Teen Center (which will temporarily become the Bike Museum) DJUSD is helping the City with space for the displaced programs. Work is in progress to redesign programs to suit the location and use resources from a variety of agencies to give youth a model program. Diane McGee mentioned that the library has activities for teenagers which are funded by the Friends of the Library.

**Round Table continued**

Kevin Wolfe asked what the schools have learned about swine flu and closing schools. Pam Mari reported that she receives at least eight emails a day about it from government agencies. Concern at the State and Federal level is great. After the weekend in the spring when DJUSD was about to close a school, the staff had a debriefing. A problem is that even if you keep students out of school, they will congregate anyway. School offices are trying to be uniform in taking temperatures and methods of treatment when students come in with health issues. There is an effort to educate parents on ways to prevent the spread of H1N1. An irony is that school nurses are currently being cut everywhere.

**Jewish Community** - Michael Green mentioned that with the high holidays coming, more Police presence will be requested.

**Beat 2** - Kevin Wolfe talked about the Davis Manor concept of strong community leading to better crime prevention. He mentioned that the residents lay out items for people to take for free and put up signs indicating people are allowed to pick from the fruit trees. Kevin talked about the advantages of co-op style housing. Assistant Chief Pierce noted that it is always a positive thing when neighbors get together to know each other better.

**Human Relations Commission** - John Pamperin talked about the growth in homelessness and calls he has been receiving.

**African American Community** - Mel Lewis will be serving on the Community Advisory Board taking the seat vacated by Calvin Handy. He introduced his Intern Jessica Suey and asked that CAB members who sense someone in need of free meals or services at school please call him or Pam Mari. It would be kept highly confidential.

**Beat 3** - Diane McGee brought in blankets made by Project Linus to be distributed and asked that CAB members let her know of other places where blankets are needed.

**Concilio/Hispanic Community** - Carlos Matos said he has received no complaints of police harassment. He asked why Davis PD did not get federal stimulus funding. Assistant Chief Pierce said that the criterion for funding was: 1) overall economic impact of the community, and 2) Part 1 crime statistics. The good news/bad news is that we scored low. West Sacramento and Woodland each received enough funding for three officer positions being fully funded for three years.

**Islamic Community** – Hamza El-Nakhhal asked about an increase in burglaries. Captain Pytel said that although there have been more right now, we are staying at our yearly average.

**Asian Community** – Pattie Fong said that what happened in North Korea is being interpreted locally and Davis Koreans are reaching out into the community.