

Davis Police Department
Community Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2009

Present: Judi Adelman, Shelly Bailes, Landy Black, Hamza El-Nakhal, Pattie Fong, Mel Lewis, Janis Lott, Pam Mari, Diane McGee, Darren Pytel, Scott Wiekling

Guests: Administrative Aide Pat Snyder

Crime Trends

Captain Pytel reported on recent crime trends regarding burglaries. There has been a substantial increase in the past month; however, we are at average with previous years. There have been home, vehicle, and church burglaries along with one high speed chase that led to Benicia. The Police Crime Mapper is current and can be accessed at <http://cityofdavis.org/police/crimemap.cfm> in order to see where incidents have occurred.

Our Community Policing Unit has created a flyer for pizza businesses to put on their delivery boxes with a strong message about not allowing yourself to be the “next victim”. Most of the burglaries involved cars and residents left unlocked, one car with the keys in it, and often with valuables in plain view.

F Street & Covell Clean Up Project

Chief Black gave a presentation about a joint cleanup project on F Street & Covell involving the railroad, ConAgra, Public Works, Davis Community Meals and the Police Department. This was an area identified as dangerously unsafe so work was done to discard waste, increase safe railroad right of way safety, and improve the aesthetic qualities of the site. Tree trimming will be done soon pending funding. Possible upcoming cleanup phases include work on the east and west sides of the Putah Creek, around the Design House, and the West Olive train tracks.

Round Table

Christian Community—Scott Wiekling reported that a group of church leaders will hear a presentation on workplace violence (what to do if there is ever an active shooter in the congregation) given by Lt. Thomas Waltz. He also said church leadership is taking cues from DJUSD on how to handle H1N1 issues.

African American Community—Mel Lewis is setting up an Aviation Club as an after school/academic club within the high school. They want to obtain a simulator for about \$400.

Beat 2—Diane McGee reported that the Library relocated temporarily to the building right behind the Explorit at 606 Pena. The next book sale will be held there in October. She also reported that Project Linus donated blankets to CommuniCare. She requests suggests for other groups who may need them.

Marriage Equality—Shelly Bailes reported that the Davis Coop is sponsoring Friday evening (6:00 – 8:00 p.m.) beer and wine tasting events with proceeds going to Marriage Equality California. There will be a march on Washington D.C. on October 11, 2009. The State of Maine said they will marry same sex partners, but some have called for a ballot measure causing the marriages to be put on hold. The State of Washington has something on their ballot to take away domestic partnerships. Shelly does not anticipate anything on the 2010 or 2012 California ballots to overturn Prop 8.

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There was a discussion about noisy parties and various code violations such as trash and abandoned vehicles. We have a link on the City website at <http://cityofdavis.org/>, in the middle bottom section called “Quick Links”, and then a link that says “Report a Problem”. This is a place where you can report all type of City concerns. If you have loud party/noise issues in your neighborhood, call the police while it is happening so that they can give a warning or ticket as appropriate.

Islamic Community—Hamza El-Nakhal reported that there have been three instances at Davis Islamic Center of planters being overturned and broken. Captain Pytel will look into this.

Asian Community—Pattie Fong distributed the Currents newspaper which reports Asian Pacific American Community news for Sacramento and Yolo Counties. Copies were put in the PD break room.

Davis Joint Unified School District—Pam Mari explained the district’s procedures for dealing with H1N1 and reported that they are following the lead and advise of Dr. Iser of the Yolo County Health Department. Informational notices went out to families and precautions are being taken at the schools. Vaccinations may be available through Yolo County Points of Distribution later in the fall.

Downtown Business Association—Janis Lott reported that an agreement between Davis Community Church and the City will be presented to City Council soon. She reported that an vandalism incident occurred at her store in which the officers caught the suspect on in car camera and captured him within minutes. Janis also reported that counterfeit bills are now circulating in \$10 and even \$1 denominations. Chief Black noted that the fall bar patrol will begin later in September.

Beat 4—Judi Adelman reported that her neighbors are proactive in dealing with party/noise issues by communicating with the renters who make up 3/4 of her street. Many students will come to the resident’s homes to announce when they will have a party and provide their phone numbers to call in case the party gets too loud. They ask, “Please call us and not the police”. Judi has never had to call. Judi also reported many solicitors are coming now. She noted that they must each have a personal permit.