

Grant Neighborhood Association

Monthly meeting – 13 August 2015; 7 pm – American Legion Hall

Police report- Officers Ly and Strang & E.Moreno- Property crimes: residential burglary during fumigation.... Requires neighborhood watch to reduce occurrences. Also, window air conditioning systems are easily removed. 2-3 Vehicle thefts.robbery *pamphlet* (spiking- 12 in NLB last week) robbery = crime against a **person**. **Burglary** = no people involved, just property. Keep track of key details to inform police. 3 Honda civics very loud at 1302 ... Can only be cited if they are in transit. People use 65th at Gardena as Cherry alternate and race through around 5-7pm... Could speed bump or radar be installed? We could use the "slow, children at play" caution signs.... Alley between 65th/ Gundry and Grayton... Lots of prostitution activity in that area.... Complaints must be called in when activity is sighted... And every time.

District 9 report – updates- Christian Cambridge- field deputy- (Darryl Patterson-communications).... Community service.Cal Berkeley and USC grad from south LA. Report community issues to Chris for resolution. State of the district was quite successful with about 250 attendees. Developers forum will go through PBID. 9th district budget town hall at Ramona Park on Monday, August 17 at 6:00 pm followed by showing of Guardians of the Galaxy. Harbor Cruise with councilman Richardson at dock 2- 100 aquarium way- Monday, August 24, 2015 from 5:30-8:00 pm.

Treasurer's report- 6 new community watch signs sold... Total of \$120- 12 sold.

Communications report- no new communication.

Approval of minutes- Dan Pressburg motioned to approved, seconded and approved as written.

Old Business --Update on ongoing projects: pocket parks (JR); establishing a backyard fruit and veggie exchange (JR); model alleys; community dance, community-watch signs; community survey

S. Jones at work on obtaining grants. In communication with various organizations... Kasia will work with us on model alleys partner program.

Suggestion from K.osborne- rent an ADA compliant port-a-potty. District 9 Firehouse Dance!

J.rowe will talk with councilman Richardson

2015-2016 officers:

- * President/Treasurer: Jeff Rowe
- * Vice-president: Steve Lugo
- * Secretary – Cia Kirchner
- * Grants (finding and applying) – Shawn Jones
- * Graffiti/trash – Dave Kirchner
- * Social/events – Maria Gonzalez
- * Community outreach/School liaison – Janet Lugo
- * Vacant positions: special events, fund raising, community watch, alley improvement

New business

New owners of Rose market are cleaning up. Jeff R. delivered info on grants and clean up.

-- Neighborhood yard sale – Saturday, Feb. 20th (Janet) L&L wants to be part of this

-- Seek Neighborhood Partners grant

-- Grant Elementary needs tutors in the fall- Janet will contact Kim Baril the principal

-- Grant table at L&L movie night 29 August

Open forum/Adjourn –

Is it possible to have unified/ matching fences for vacant lots to help reduce blight? Call America the beautiful.

Cal Re-leaf will provide trees for some projects... Fire station- use as model for lawn to garden project... Rain gutters project... Signal hill petroleum... DWP....

Neighborhood census taking- Light and Life church will have 30 volunteers supporting us in getting contact info from every home in the neighborhood. Have google maps printed and routes ready to go. Sean Fennerer is heading the project.

Houghton park Dine Out plan is district wide. Next meeting is Monday 24 August at Jovino's pizza from 6:30-8 pm. 11 restaurants are part of North Long Beach PBID.

Clear air forum at Houghton Park on September 12... Clean emission vehicles, etc. 9-12

Next meeting is September 10- with Chris Koontz from historic district. Cal heights is only north LB historic district. There are none in district 8 or 9. There are 17 total. Which is most recent- get info from those who launched... Ask questions, etc. craftsman, bluff heights, rose park south...

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting: 10 September 2015; Christopher Koontz, Advance Planning Officer and director of city historic district program will discuss how to apply for historic neighborhood status.