## GRANT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Monthly meeting-giving residents a voice-

American Legion Hall 7:00 pm

**Police report-** officer Riordan - here to collect information. 3 shifts: morning, afternoon and middle of night... 3:00 pm -1:00 am. 64th st remains an issue with loud mufflers setting off car alarms. Muffler modification is a violation. Speeding is a problem on 65th westbound to Cherry... Trash and pot smoking... Usually 5:00-7:00 pm. Continued prostitution and drug use in alley near Grant elementary... Witnesses need to make anonymous calls.

District 9 Report- invitations and events - support for community issues

**Approval of minutes-** to be done electronically

HISTORICAL DISTRICT process- Christopher Koontz - advanced planning officer city of Long **beach.gov** and historical preservation society.... Program began in 1997- 130 properties land marked.

Please refer to handout for specifics... Pros: increased sense of community, property value. Cons: any changes can be difficult to impossible to have approved. Wooden windows cost 2x as much as vinyl... Existing non-conforming is permitted... Intention: to preserve what exists and achieve community goals. 2nd stories esp. Difficult, but city will work with families if additions are needed... Block by block we need to find 60% of identifiable historic homes in tact... And non-conforming homes will also exist in the neighborhood... Color is reviewed... General guidelines are set. Spanish homes in the 30s is a series of paint colors at Home Depot... Half people willing to participate (not much involved) start with 1-4 blocks.Landscaping is excluded.

Let's start one block at a time to determine interest. Styles: Spanish, Spanish eclectic, post-war... Midcentury modern,

Speak with Dr. Kaye Brieqel, historian from CSULB and native Long Beach resident... City should recognize the proletariat homes here as well as the mansions on Ocean blvd.

Please consider new names for our neighborhood.... Grant is too generic. Additionally, Internet searches come up with money grants and not our neighborhood... I.e. Grant historic district refers to grants for historic districts.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: October 8, 2015