

Fox Canyon VOICE

WE'RE JUST WILD
About Our Neighborhood!

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All RESIDENTS and BUSINESSES of: all of LANTANA, RENO and AUBURN (4758-5175) DRIVES; all of ONTARIO, CASTLE, South of UNIVERSITY (4749-4919), East of EUCLID (3611-3889), West of WINONA (3810-3880 & all the paper street) and ESTRELLA (3803-3857) AVENUES; DWIGHT (4759-4792), WIGHTMAN (4750-4871), 49th (3801-3845) and 50th (3611-3623) STREETS and STERLING (4999-5083) COURT.

NEXT ASSOCIATION MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 13 @ 6:15 PM

5123 University Avenue, 92105

(Auburn Park apartments, community room)

Members of neighboring communities and the public are invited and welcome to this meeting!

Residents and all Association members will learn about the changes proposed for the loop Euclid/Reno/Estrella/University by the **CITY HEIGHTS URBAN GREENING PROJECT**.

Presenter:

Mr. MICHAEL PRINZ

Senior Planner, Planning, Neighborhoods & Economic Development Department, City of San Diego

Is there a cul-de-sac or a one-way street in your life?

Are there any driveways proposed for closure?

How will you know about the changes affecting your life, if you are not present at the meeting to hear the proposed project?

The meeting will start promptly at 6:15 pm sharp with this issue first on the agenda.

Fox Canyon residents and their friends will get together, listen and actively participate during this meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED



If you live within the boundaries and have been attending the Association meetings on a regular basis for at least the last two years, you are now eligible to become a member of the Fox

Canyon Neighborhood Association Board of Directors. The Board has two available seats for immediate occupation. Contact Jose @ (619) 282-2788 or foxcanyonn@aol.com to express your desire to serve.

IS THIS PERSON AFTER YOU?



OH, BUT OF COURSE, YES! He is.

Mr. McAllister is not after you to collect your property tax dollars, at least, not at this time. But he is definitely after you as he would like you to listen attentively to his presentation, the same as he would like to listen to your concerns, issues and opinions about the collection of property taxes and its regulations. Mr. McAllister will be attending and will be providing the main presentation at the **June 10, 2014** meeting. Pencil this meeting date in on your calendar, be there and listen to what he has to say! Be ready to express your property tax issues as well...

FIRE INSPECTIONS!

As noticed to all residents in a mass mailing, for the last four weeks, Inspectors from the Fire Department have gone home-to-home inspecting compliance with the Defensible Space and other fire safety issues. The extremely poor, elderly and disabled members of our community need your help to comply, see if you can lend a hand. For our communal safety, please discard all accumulated junk, storage in carton boxes, unused wood and flammable materials as well.

WENDY'S INTERVIEW - KPBS-



**TO READ THE ARTICLE
And WATCH THE
VIDEO:**

Click on the link, below or
cut and paste.
(For the link, THANKS Terri)

<http://www.kpbs.org/news/2014/apr/29/city-heights-residents-give-their-neighborhood-can/>

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5123 University Avenue

(Community Room at AUBURN PARK)

Proposed Agenda:

THE CITY HEIGHTS URBAN GREENING PROJECT

Presenter:

Mr. Michael Prinz

Senior Planner, Planning, Neighborhoods & Economic
Development Department, City of San Diego

And

Don't miss this opportunity, be there to personally greet, meet and
extend a warm WELCOME to the new Mid-City Captain

DAVID NISLEIT

Please make the effort to be at the meeting on time, thanks.

COME and JOIN US!

The BOARD of DIRECTORS

Will meet Wednesday May 21, 2014 @ 6:30 p

Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association, Inc.

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BYLAWS REVISING COMMITTEE

Meets Wednesday, May 28, 2014 @ 6:30 pm

(Neighbors and the public are welcome)

5123 University Avenue.

LAST MEETING NOTES

(April 08, 2014)

Neighborhood Issues and Concerns:

- **Missing sidewalks** need to be built at (1) corner of 52nd and Landis, right-hand side of the street and going all the way down to Lemona. (2) Wightman and Altadena, **BOTH** sides of the street on Wightman and going all the way to 52nd Street. (3) Altadena from the corner of Wightman to the church parking lot, and (4) corner Euclid and Isla Vista, eastside of Euclid going north to the clinic.
- **Water leak** 5123 University Avenue
- **Trailers and taxis** parked on the south of University from 50th to 52nd Streets monopolizing all available parking for residents and those attending meetings and creating huge visibility problems.
- **Creek to Bay Cleanup** and neighborhood sites
- **Neighborhood-wide garage sale.**

RENO/ESTRELLA LOOP ISSUES

Neighbors: please note that these were the issues, as we left the subject consideration about six years ago when we last had public meetings in an effort to remedy the situation. The following is my Executive Summary after the last meeting.

Jose

The Reno/Estrella residents see their quality of life greatly diminished and highly impacted by the negative issues on their street generated by

the liquor store, the bar, the windows and mechanic shops and other business located on University Avenue:

Parking:

- **The window shop** (the Egyptian Garage) parks up to four business trucks on Reno in addition to customers' trucks.
- **The liquor store** has but two parking spaces (*used by the store keepers at all operating hours*) and the overflow goes on to the Tower Bar' parking lot or along the residential street during the day. In addition, beer delivery trucks block the entrance to the street by double-parking when making deliveries.
- **The Tower Bar** parking overflows into the residential street blocking residents' driveways at all hours during the early evening and at night.

Traffic Flow:

- **Liquor Store:** Drivers use the entrance/exit driveways at the front of the Liquor Store (Euclid/Reno) as a right-hand turn shortcut from Euclid to avoid the traffic congestion and the stoplight (corner Euclid/University) and thereon speed through the loop to meet University again with a cut through at the Tower Bar parking lot or at the corner of Estrella; and also use the entrance/exit driveways to make left-hand turns cross traffic to head south on Euclid.
- **The Tower Bar** patrons, those who drive, blasts their music or loud talk when getting to (early evening) or when leaving the bar at high hours of the night disturbing the peace and quiet.
- **The mechanic shops** use the loop to test their car repairs.
- **Right-hand turn** onto Reno from University, in such a short space from Euclid, creates a dangerous plug when trucks are double parked on Reno Drive.

Traffic Accidents:

- There have been (up to date) three confirmed traffic accidents at the corner Reno/Estrella in which cars have crashed into front lawn fences and gone into private property. In all instances, drivers were drunk and leaving the bar.

PROPOSED Solutions to Remedy the Above:

- **Pedestrian Plaza:** Create and build a pedestrian plaza by **CLOSING** the street entrance at Reno from University and using the space for this purpose. The plaza will have a depth from the sidewalk to the driveway entrance of the Egyptian Garage those exit is on Reno. The Plaza will provide a designated cut-through for bicyclist.
- **Cul-de-sac** the Reno/Estrella loop by closing the entrance/exit at University leaving vehicular traffic and street parking dedicated to residents
- **The Tower Bar:** close the property's **south driveway** to stop the pass-through of traffic onto Reno/Estrella.
- **Noise:** the loud noise from traffic, music and talking is a disturbance to some nearby residents of the bar, and they suggest creating a hard noise barrier around the bar's parking lot and the closed driveway.
- **Parking:** paint green a couple of 15-min parking spaces on University, from the Tower Bar west, to provide stop and go liquor store customer parking and have the beer delivery trucks use the Tower Bar parking lot while delivering to the liquor store and the bar.
- **Demolish:** Kindly ask the Egyptian Garage property owner to demolish the existing shed (*attached to the building's front and onto the Reno side*). This will create a more esthetic building appearance, restore the building to its original (*circa 1920's*) appearance and provide for a couple of parking spaces for the store keepers (*see the Egyptian Garage picture, next page, without the shed*).
- **Driveways:** close the two driveways at the front of the liquor store and add the front space to the pedestrian plaza.
- **One-way street:** some neighbors support switching to a one-way

street (easier, done faster, not much money needed). If this were to be the final, they suggest the flow of traffic to go north/south on Estrella from University and east/west on Reno, out to a right turn only onto University providing for a better flow on a loop with traffic and not AGAINST traffic, if it were to be the other way around.

THE EGYPTIAN GARAGE



Notice that in this picture, the existing shed to the left was not built yet. With the Euclid Tower done, the pending Silverado Ballroom restoration, the removal of the shed and reopening of the window, Euclid side, the Egyptian garage will bring this powerful corner to life and historical significance, feeling and appearance.

ASSISTANT CHIEF T. JARVIS

Thank you and Goodbye letter from A/Chief T. Jarvis

It is with great pleasure that I introduce your new Captain of Mid-City Division, **Captain David Nisleit**. Dave has worked at Mid-City at every level throughout his career. His most recent assignments have been in the Gang Unit and as the Commanding Officer of Western Division. He is dedicated to the communities in the Mid-City Division and asked to return here to work with all of you. I know that City Heights leaders and residents will remember his dedication to your community as he served here as a service area lieutenant.

I have moved back to Headquarters to a new assignment after 2 ½ years as the Captain of Mid-City Division. It was the greatest honor of my career to work with the fine officers assigned here and with all of you dedicated community leaders. You truly have a special thing going here. Thank you all for the support of our division and your support of me, over the past couple of years. We have been through the darkest days of our division with the tragic murder of Officer Henwood and then, through some great successes. You have stood by our side, and for that, I will always be grateful. I have been touched by the tragedies we have experienced in this community and I know many of you have been affected by them personally, yet you continue to push forward.

I am happy to report that we have experienced a reduction in violent crime for the past five consecutive quarters. Street robberies have been reduced for every quarter in the past year and in two quarters, they were reduced 43% compared to the same period of the previous year. My stated goal for Mid-City Division was to reduce violent crime and the fear of crime. I know the hard working officers working in collaboration with the community have accomplished the first part of my goal and my hope is the community feels a little safer than you did a few years ago, based on the reduction in violent crime. I feel that I have left Mid-City Division a little better than I found it, which was no easy task coming in on the heels of Lawrence McKinney. Please continue to support our officers and Captain Nisleit just as you have supported me. I am confident that under his leadership, you will all take it to the next level.

Thank you and stay safe! Todd

THE MUNI CODE

SHEDS:

§129.0203 Exemptions from a Building Permit

(a) A Building Permit is not required for the following *structures* and activities. (1) One-story detached accessory buildings used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses, or similar uses provided the projected roof area is 120 square feet or less, (12X10), for the citations, thanks Jorge.

QUIET SUNDAYS:

§59.5.0404 Construction Noise:

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person, between the hours of 7:00 p.m. of any day and 7:00 a.m. of the following day, or on legal holidays as specified in Section 21.04 of the San Diego Municipal Code, with exception of Columbus Day and Washington's Birthday, or on **Sundays**, to erect, construct, demolish, excavate for, **alter** or **repair** any building or structure in such a manner as to create **disturbing, excessive** or **offensive noise** unless a permit has been applied for and granted beforehand by the **Noise Abatement and Control Administrator**. In granting such permit, the Administrator shall consider whether the construction noise in the vicinity of the proposed work site would be less objectionable at night than during the daytime because of different population densities or different neighboring activities; whether obstruction and interference with traffic particularly on streets of major importance, would be less objectionable at night than during the daytime; whether the type of work to be performed emits noises at such a low level as to not cause significant disturbances in the vicinity of the work site; the character and nature of the neighborhood of the proposed work site; whether great economic hardship would occur if the work were spread over a longer time; whether proposed night work is in the general public interest; and he shall prescribe such conditions, working times, types of construction equipment to be used, and permissible noise levels as he deems to be required in the public interest.

(b) Except as provided in subsection C. hereof, **it shall be unlawful for any person**, including The City of San Diego, to conduct any **construction activity** so as to cause, at or beyond the property lines of any property zoned residential, an average sound level greater than 75 decibels during the 12-hour period from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

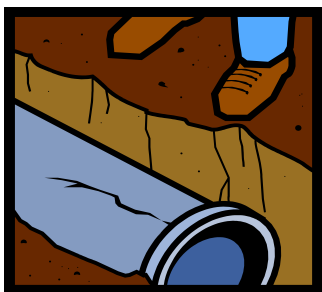
(c) The provisions of subsection B. of this section shall not apply to construction equipment used in connection with emergency work, provided the Administrator is notified within 48 hours after commencement of work (*Amended 1-3-1984 by O-16100 N.S.*)

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR DRIVEWAY CLEARANCE:

- **Parking, stopping or standing** a vehicle in front of a public or **private** driveway is a violation of California Vehicle Code § 22500 (e).
- A driveway clearance is intended to keep parked vehicles a sufficient distance away from the driveway edges to facilitate the operation of motor vehicles in and out of the driveway.
- Typically, a driveway clearance consist of **three to five feet (3-5)** on each side of the driveway.
- A driveway clearance constitutes a legal **"NO PARKING"** zone for all vehicles, including vehicles belonging to the resident of the fronting property.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

OLD WATER PIPES



Interest on the old water pipes going under some of the Euclid, Castle and Lantana properties were of a great concern for our neighbors whose homes were built right next to the pipes. When Chris investigated the issue (*about three or so years ago*), he and the Neighborhood Association were notified of the City's plan to abandon the use of the pipelines.

The Otay 1st and 2nd PL Abandonment - East of Highland" project will accomplish just that. The existing pipes (installed as early as 1915) will be abandoned in place. In order to decommission the pipelines, they will be completely filled with cement slurry which will prevent water (and soil) migration in the pipes. During the abandonment phase the contractor will locate the main within the City Street; this will provide access to place slurry into the pipes. Construction of the pipeline replacement will commence this June, 2014.

JOIN NEXTDOOR



When neighbors start talking, good things happen.
Nextdoor makes it easy to communicate with your neighbors about the issues that matter most in your community.

- Share recommendations about local services (e.g. babysitters, plumbers, dentists)
- Organize neighborhood events (e.g. block parties, neighborhood watch, community events)
- Report suspicious activities, help prevent crime, and receive updates from local police
- Connect with parents, pet owners, and other groups in your neighborhood
- Get to know your fellow neighbors so you can finally call them by name

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of what is ahead: with the changes in healthcare insurance due to the advent of the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare), it has many people puzzled and in the dark about what to do due to the many choices available which leads to great confusion. Disabled, senior citizens and young people alike need to have full knowledge of what to get, where to get and how the new law affects them all, full access to choices and their benefits along with the right kind of health insurance. We are planning to have a presentation at the July's meeting with two additional workshops following right after. I am working on two separate locations to accommodate our neighbors, their family and friends, along with member of the public; one workshop for seniors/disabled and one for the younger crowd. Although, everyone is welcome at any of the two workshops, I want to separate the two, somewhat; because of the issues and different needs of the two age groups. One is to deal with elder care and the other with the rest of the population, as you may imagine the topics are endless and we want to keep focused. **Hien Troung**, the presenter and I need your help! Please, choose between the following topics and let me know which ones are more appropriate to your needs:

- Cal Medi-Connect Program:** This is a demonstration program from the state of California that will affect **all seniors 65+ /Medicare & Medi-Cal** recipients who are currently receiving Medicare and Medi-Cal.
- Extra Help/LIS (Low Income Subsidy) Program:** This is a Social Security entitlement program that helps **seniors over 65+ /Medicare & Medi-Cal** recipients get assistance for their prescriptions.
- VA Aid and Attendance Program:** This program enables military veterans and their spouses to receive a pension for up to \$2,000 per month based on their war time services.
- Affordable Care Act:** How does the Affordable Care Act affects each individual and how does it affect each business owners.

At the July meeting presentation, we are going to announced the day, time and location of the two workshops. Please, make time to attend and get the right information to make the right choices, Jose Lopez, President

HOMELESS CAMPS

Although, finding the term a bit derogatory, the newsletter includes the word "homeless" in this article's heading to make a distinction. Some of our neighbors are kind people who like to help those in need and find it appalling to see humans live and sleep under such conditions. No one is against people suffering with this social ill, but they are totally against to what the camping people leave behind, which is destruction, infested belongings, bunches of dirty junk, trash, along with piles of human waste; conditions that put every one else at risk. One morning while visiting the Auburn Creek at Auburn Park, a man was busy at work cutting the native vegetation (*planted at this location with so much ado and hard work*) to make room for his camp space. In the last two months four (4) camps have been dismantled with the camping people chased from such locations, but who were offered help/temporary lodging by known non-profits organizations working with this segment of the population.



COMMONION AND ARRESTS

With urgency some of our neighbors wanted to know what was going on and the reason why the policemen were "hunting" and going through some of the canyon properties in hot pursuit. The unusual exitment lead to curiosity and to abate such, here is the reason why, please read on:

On 04-09-14 at 1254 hours at **4855 Auburn Drive**, vehicle abatement officer Robertson advised he had located a stolen vehicle with two suspects standing around it with one entering the vehicle on the driver side. Prior to approaching the scene, officers had set up a perimeter with the anticipation the suspects would flee. Once set, Officer Pimienta along with other units approached and arrived at the listed address. As police arrived, suspect #1 fled southbound through the property and the other, suspect #2 was taken into custody at the scene by Officer Schnautz.

Officers Weisenfluh, Morgan, and Hopper were set up on 4800 block of Wightman Street. They pursued suspect #1 through 4827 Wightman Street into the canyon behind the residence. Suspect #2 was taken into custody behind 4828 Lantana Drive without incident.

The everyday heroes who keep us safe did a **GREAT JOB!** Do not forget to give your proper thanks to the Officers this coming Association meeting!

WHAT DOES JULY HAVE FOR US?

Other than the 4th of July, attend the Association meeting (**July 8, 2014**) and you will fully know and find out. In the interim, following is a preview



April 26 has come and gone and here is the benefit of what it left behind:

The **Fox Canyon** site at **3575 Euclid/Dwight**; Wendy Miller was the Captain and Teri Siciliani the Co-captain. You may see the **KPBS** report and interview of Wendy by clicking (or cut & paste) this link: <http://www.kpbs.org/news/2014/apr/29/city-heights-residents-give-their-neighborhood-can/>

This site attracted a total of twenty-four (24) volunteers; fifteen (15) of them were kindly donated by **ACE Parking** from their labor force. We are deeply thankful to ACE Parking for the donation of their time, effort and help in improving our environment and the quality of our lives.



The **Auburn Creek** site at **3810 Winona** (Bandar Salaam); Heather Laird from CommunityHousingWorks (**CHW**) was the Captain. This site attracted forty-one (41) volunteers from CHW and also residents from the community of Bandar Salaam. This site had the greatest number of participating volunteers and families with children. Due to the fact that a couple of real deep ravines crisscross the creek, this site was the most difficult to access and had the biggest spread out area. The cement ditch, along the parking lot got a good spruced up as well.





The **Auburn (finger) Canyon** site at 4842 Auburn, Rob Maksimow, was the Captain. This site attracted a seventeen (17) volunteer team which included four (4) members from **C.R.A.S.H.** (Community Resources And Self Help of Marlborough Avenue) along with Keiko Suzuki, who lives on Auburn. Highlight of this site: the river of mattresses cascading down the opposite canyon wall, which was spectacular! Also spectacular was the effort and energy spent by Rob Maksimow and the volunteers who moved/transported the mattresses from the Reno side across a wide and steep canyon to the dumpster on Auburn Drive.

We extend heartfelt thanks to Keiko Suzuki for picking up litter and trash from the parkways and next to fences on Euclid/Auburn. Due to her effort Euclid and upper Auburn Drive were left totally clean. For going the extra mile & your smile, **THANK YOU KEIKO!** Our neighbors' efforts have to be commended, equally, from those who helped organize the cleanup sites to those who participated. Your effort shows your desire to live in a clean, healthy and happy neighborhood.

AUBURN CREEK at Auburn Park

[Saturday, 05/03/2014]



A handful of your neighbors showed up to help clean the Auburn creek

And park this last Saturday May 3rd. Litter and trash was picked up all along the south of University Avenue from 50th to 52nd Streets, from the cul-de-sac of "OLD" University, the creek, the park, and remnants of a camp were discarded.



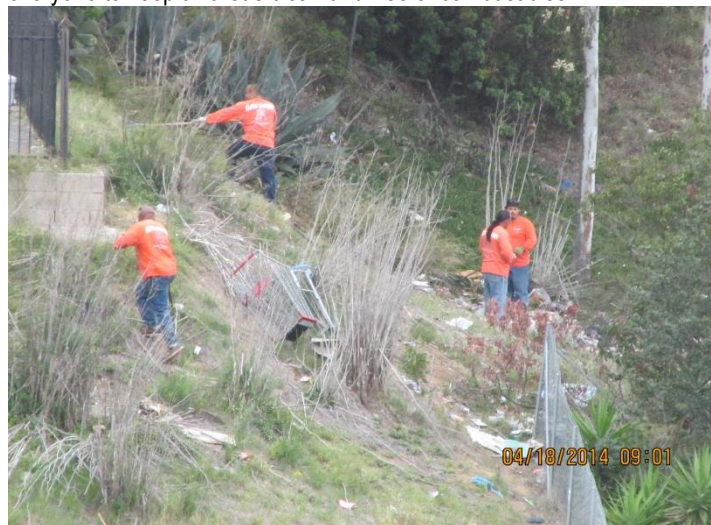
In addition, graffiti was painted over from the retaining wall, the culverts, the fence enclosing the park and the gazebo. The HEROES of this story were police officer Terry Hosking, Acting CRO, who without his help the bags of trash could not have been hauled up the hill from the creek to the sidewalk and Maximo Gomez who painted over all the graffiti by himself. Our dedicated many **THANKS** to Adriana, Travis, Maximo, Jose and Officer Hosking! We are grateful for your participation and your help in keeping our neighborhood, creek and park, clean and graffiti free.



ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



On or about April 18, 2014, real early in the morning, an Environmental Services Crew, headed by Officer Stacy Workman, was hard at work cleaning the terminus of Winona Avenue next to and behind 4999 Sterling Court. The Crew picked up a tad under **two (2) tons** of trash and discards. We are grateful to Stacy and her Environmental Services crew for such beneficial and welcome work to keep our open space clean of trash and debris. With such a harsh fire season, it is essential for everyone to keep all areas clean and free of combustibles.



PETCO PARK



The Board of Directors and their significant others participated in the Fox Canyon Day at Petco Park thanks to Councilmember Marti Emerald's, generosity and to Julio Rivera, Council Rep., who delivered the tickets. We all had a great time at Petco Park. Especially delightful was to be there during Military Appreciation Day and to see the Padres win 4/3. Relaxing day, wonderful settings, great friends and neighbors... And the local team did its best, it WON! Go Padres!

Thank you Marti!!!



TRAILERS



It seems that all of a sudden the south of University Avenue, between 50th and 52nd Streets, became an industrial park and a truck/taxi yard. On any good day, you may find up to six trailers parked along the line and in the spaces in between, taxis; some parked there over 72 hours. Last Saturday, May 3rd, the day of the cleanup, there was no logical place where to place the cleanup signs because the long wall of trailers was obstructing the view from the street, so no signs were hung. A secondary ill is that graffiti and taggers are also having a great opportunity to spread their monikers across state lines. Friday, May 2nd all the trailers got tagged with orange reflecting paint. Looking at the trailer trucks, they seem to belong to cross-state transportation companies. They need rent a truck yard nearby to store the trailers in between trips and return runs. Residents of the area and visitors to their homes have begun to speak out loudly and want a solution to the problem as soon as one can be found.



But the real problem with the line of trailers and taxis that park all along University, at this spot, is not the huge parking and visibility problems they create, but that the majority of them are in such BAD state of disrepair leaking oil and other motor fluids on the pavement; to the detriment of the creek below and pedestrian health from the fumes. We all know that all city storm drains are piped right into the creeks, ditches, cement channels and open space and water discharged through them is not properly treated out of pollutants, so highly polluted run-off water goes directly into our waterways... Huge problem!

Please make all possible effort to be on time to the meeting.

FOUND

While touring the neighborhood with Julio Rivera, we found this ID collar with rosary and door key attached. The item was picked up and wrapped in plastic, as instructed by Officer Roman as always to do when items like these are found on the ground. Funny thing, the ID address is from a community to the north of highway 8 and it was found on the ground in front of the park parcel on Wightman Street, clean; no mud, no sweat, no spots. The item will be turned in to Officer Hoskins at the May meeting.



LOOP'S TRAFFIC ISSUES

This letter was received from Transportation about the traffic issues on the Loop (Auburn/Wightman). Can wait to read the report this coming June.



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

April 7, 2014

TR 334, 361
R-Slip 14-1404-0030

Prince Joseph R. Lopez
4916 Lantana Drive
San Diego, CA 92105-2941

Dear Mr. Lopez:

Thank you for contacting the City of San Diego. The concern you submitted on April 7, 2014, was routed to the Transportation Engineering Operations Division for follow up. We will be investigating your concerns and will let you know the results of our investigation by June 9, 2014.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this concern, please call John Hannasch, Associate Engineer - Traffic, at (619) 533-3865.

Sincerely,

Sonia M. Graciano
Transportation and Storm Water
1010 Second Avenue, Suite 800
San Diego, CA 92101

cc: Sheryl Cyprian, Route Slip Coordinator, City of San Diego

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ASSOCIATION MEETING

[Tuesday, April 08, 2014]

Meeting called to order by President Lopez at 6:20 pm.

Meeting attendance was **nineteen [19] adults**, including: **Aida Castañeda**, Assemblywoman **LORENA GONZALEZ** office, (619) 338-8090; **Gabriel Gutierrez**, County Supervisor **RON ROBERTS** office, (619) 531-5544; police officer and CLO **Luis Roman**, Mid-City, (619) 516-3038; Acting CLO, police officer **Terry Hoskins**, Mid-City; **Linda Pennington**, San Diego Canyonlands (619) 972-4921.

Update(s)/Announcements: (1) Please see announcement flyers, (2) Board Officers are Rosilyn Davis, Vice-president; Callie Mae Rodriguez,

Vice-chair; Mercedes Martinez Shetter, Secretary; Cathy McLean, Treasurer; Board members: Doris Pierson and Rickie Brown and Jose Lopez is President. (3) Join the Bylaws Revising Committee meetings, Rodriguez and Pierson are committee members and Jose the Chair. (4) Meeting with Eric Bowlby and Linda Pennington this Friday, April 10 @ 10:00 am, Cathy, Callie and Doris will be attending the meeting. (5) Jose and Julio (Council Rep) will be touring Fox Canyon. (6) Julio will not be attending today.

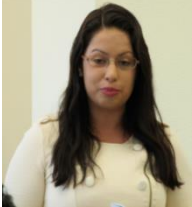
Off-Agenda Public Comment:

Linda Pennington: (1) Friends of Auburn Creek, Canyonlands meeting, (2) distributed literature and upcoming meeting day, time and place.

Neighborhood Issues and Concerns: (1) See, Last Meeting Notes p2.

Field/Comm. Rep's Reports:

Aida Castañeda:



(1) On behalf of Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez, I want to invite you to attend an Immigration Town Hall, Saturday, April 26, for more information here is the flyer with printed information, please pass it around to your friends and neighbors. (2) Lorena is working on AB 1522 that deals with sick leave. (3) I will be attending your meetings depending on time availability from other meetings in the community.

Gabriel Gutierrez: (1) here are the flyers for the Lawnmower Trade-In Event at Qualcomm Stadium this Saturday, May 3. (2) Ron is working and supporting AB1764, (3) County of San Diego HHSA on Aging & Independent Services Info and distributed flyers.

Police Officer and CLO Luis Roman, (1) Officer Terri Hoskins will be my temporary fill-in for the next two months. (2) Talked about Nextdoor San Diego, the network's importance and how to join in, distributed flyer. (3) Talked about the Creek to Bay Cleanup, City Heights sites, including, three in Fox Canyon and distributed flyer. (4) Crime issues: 3605 Euclid (X the clinic, Euclid/Dwight corner), between 22 and 23 thousand dollars were stolen in cash, tools and equipment. (5) Other crime issues are private reports while investigations are going on. (6) 4830-32 Auburn, issues close to be resolved.

PRESENTATION: NONE:

REFRESHMENTS: Kindly donated by Doris Pierson and Jesse Chavez

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 PM, to the Corporation of the FCNA Board of Directors meeting of Wednesday, April 2, 2014 @ 6: 30 pm.

Jose Lopez, President

BOARD MINUTES

[Board will meet Wednesday, May 21, 2014]

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DON'T BE TARDY TO THE PARTY...



TAGGERS AND GRAFFITI

Everyone could agree that graffiti is a constant issue in the City Heights Communities. It can equally be difficult for Officers to make an arrest on these incidents. Often the suspects flee the area before we arrive or they hear our vehicles and run prior to us arriving on scene. However, Wednesday night the story ended different. Officers responded to a report of four juveniles tagging in the area of 3500 Menlo Avenue. As expected, as Officers arrived on scene, all the gagers fled on foot, in different directions. Officers pursued on foot and eventually apprehended all four subjects. All four Juvenile subjects were arrested on various charges and booked into Juvenile Hall. A Huge "Shout Out" to those Officers involved in the incident. Awesome job! CRO Terry Hoskins

COMMUNITY COMMENT



Community Comment is requested in the CH sign design during the meetings of May 15, 22 & 29 @ 4: 00 pm, CHTC office 3795 Fairmount Ave.

DESIGN TASK FORCE

"San Diego Unified School District invites you or your representative to participate in the Design Task Force for the new theater and three-story classroom/administration building project at Hoover High School. You will join students, school staff, parents, neighbors, community members and the architect to discuss the general design of the school, and how it can best serve the students and the community for years to come. Please join us for the first Design Task Force meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 22, 2014, at Hoover High School, Room 1103, 4474 El Cajon Blvd., 92115." Rudy Vargas-Lima, Council Rep.

WATERFRONT PARK





THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
INVITES YOU TO BE A PART OF HISTORY AT THE

GRAND OPENING OF THE COUNTY'S WATERFRONT PARK

MAY 10, 2014

FESTIVITIES BEGIN AT 10 AM

A CELEBRATION OF OUR REGION'S DIVERSE ARTS AND CULTURE
INCLUDING A VARIETY OF FUN-FILLED ENTERTAINMENT,
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"Keeping the peace since 1836"

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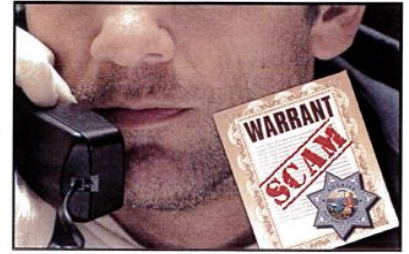
April 21, 2014

Warrant Scam

It's a startling phone call you could receive: "There's a warrant out for your arrest." A scam going on right now in many counties hopes that fear will cause you to act without thinking.

The caller is very pushy and poses as an employee of the Sheriff's Department. To make the pitch very convincing, the scammer will:

- use the name of an actual Sheriff's Department employee
- give the actual telephone number of a Sheriff's Station or Substation
- have some of your personal information such as a former address or your date of birth
- threaten you with jail time or taking away your driver license
- ask for more personal information
- ASK FOR MONEY either with a credit, debit or prepaid card



Impersonating a Sheriff's Deputy is a violation of state law. **REMEMBER**, no deputy or employee of the Sheriff's Department will ever contact members of the public by telephone to demand money or any other form of payment. If you get this type of call, hang up immediately.

People with outstanding warrants are encouraged to turn themselves in Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at any one of the Sheriff's Court Facilities <http://goo.gl/y0355>. For more information on warrants and bail notices, visit <http://goo.gl/J5N5g>. To check if you have an outstanding warrant in the County of San Diego, visit <http://goo.gl/J5N5g>.

To watch a safety video about warrant scams, follow us on YouTube: <http://goo.gl/sYmUlm>.

Media inquiries regarding the warrant scam can be directed to Lieutenant Jeff Duckworth of the Sheriff's Financial Crimes Unit at (858) 974-2322.

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The San Diego Sheriff's Department is also on [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [YouTube](#) [Google+](#) and www.sdsheriff.net



Neighborhood Beat



CPR Training in Your Neighborhood!

Councilmembers Emerald and Lightner are excited to invite you to join them at Neighborhood Beat, a city-wide community CPR training program. This FREE event is brought to you by San Diego Project Heart Beat and Rural/Metro Ambulance.



WHO:

All members of the community age 4 to 104 are invited to learn life-saving CPR and use an AED

WHERE:

University City Library
4155 Governor Drive

WHEN:

Saturday, May 17, 2014
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

NOTE: CPR certification is NOT provided

LEARN HOW TO:

- Perform CPR
- Use an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)

PLEASE RSVP:

Marisa Berumen
Committee Consultant
Council District 9
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5th Annual

Asian Cultural Festival San Diego

**Saturday
May 10, 2014
12 to 8 pm**

Over 14 Countries and Cultures represented

Cambodia | China | Hawaii | India | Indonesia | Japan | Laos | Malaysia
Myanmar | Philippines | Samoa | South Korea | Thailand | Vietnam and more!

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Between Clairemont Mesa and Raytheon Road

TWO ENTERTAINMENT STAGES

HOMEOWNERSHIP CENTER

CULTURAL DANCES

COOKING DEMOS

CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN

ASIAN FASHION SHOW

CULTURAL BOOTHS

ASIAN FOOD VENDORS

MARTIAL ARTS

LINEUP

SAN DIEGO KOREAN PUNGMOO SCHOOL
UCSD CHINESE DANCE ASSOCIATION
BUDDHIST TEMPLE OF SAN DIEGO ONDO DANCE
THREE TREASURES LION DANCE • SILK ROAD OF CHINA

KENNY ENG • JASON DIEGO • CADY MARIANO
PAKARAGUIAN KULINTANG • TERRY MATSUOKA
MOCHI CAFÉ • FAY MCGREW AND REYNA LERMA
KAREN BAMBOO DANCE • SAN DIEGO HULUSI BAND
SOUTHERN SEA DRAGON AND LION DANCE ASSOCIATION

SAN DIEGO JAPANESE CHORUS "THE HARMONIES"
SABOR ANDALUZ DANCE COMPANY • BLUE KANON
NARUWAN TAIKO • CATHERINE MAI PHUONG NGUYEN
DANCE ARTS CENTER • KALLOA O KALEO ONALANI
EXPRESSION ARTS AND CREATIONS • AND MORE!

*Line up subject to change.





Senior financial crime victims could receive aid from state fund under Block measure

SB 847 approved by Senate Public Safety Committee on 7 – 0 vote

SACRAMENTO – Seniors victimized by fraud and theft would be eligible for limited assistance through the state's Victim Compensation Fund under SB 847, a measure approved Tuesday in the Senate Public Safety Committee.

SB 847 by Senator Marty Block (SD-39) would add seniors and dependent adults who suffer financial abuse to the list of victims eligible to receive reimbursement for mental health and financial counseling from California's Victims of Crime Fund. The state fund is financed through restitution fines imposed on convicted defendants. Currently, crime victims may receive reimbursement for the financial or pecuniary losses they suffer as a direct result of criminal acts, but elder and dependent adult financial abuse is not among the crimes eligible for reimbursement.

"Seniors are easy targets for financial predators who take advantage of their loneliness, isolation and vulnerability," Block said. "The financial loss of savings and other income can be devastating, especially if it is caused by the acts of a trusted family member or friend. Elder victims need help to recover financially and emotionally." Block added for too many elders and dependent adults the loss results in depression, emotional distress, and even suicide.

SB 847 establishes a maximum reimbursement of \$1,000 for financial counseling and a combined reimbursement amount of \$2,000 for mental health and financial counseling. It is sponsored by the California Commission on Aging and also supported by the California Police Chiefs, AARP, Crime Victims United; the California Assisted Living Association, the Consumer Federation of California and the California Welfare Directors Association and others.



JOB OPENING IN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OFFICE

Dear Jose,

I'd appreciate it if you would help me spread the word and encourage qualified people you know to apply to an opening I have in my San Diego office. You will find more information about the job below. Thank you for your help!

Warm regards,

Susan

Staff Assistant - San Diego

Congresswoman Susan Davis's San Diego district office is searching for a full-time staff assistant. Job responsibilities include fielding constituent calls, processing mail, coordinating the internship program, assisting with casework and constituent requests for information, maintaining a photographic database, drafting correspondence, maintaining office equipment, and other administrative duties. In addition, the staff assistant occasionally represents Congresswoman Davis at community events.

This is an entry-level position. Applicants must possess strong communication, organizational and writing skills. Knowledge of the communities of the 53rd Congressional District is preferred.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: Applicants should submit a letter of interest, résumé, and a list of at least three work references. They should be submitted by email to: employment.davis@mail.house.gov. You will receive an email confirmation when your application has been received. **No phone calls please.**



Our Commitment to the President

Dear Jose,

Recently the Obama Administration called on organizations across the country to make public commitments to renewable energy deployment, and GRID Alternatives is answering the call. This morning I was on hand as President Obama announced these commitments at an event in Mountain View, CA. As part of this effort, **GRID Alternatives is announcing a new commitment to help install 100 MW of solar power on affordable single-family and multifamily homes across the country by 2024.** In addition, GRID Alternatives is announcing a new Tribal Solar Initiative to ensure that American Indian tribes across the US have access to the benefits of solar power. We believe in a successful transition to clean, renewable energy that includes everyone. We look forward to working with all of you, and with the Administration, to make this vision a reality. Thank you for being such an amazing community of supporter,

Erica Mackie

GRID Alternatives co-founder and CEO

San Diego  Archaeological Center
preserving pieces of the past

Please Save the Date

Annual Center BBQ

When

Saturday

June 7, 2014

11AM to 6PM

Where

**San Diego Archaeological Center
16666 San Pasqual Valley Road
Escondido CA 92027**

More details to come!