

# MAXWELL PARK NCPC – Meeting on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2003

## Minutes

**Present:** Robert McGillis (Vice Chair), Jan Hetherington (Secretary), Sarah Hipolito (treasurer), Officer Patterson (OPD), Capt Shinn (OPD), Araina Richards, (NSC-OPD), Alice Leon, Lita Fries, Jim Curtis, Shannon Risse, Michael Risse, Joe Davis, Darryl Stewart, Desley Brooks (Councilperson District 6), Eddie Christian (aide to Desley Brooks), Harvey Miller, Geri Sword, Kizer & Loretta Knight, Chastity Lockett, Brian Lazcko, Gary Busboom, K. Argyropoulos, Nick Stoughton, Celeste Burton, Lisa Huang, William Symmes, William Taylor, Louis & Annette Duvernoy, Yvette James, Beth Walukas, Ellen Goldstein, William & Evelyn Brown, Jon Hoffman, Willie Siu, Isaac Lassiter, Shirley Burton, Audrey Waters, Jeremy Gluskin, Aria Samuels, Joyce Gilliam, Barbara Cagar (apologies for any miss-spellings)

**Guest:** None

**Absent:** Jose Dorado (chair)

- **Robert McGillis (ViceChair) welcomed us to the meeting**

- **The Minutes** of the previous meeting were approved.

- **Board Reports**

**Jan** announced fliers for the Alameda County lead awareness program – free testing for your pre-1978 home.

Other Board items to be addressed during the meeting.

- **Community Policing:**

**Araina Richards (NSC)** distributed the crime stats for 3/1 – 4/8. There has been a considerable spike in residential crimes – homes & cars. It appears to be a ‘spree’, but may be isolated to one or two perpetrators. Most crimes appear to be happening in the mornings, & all home burglaries have been through OPEN DOORS & WINDOWS. It was stressed to make sure, particularly now it’s getting summer, to be diligent about locking up. ALSO, watch Doggie Doors!!! ALSO, get to know your neighbors, set up phone trees etc etc. Officer Patterson reiterated that we are our own best police – being watchful for unusual activities, people.

OPD has a free home security check service – call 238-3066 for an appt.

Some residents complained about the lack of responses from officers, investigators, dispatchers & the Top Brass. Investigations not being coordinated. Others praised the work that was done, & commented on lack of staffing, resources etc. **When you call in an incident, get the dispatcher number & incident number. Please write letters to Chief of Police, copying in City Manager, Mayor, Council people if you have complaints.**

**Community Policing Advisory Board** – Jim Curtis recommended again that we spend our allocated NCPC money. We now have an extra \$877 possible allocation. The issue about moving NSCs has been tabled for a while.

- **MPNCPC Grant Money**

A committee has come up with a number of ideas, the principal of Sherman school has a ‘wishlist’, & a suggestion of a digital camera was also recommended by Darryl Stewart, of Nate Miley’s office (chair of his NCPC). Action to make purchases will happen ASAP.

- **Hotspots**

- a) El Camille – No report
- a) Modesto St – a ‘Small Claims’ Action has been filed.
- b) Rawson – the house may be going on the market in July.
- c) Rawson 2 – no report.
- d) No issues with transitional housing or sideshows.
- e) There may be a new potential hotspot .... no info at this stage

- **Desley Brooks’s Office**

Desley Brooks & Eddie Christian were both present & Desley addressed the following items:

- a) There may be a Farmer’s Market On Macarthur & Seminary.
- b) ‘Whistle Tips’ – a bill was presented to the State & came out of committee on Monday, to increase the fines.
- c) Desley is having monthly ‘Town Hall’ meetings at Frick Middle School cafeteria – 2845 64<sup>th</sup> Ave. (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, 10A-12N). This month’s topic will be Public Works, & there will be staff at the meeting.
- d) Intergenerational discussions, 10A-1p, Eastmont Town Center, lower level walkway. 5/3 - ‘School’s Out’ – family & children’s resource, 11A-4p, Eastmont Town Center, ground floor.
- e) Questions about tree roots etc. A contract was recently signed to work on 2,000 issues. However, there are 11,000 outstanding ones ....
- f) Redistricting. There is a slightly modified new map that will be voted in soon (not sure of date). Maxwell Park will be split between District 4 & 6. New map can be seen on [www.oaklandnet.com](http://www.oaklandnet.com)

- **COMMITTEES**

**CORE/MPERT**

There is a CORE 3 training on 4/26, 9am – 3:30pm. There are also trainings being set up by Jean Quan’s office – 5/3 & 5/10. For more info see the April Metro, or contact Alice Leon at [alice@creativemark.net](mailto:alice@creativemark.net)

**‘Clean Up’**

We have an official Oakland Earth day project. **Marvelous Maxwell Park.** Fliers were distributed. We will pick up trash, weeds from the Redding Street, High to Birdsall (depending on people, time etc.). See [www.oaklandshines.com](http://www.oaklandshines.com) for all projects.

This will be the start of an ongoing cleanup/planting project.

**P.A.C. Report**

Joe Davis reviewed the history of this project & announced that MPNCPC did resign from the PAC to allow a community group that is more directly affected by this project. (Our NCPC is outside the project boundaries.) The Eastmont NCPC has been appointed, & a rep has attended their first meeting (April 7). Joe will continue to attend as a ‘bridge’ for as long as needed.

- **Other Business/Announcements**

- a) A resident announced that AC Transit is considering cutting the no. 47 Bus which is the only bus going through Maxwell Park & connecting to Fruitvale. Please contact AC Transit to give your opinion. Web Site – [actransit.org](http://actransit.org). Note: There are public meetings coming up – see web site.
- b) Darryl Stewart of Nate Miley’s office announced a ‘Town Hall’ meeting on Violence prevention on Wed 4/30, 6:30p-9:30p, Eastmont Town Center, Self Sufficiency center

- **Next Meeting - Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003, at the Sherman School.**

- **Jan Hetherington, Secretary**

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