

MAXWELL PARK NCPC – Meeting on Wednesday, June 9th, 2004

Minutes

Present: Jose Dorado (Chair), Robert McGillis (Vice Chair), Jan Hetherington (Secretary), Jeremy Gluskin (Treasurer), Claudia Jimenez (Jean Quan's Office), Mica Miro (Desley Brooks' office), , Araina Richards (OPD), Officer Johnson (OPD), Sarah Hipolito, Joe Davis, Beth Castroll, Steve Tighe, Clara Kamunde, Arian Mohit, Colleen Brown, Jane Stallman, Isaac Lassiter, Montia Chiles (with apologies for any misspellings)

Guests:None

Board Absent: None

- **Jose Dorado (Chair) welcomed us to the meeting.**
- Minutes for May were approved, with addition of extra member present.

- **COMMITTEES**

CORE – No rep present.

CLEAN/UP – Redding Street staying relatively trash free. A request has been submitted to Claudia (Jean Quan's office) to have access to a City Water Truck to water the plants. More mulch needed on 'Spot' (plus weeds are picking up again). There is interest in keeping up with the cleaning that was done at Pierson/MacArthur.

Note: A request is in to Transportation to get some more median barriers at the 'No Left Turn' location. They are also looking at the lack of yielding when traffic comes OFF 580 at High Street & turns left.

MURAL project – No new info.

- **GUEST SPEAKER** – no guest

- **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Desley Brooks – Mica Miro represented Desley Brooks.

- 1) Millsmont Farmer's Market still happening. Please support!!.
- 2) Desley's June 12th Townhall meeting will address this Liquor Stores, Public Works & sidewalk trees, & the new East Oakland Community High School proposed for the Luther Burbank site.
- 3) A map showing the District 4/6 split in Maxwell Park was available

Jean Quan – Claudia Jimenez addressed the following issues:

- 1) Leadership Summit on May 22nd was very successful – about 200 people attended. More detailed report later.
- 2) Laurel Streetscape – groundbreaking on 6/18 at 9am, at Ace Hardware. The plan includes, benches, lights, trees, bulb-outs etc.
- 3) Meeting with AC Transit – 47 bus will not be cut.
- 4) Homeless guy (end of freeway ramp) was arrested recently. He had outstanding warrants - & many names. It's hoped that help will be found for him. Cal Trans has cleaned the area.

- 5) There was some concern that speed bumps were going to be removed from Monticello, but this was unfounded. They are staying. However, radar screens to show you your speed will be placed along Monticello & High, at different days/times.
- 6) 7/1 – opening of Boys’ & Girls’ Club on High Street. It was moved & approved to offer the NCPC Karaoke machine to a school that was recently robbed again. (Previously offered to B&G Club but not taken up). Letter to be written to .

Darryl Stewart – from **Supvr Nate Miley’s** Office

- 1) Healthy Living Festival takes place at Lake Merritt on Jul 9, 10am – 2pm, to promote Health & Wellness in Alameda County.
- 2) The District has \$103m deficit. There will be layoffs

- **COMMUNITY POLICING**

Araina Richards, our NSC, reported mix-up with NCPC funding this year – some NCPCs spent much more than \$500 & were reimbursed. We spent \$500 & now our remaining \$377 is in doubt]

Need to “pump up” attendance. Need suggestions to boost. New/updated brochures need to be made. Mica said Desley might pay for reproductions. “Welcome Kits” should go to realtors (suggestion by recently moved-in members). Kate Phillips, with Wells & Bennett, is a neighbor & has received some brochures. Araina always invites realtors to our meetings. (Farmers Market, neighborhood support groups are selling points).

Officer Johnson said that Officer Madison is still out injured. Officer Johnson will be cycled into patrol 6/26 – 7/16, so will not be avbl as PSO. All PSO’s are being cycled through.

‘**Quality of Life**’ ‘walk around’ day is the 2nd Thursday of each month. Let Araina know of issues that the team can check out.

Fireworks (buy, sell, use, transfer, possess) are ILLEGAL. Call the new Fireworks Hotline – 510-238-2373 to report firework activity. Jose planning on flyering their block

Warning to **KEEP DOORS/WINDOWS** locked - Juveniles out from school. Petty crimes go up.

There was a request for data on ‘solved crimes’. This info is currently not available due to staff shortages. We should write & request

- **Hotspots**

- a) Modesto – Lawyers representing the mother of Cha Cha in case against County et al may want to speak to neighbors.
- b) Virginia Avenue Church – There was an informal meeting with Church leaders, but no improvement yet. It’ll be reviewed. One issue is that several groups use the church premises. Church has been there since 1953 & ‘Conditional Use’ permit doesn’t apply.

- **OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a) Jose & Robert met with Chief Word to discuss ‘culture’ of OPD/residents. To be ongoing.
- b) ‘Pocket Bikes’ should not be ridden on streets.
- c) ‘Fish Fry’ at Mills Grove church on Sat, Jun 12, 11am – 3pm.
- d) Colleen Brown (CPAB) invited us to the hearing on the Violence Prevention Measure at City Hall on Jun 29th, 7pm.

- **Next Meeting - Wed, July 14th, 2004, at MILLS COLLEGE, 7 – 8:30pm**

- **Jan Hetherington, Secretary**

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