



**CITY OF OAKLAND
COMMUNITY POLICING ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, April 7, 2021
6:00 PM
Via Teleconference**

Board Membership:

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Vacant (Dist. 1), Carol Wyatt (Dist. 3), Vacant (Dist. 4),
Jorge Lerma (Dist. 5), Donald Dalke (Dist. 6), Kirby Thompson (Dist. 7),
Art Douglas Blacksher (At Large), Vacant (NW),
Geraldine Wong (NW), VanCedric Williams (OUSD), Ericka Parker (OHA),
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and the organization they are representing, if any.*

1. Amending / Re-Drafting Resolution 79235: (6:00 - 6:45)

A Community Discussion on Proposals for a Broader Philosophy for an Amended Resolution.

2. CPAB Recommendations for the FY 2021-23 Budget (6:45 - 7:15)

3. Open Forum (7:15 - 7:25)

4. OPD Report (7:25 - 7:50)

- Officer Appreciation Shout-outs
- Update on Sideshow Enforcement and Mitigation Strategies through Traffic / Environmental Design
- Update on Lake Merritt Enforcement
- Community Policing Projects

5. NSC Report (7:50 - 8:10)

- NSC Appreciation Shout-outs
- A Discussion on how to fully utilize the NSC Report

6. Re-Imagining Public Safety Task Force Update (8:10 - 8:20)

7. OUSD Outreach Update (8:20 - 8:23)

8. Approval of Meeting Minutes (8:23 - 8:26)

- March 3, 2021 – DRAFT Meeting Minutes

9. Agenda Building and Staff Report (8:26 - 8:35)

Chair - Board Member Mid-Year Check-in + Feedback:
Scheduling One-on-One Meetings between the Chair and each CPAB Member

Re-Drafting Resolution 79235

Is Community Policing the Right Philosophy for our Block and Neighborhood Framework?

In 1996 City Council passed Resolution 72727, later amended in 2005 by Resolution 79235 (the “Resolution”), establishing Oakland’s Community Policing Program and affirming “Community Policing” as Oakland’s public safety policy and philosophy. The Resolution also created a robust structure of block-level organizations and Neighborhood Councils (“NCs”) as well as the Community Policing Advisory Board.

On the first page of the Resolution, this structure is described through the framework and philosophy of community policing. But as we revisit the Resolution 16 years later, **we must ask whether community policing is the appropriate term and philosophy to animate, shape and guide our involvement in our neighborhoods and our relationships with our neighbors, and, perhaps most importantly, whether it is the framework that is most likely to inspire community engagement and participation, given our current political and social environment.**

“Community Policing” vs. “Community-oriented Policing”

The term “community policing” itself is wrought with vagueries and often means different things to different people. For some community members, “community policing” evokes an image of someone peeking behind a curtain and calling the cops or, much worse, the actions of George Zimmerman that led to Trayvon Martin’s death. But for others it means a community working and communicating with law enforcement to solve problems and maintain safety.

Then there is the term “community-oriented policing,” which some understand to be the idea of police officers building relationships with residents, walking the beat and working collaboratively and transparently on problem-solving projects with residents. “Community-oriented policing” focuses on the *officer-resident* relationship, which should very much continue to be developed and supported, however, many would argue that “community policing,” as it relates to the neighbor-to-neighbor relationship, has a chilling effect on community participation and carries with it a connotation of retribution and enforcement rather than fellowship, healing, love and restorative justice.

A Broader Scope for our Blocks and Neighborhoods

Ultimately, much of the work being done across blocks and Neighborhood Councils is already much broader than the narrow definition of community policing would suggest. There are robust policy discussions, democracy-building activities, public health and safety sessions, beautification projects, friendly, fun gatherings, peace walks and solidarity marches. Consider whether Neighborhood Councils should be associated with and known for this broader scope of community action beyond just policing. That is not to say that OPD should be removed from this structure -- OPD remains a member of our community and community-oriented policing is

important not only for public safety but also to help build trust and develop relationships with the community. But, please consider whether it is the community that should be the centerpiece of this structure rather than law enforcement and whether a community-led framework might lead to more engagement and participation.

Below are themes that have come up in conversations with CPAB members and NC leaders and in NC meetings over the past several months. In light of the commentary above, please consider whether an approach or philosophy that might include the themes below or others that reflect a broader scope of community action is appropriate for our block and neighborhood structure.

1. Block and Neighborhood Empowerment
2. Community Fellowship
3. Community Organizing
4. Neighborhood Collaboration and Coordination
5. Restorative Justice
6. Democratic Participation
7. Community-led Support and Safety

CPAB Budget Recommendations

1. Increase funding for Neighborhood Councils (“NCs”)

- a. Increase funding of NCs to \$[12,000]¹ per NC (45 total) for a total of [\$540,000] per year or [\$1,080,000] total.
- b. The CPAB would request that NCs prioritize the use of funds for neighborhood engagement and fellowship-building or neighborhood projects that are visible and outward-facing (e.g., beautification, infrastructure, restoration, etc.).

2. Issue \$250 Stipends for 20 Neighborhood Stewards / Ambassadors

- a. Issues stipends of \$250 per month for 20 neighborhood stewards or ambassadors (approx. \$60,000 per year or \$120,000 total)
- b. The neighborhood steward or ambassador program would prioritize beats that are experiencing gun violence or (ii) a scarcity of resources and services

3. Create a \$50,000 Fund for Block-level Organizations or Groups

- a. Provide \$25,000 per year, or \$50,000 total, for the issuance of fifty \$500 grants (25 total) to block-level groups, prioritizing beats that are experiencing (i) gun violence or (ii) a scarcity of resources and services.
- b. The \$500 grant could be used for increasing block engagement, fellowship-building or block-specific projects that are visible and outward-facing (e.g., beautification, infrastructure, restoration, etc.).

4. Provide \$25,000 in funding for CPAB-sponsored NC Chair or Community Trainings and Workshops

- a. Provide \$25,000 per year, or \$50,000 total, for CPAB-sponsored training.
- b. Training might include topics such as inclusive, community-based leadership, de-escalation training, navigating City resources and departments, neighborhood dispute resolution and mediation, grant-writing and community organizing.

5. Increase Neighborhood Service Coordinator (“NSC”) staffing from 7 positions to 12 positions, inclusive of one supervisor position.

- a. Five additional NSC positions will decrease the average number of beats to which each NSC is assigned allowing each NSC to devote more time and resources to each beat

¹ Amounts to be discussed during 4/7 CPAB Meeting.

- b. Priority assignment of NSCs could be given to beats that are experiencing gun violence or (ii) a scarcity of resources and services
- c. Hiring of new NSCs should take into consideration and prioritize applicants that are residents of neighborhoods impacted by gun violence and other public safety issues

Total Budget Expenditure Requested excluding NSC positions: [\$1,300,000]

OPD Monthly Report

In an effort to ensure more effective data-gathering and more efficient use of CPAB meeting time, the CPAB has created a process by which you will submit, on a monthly basis, updates from your community policing projects and strategies. These updates will be reviewed and discussed by the CPAB and will offer an avenue for more targeted and efficient dialogue. Please submit your responses to the questions below.

1) Full Name and Title

Acting Captain Alan Yu – Area 1

2) Relevant OPD Crime Statistics with Explanation

Please see Citywide and Police Area 1 Year-To-Date Crime Reports for the last available period.

The increase in violent crime when comparing this year against last is concerning for Area 1 and the city as a whole. As of March 28th, Area 1 Shootin(Homicides + Firearm Assaults) are up 73% Year to Date. Many shootings are gang-related based in Area 1 known gang territories in West Oakland (Acorn, Cypress and Ghost-town). These shootings are discussed and reviewed with OPD Ceasefire and Department of Violence Prevention partners on a weekly basis and are prioritized for numerous treatment and prevention strategies. To Assist with a prioritized and collaborative focus on shootings and homicides (currently increased by 124% compared to this time last year) the Oakland Police Department has reorganized Crime Reduction Team units and others to form the Violent Crime Operations Center (VCOC).

- **Violent Crime Operations Center:** Due to the increase in violent crime throughout the City of Oakland, the Department will implement a Citywide violent crime operations center with support staff and field resources to coordinate Citywide enforcement actions. The Violent Crime Operations Center will be tasked with providing a focused and timely response to homicides, shootings, all gun-related crimes and supporting the Department's Ceasefire strategy. The Violent Crime Operations Center will be led by a Captain of Police assigned under the Bureau of Investigations and will include two lieutenants, members from the Crime Gun Intelligence Center, The Intel Cell, and five Crime Reduction Teams realigned from the Area Special Resource Sections. The Violent Crime Operations Center commander will be responsible for the Citywide crime plan and strategic prioritization of crime response and follow-up actions, as well as maintain operational authority over all specialized units as needed. The Operations Center will work closely and collaboratively with Ceasefire teams, Area Commanders, and criminal investigators.

As the health restrictions lessen, we can predict an increase of burglaries/robberies in the Oakland downtown area as more businesses reopen. Area 1 will direct non-VCOC resources to ensure our downtown business restart vibrantly, but we will need assistance. The CRO team is in communication with the Downtown Ambassadors and any other crime prevention groups. The OPD Crime Analysis Unit is producing Area 1 robbery and burglary reports based on location and “hot” days/hours in the week (See Attachment). OPD CRO team will push that information to our community partners to focus our community efforts and be more efficient with our overall prevention efforts.

For example, robberies spiked in the Chinatown Area in January with 11 robberies. A focused effort of visual deterrent (OPD Command Vehicle) and police cars were parked in the main thoroughfares of Chinatown. The Asian Advisory Committee on Crime pushed out crime locations/times to multiple community groups and recent Anti-Asian Crime Volunteer Groups. With the combined efforts of the entire community, the robberies were reduced to 2 robberies in February. As Chinese New Year was February 12th, the immediate reduction is a definite success.

3) Community Policing Projects and Updates

Project: 4x – Downtown Cabaret Clubs

CRO: Officer Nathaniel Walker – 8938

Supervisor: Sgt. A. Jones - 8596

Project – Illegal Cabaret Presentation

4) Please provide data on the number of non-emergency 911 calls that were successfully diverted to community partners or alternative first responders.

Diversion programs are not yet in place.

5) Please indicate areas in which the CPAB can support, and engage NCPCs and block level ambassadors in supporting, community policing strategies and initiatives.

As noted in the crime update section, the vehicle and commercial burglaries will likely increase as more businesses continue to reopen in the Downtown area. Acting Captain Yu and the Area 1 CRO Team will continue to be in communication with our NCPC and Ambassadors to forward our recent and predictive crime trends/times/locations to give our community crime prevention efforts the most up to date guidance/information.

The sharing of information and crime prevention successes will build the positive momentum we need to keep our communities safe.

6) Please feel free to share any other updates, areas of progress, concerns or Complaints

Nothing additional.



Weekly Crime Report — Citywide

22 Mar. – 28 Mar., 2021

Part 1 Crimes <i>All totals include attempts except homicides.</i>	Weekly Total	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD % Change 2020 vs. 2021	3-Year YTD Average	YTD 2021 vs. 3-Year YTD Average
Violent Crime Index (homicide, aggravated assault, rape, robbery)	135	1,285	1,400	1,542	10%	1,409	9%
Homicide – 187(a)PC	2	17	10	33	230%	20	65%
Homicide – All Other *	-	1	-	1	PNC	1	50%
Aggravated Assault	61	603	655	775	18%	678	14%
Assault with a firearm – 245(a)(2)PC	10	59	66	136	106%	87	56%
Subtotal - Homicides + Firearm Assault	12	77	76	170	124%	108	58%
Shooting occupied home or vehicle – 246PC	12	56	75	144	92%	92	57%
Shooting unoccupied home or vehicle – 247(b)PC	8	25	29	69	138%	41	68%
Non-firearm aggravated assaults	31	463	485	426	-12%	458	-7%
Rape	-	50	62	18	-71%	43	-58%
Robbery	72	615	673	716	6%	668	7%
Firearm	37	226	203	288	42%	239	21%
Knife	1	28	61	41	-33%	43	-5%
Strong-arm	13	265	326	222	-32%	271	-18%
Other dangerous weapon	-	21	18	20	11%	20	2%
Residential robbery – 212.5(a)PC	-	21	21	25	19%	22	12%
Carjacking – 215(a) PC	21	54	44	120	173%	73	65%
Burglary	65	3,110	3,528	1,657	-53%	2,765	-40%
Auto	52	2,494	2,959	1,292	-56%	2,248	-43%
Residential	7	422	354	208	-41%	328	-37%
Commercial	2	159	167	92	-45%	139	-34%
Other (Includes boats, aircraft, and so on)	2	30	37	41	11%	36	14%
Unknown	2	5	11	24	118%	13	80%
Motor Vehicle Theft	101	1,560	1,871	1,917	2%	1,783	8%
Larceny	31	1,648	1,856	1,124	-39%	1,543	-27%
Arson	1	29	35	45	29%	36	24%
Total	333	7,633	8,690	6,286	-28%	7,536	-17%

THIS REPORT IS HIERARCHY BASED. CRIME TOTALS REFLECT ONE OFFENSE (THE MOST SEVERE) PER INCIDENT.

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All data extracted via Coplink Analytics.



Weekly Crime Report — Area 1

22 Mar. – 28 Mar., 2021

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Violent Crime Index (homicide, aggravated assault, rape, robbery)	21	268	285	220	-23%	258	-15%
Homicide – 187(a)PC	-	5	2	4	100%	4	9%
Homicide – All Other *	-	-	-	-	PNC	-	PNC
Aggravated Assault	12	111	124	120	-3%	118	1%
Assault with a firearm – 245(a)(2)PC	-	12	9	15	67%	12	25%
Subtotal - Homicides + Firearm Assault	-	17	11	19	73%	16	21%
Shooting occupied home or vehicle – 246PC	4	7	9	25	178%	14	83%
Shooting unoccupied home or vehicle – 247(b)PC	2	5	3	10	233%	6	67%
Non-firearm aggravated assaults	6	87	103	70	-32%	87	-19%
Rape	-	13	18	2	-89%	11	-82%
Robbery	9	139	141	94	-33%	125	-25%
Firearm	3	39	24	24	0%	29	-17%
Knife	1	7	12	7	-42%	9	-19%
Strong-arm	3	75	90	37	-59%	67	-45%
Other dangerous weapon	-	5	6	4	-33%	5	-20%
Residential robbery – 212.5(a)PC	-	3	4	3	-25%	3	-10%
Carjacking – 215(a) PC	2	10	5	19	280%	11	68%
Burglary	8	802	929	410	-56%	714	-43%
Auto	7	715	808	342	-58%	622	-45%
Residential	1	32	61	28	-54%	40	-31%
Commercial	-	45	43	21	-51%	36	-42%
Other (Includes boats, aircraft, and so on)	-	9	13	14	8%	12	17%
Unknown	-	1	4	5	25%	3	50%
Motor Vehicle Theft	14	227	224	268	20%	240	12%
Larceny	10	406	411	217	-47%	345	-37%
Arson	-	9	3	8	167%	7	20%
Total	53	1,712	1,852	1,123	-39%	1,562	-28%

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Memo

March 31, 2021

To: Community Policing Advisory Board

From: Felicia Verdin
Community Programs Supervisor
Neighborhood Services Division (NSD)

CC: Joe DeVries, Director, Interdepartmental Operations
Neighborhood Service Coordinators (NSC)
NSD, Police Service Technicians (PST)

Subject: Monthly report from NSD

Successful community partnership/priorities

- Easter Basket Giveaway with the Oakland Black Officers Association (OBOA). On April 2nd, officers and NSCs will be visiting several locations Citywide to deliver Easter Baskets to children. (First come, first serve)
- The Shattuck Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council (NCPC) is working with Children's Hospital staff to address residential parking concerns.
- In Adams Point, beat 14x, the Neighborhood Service Coordinator, setup and coordinated a Patrol Walk-through Pilot Project. Adams Point residents, Neighborhood Council Steering Committee members and the Community Policing Advisory Board chair, walked through Adams Point on Wednesday 3/24 introducing assigned Beat 14 (Adams Point) OPD officers to the business owners and residents. The purpose of the walk was to give the officers and residents the opportunity to discuss crime, blight, vandalism, and community partnerships.
- The Adams Point Neighborhood NCPC with the help of the Neighborhood Services Coordinator (NSC) organized a socially distanced neighborhood walk on the morning of Saturday, March 27th. The NSC provided support and guidance, other NSC support, Starbucks donation, social media publicity, outreach flyers, sign-in and name tag support, youth volunteers and organized OPDs presence and participation. Chief Armstrong, the Area Lieutenant and Sergeant were all in attendance. The community walk serve was organized:
 - In remembrance of Mr. Pak Ho, Ms. Courtney Osegueda, and unnamed individuals, who

recently died from acts of violence in the Adams Point Neighborhood.

- As a declaration of our neighborhood's shared values.
- As an expression of our shared grief and support for those who have experienced loss and/or violence in the neighborhood.
- To walk in solidarity with the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community in Adams Point, Oakland, and throughout the country.
- To promote a safe, connected, and caring neighborhood for all.
- On 20 March 2021, the community came together to clean the median on Bancroft Ave. This multi-beat event spanned Bancroft from 67th to 82nd Avenues and had three different on-site hosts located at 67th, 77th, and 82nd. With support from 30x (*Havenscourt Neighborhood Association* and *Arroyo Viejo Association of Neighbors*), 30Y Eastmont Neighborhood Council, volunteers from Beat 35, and Oakland's City Council District 6 Office, the median was cleaned, and the neighborhood beautified.
- During our Beat 15X Neighborhood Council meeting on 3/9/21, safety leaders in neighboring Bella Vista/San Antonio and The [Good Brotha Network](#), gave a presentation on their work in community and how they could potentially partner with the Cleveland Heights NC to support their outreach and community connection efforts associated with Lake Merritt and beyond. I will share updates as this relationship develops.
- Beat 19X is dealing with ongoing prostitution and human trafficking issues. The new owners of a hotel in the neighborhood are working with a security consulting group to better understand the area to address major concerns. The NSC set up a meeting with the consulting group with the beat 19X CRO. The issue is that pimps/johns book rooms and pass the key cards to the women/girls. They are open to the idea to have a "do not rent list", so I have also set up a meeting for VICE to meet with the owners to develop a do not rent list. The CRO has also recommended a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) security survey for the properties to issues such as stolen cars and vehicle break ins. They seem very receptive to the recommendations that the CRO provided and are proactively trying improve the property
- In beat 22Y, there have been two (2) shootings at a park, a CPTED was just completed on 3/17/2021 and the CRO was there as well to help address the residents' concerns. H will be conducting high visibility patrols to deter activities that are happening around the park. The CRO will provide and update at the next NCPC meeting.
- Beat 33 CRO, Director of Tassafioranga and the NCPC are working on an Easter event where Officer Hop will be giving out Easter eggs and safety tips to children on the beat.

Select beats with challenging projects

- Unsheltered individual living under the underpass at 106th & MacArthur. Daryel Dunston, CRO's, Project Dignity have all been out to offer services to this individual. Currently, he is refusing all services.
- A tree on 53rd Street was finally cutdown because it violated the Americans with Disability Act. The tree was not safe and the sidewalk was severely damaged. The NSC was able to navigate the system and address the issue with major support provided by the Oakland Public Works Department. The neighborhood is happy to have this long-standing issue resolved.
- In beat 4x, building residents in an apartment building have contacted the NSC to address noise complaints emanating from a clothing store on Broadway. The NSC is working with the City Attorney's Office to address these concerns.
- In the Nothgate neighborhood, beat 8X Neighborhood Services Coordinator and the Police Services Technician scheduled a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) at Korean Plaza Market. The issues KP has been experiencing are auto break-ins (recently there's been a few incidents with customers in their vehicle when it happened), commercial break-ins, homeless issues (mostly, trespassing), shoplifting, and graffiti. We are working with KP on recommendation from the CPTED walkthrough.
- The most recent effort of the Beat 31Y/Z, is the growing push to encourage more neighbors to be a part of the NC from 31Y is gaining popularity. There will be a new NC Board election for 31Y on 4/13/21, and a concerted effort to have a more balanced resident representation on the NC will follow via outreach efforts by current NC members.
- Attendance at 18XY/19X has declined. I have tried to reach out and many did not want to attend the meetings. The NSC will be meeting with the council aids from District 2 and District 5 to brain storm ideas to increase attendance
- Beat 26 is dealing with abandoned vehicles and a mechanic operating in a residential area. Captain Fleming has coordinated with abandoned auto and parking enforcement to tag and abate vehicles. CRO is working to educate residents on not placing cones on street to save parking spaces. Residents are calling in and reporting activity to 311. It is difficult to explain to residents that city is stretched thin when it comes to towing vehicles throughout the city. Unless code compliance is able to address the mechanic in the area this issue will continue.

List of select community priorities

- Working with Greg Minor, Nuisance Abatement, Sgt. R. Johnson, CRO K. Armstead, Neighborhood Law Corp Attorney, Zarah Rahman and the NSC are having monthly meetings with the property owner of a problematic AirBnB on Sunkist and two other properties that she

owns. Hopefully having these meetings will allow the owner an opportunity to rectify the issues without further legal action.

- Northgate 8x NCPC renamed their NCPC. Names were solicited through January 31st and voted on throughout February and March via online poll and direct outreach. Four names were submitted with only three receiving votes. The overwhelming majority (77.3%) of residents polled favored the name UJIMA Friends. Ujima is Swahili for Collective Work and Responsibility. Silk Road Arab merchants used Swahili when trading Asian goods with East Africans and the name is perfect for a neighborhood so rich in all three ethnic identities. The name also signals our intention to center Arab, African and Asian voices as a priority for Beat 8x. The roll out of the new name will begin in April.
- Several residents in Beat 14Y/16X, recently experienced a prowler who accessed their balconies via the roof. The CRO has been made aware and has visited several impacted complainants, taking police reports, etc. Following pleas from residents, the NC has deemed this issue urgent and has made safety outreach a priority. To compliment these efforts, the NSC and PST, will be hosting a zoom safety training for interested residents. Depending on participant response and our department's capacity, this may be one of several trainings throughout the year.
- On beat 20 we are dealing with an alleged drug house. Residents report activity all night. Cars are seen stopping entering the property and walking out a few minutes later. This is an ongoing problem that we are encouraging residents to report. CRO has increased visibility in the area and is coordinating with CRT to conduct a surveillance operation. This project is in progress.

Examples of block level projects and completed CPTED inspections

PST assigned to BFO 1 completed 4 CPTEDs in 8X, 22Y, 17X and 18X including a market parking lot, an elementary school area, and two parks. Numerous zoom NC meetings were hosted in police beats. Made a presentation to 22Y on the Neighborhood Watch programs. Passed out fliers and encouraged merchant watch membership with an NSC and PST in NSD in beat 26x on March 3.

Block level organizing and outreach with merchants in 27Y on March 3rd in 27Y from 47th Ave-49th Ave. On Thursday, March 11th put together, safety packets for 32Y in Sheffield Village on Thursday, March 11th. Put together, safety packets for 24Y (Penniman Court) Wednesday, March 17th. Conducted a CPTED inspection with 5 residences on Penniman Court on Wednesday, March 24th. Conducted Zoom Safety Presentation for 32Y (Sheffield Village) on Thursday, March 25th. Assembled give away items for 31Y to give away for to community to celebrate Easter Community event. Delivered NW signs (for 24Y and 35Y) to Public Works Wednesday, March 31st.



**CITY OF OAKLAND
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REGULAR MEETING**

DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

6:00 PM

Via Teleconference

Board Membership:

PRESENT: Chair, Creighton Davis (Mayoral), Paula Hawthorn (Dist. 1), Carol Wyatt (Dist. 3), Ravinder Singh (Dist. 4), Jorge Lerma (Dist. 5), Donald Dalke (Dist. 6), Kirby Thompson (Dist. 7), Art Douglas Blacksher (At Large), Geraldine Wong (NW), Daniel Ettlinger (OUSD), Yonas Gebremicael (Mayoral),

ABSENT: Vice Chair, Colette McPherson (Dist. 2), , Ericka Parker (OHA), Nancy Sidebotham (NW),

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Roll Call - Quorum

1. CPAB + Neighborhood Council Issues Town Hall – 8 speakers, 2 minutes each

OPD Response + Alternative Strategies to Addressing Sideshows – Discussion + Brainstorm on the Issue of Sideshows

Deputy Chief Bolton discussed OPD preventative posture regarding sideshows and stated that OPD is willing work with city partners and the community to help to demonstrate is willing to partner and explore any and all solutions to provide safer neighborhoods.

DC Bolton also provided information on the danger that sideshow’s present to officers and residents. (29 man shot, 130 rifle and handgun shell casings retrieved after a side show, a healthcare facility hit by bullets. 85 handgun and rifle casings retrieved from an intersection and a business was struck by gunfire). The safety of officers is considered when there are limited resources.

Board member Ettlinger asked about the use “quick barriers” set up a specific intersection, PSA’s from notable community members and illegal guns removed from the streets?

DC Bolton stated moveable barriers are not currently used but they are in partnership with the DOT. The use of social media recently made an impact on recent sideshow activity. From 2019 to 2020 there is a 45% increase in the number of illegal guns confiscated by OPD and more this year to date than last year.

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Megan Weir – Safe Streets Division Manager from the Department of Transportation (DOT), Fred Kelly, Joe Wang and Brian Sukkar

Ms. Weir provided a PowerPoint presentation on DOT engineering treatments used by the DOT to deter sidseshows.

The DOT Coordinates with OPD for traffic safety – DOT receives more than 800 service requests from the public each year thru the 311 service. They prioritize requests by crash history, Equity in historically underserved communities and schools.

Board member Dalke requested an update from DC Bolton on the Sideshow project that was to be created in the SARAnet for East Oakland.

DC Bolton stated that assigning the problem-solving project is in process and community input will be welcome. Lt. Febel in area 4 will be involved. Project will be documented and OPD will be held accountable and partners will be apprised of progress and the project will be assessed for acceptable progress. Goals need to be realistic and achievable.

BM Dalke requested that updates be provided in the OPD monthly report.

DC Bolton said that updates on SARAnet projects are currently reported to the CPAB and the sideshow project will also be included.

BM Blacksher commented on the number of people at sideshows with guns is unsafe for OPD, then consider the residents.

BM Singh noted that increased violence at sideshows is alarming, a safe and sanctioned sideshow program has been discussed previously, are there strategies that we can agree on tonight based on what has been tried so that we can move forward. Requested that DC Bolton, offer his suggestion on what can work,

DC Bolton does not know what will work, community policing requires non-consequential problem solving.

BM Singh – effort will require financial backing.

Public Speaker –

Name not available - Is OPD monitoring social media to determine when/where sideshows will occur?

DC Bolton - yes when the information is credible the City Administrator will be notified, and funding requested.

David – Community Apps can be used or developed to have citizens video sideshows and provide information to OPD.

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DC Bolton – suggests that citizens not involve themselves in sideshow activity to protect their personal safety. Home surveillance systems can be used, and information provided to OPD.

BM Lerma – spoke on the feeling of helpless, and citizens taking back their power. And suggested the use of hotspot pole mounted camera's and the use of drones and license plate reader or decoy cars. OPD needs to collect more data.

BM Thompson – The sideshow issue will require a long-term solution and a citywide partnership at all levels.

Public Speaker –

Ms. Forte – directed meeting attendees to the Reimaging Public Safety Taskforce recommendation #75.

Aisha – who do communities contact to have traffic calming measure installed their communities such as Bancroft and 60th?

Megan Weir – 311 for requests for traffic safety are routed to her DOT team. Pilot program is being implemented at 40th and International Blvd.

Ms. Abbena (sp) – stricter enforcement and the use of technology should be used.

Mr. Dorado – Sideshow space was discussed previously, liability could be addressed by a waiver, the idea should be addressed and could work.

M. Ortiz – Communities need to be empowered.

2. Open Forum – N/A

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes –

January 6, 2021 and February 3, 2021 – Motion made by Board member Dalke and 2nd by Board member Blacksher with noted correction on the spelling of his name.

Majority approved meeting minutes.

4. OPD Report – DC Bolton – Officer Febel

Officer Febel provided an overview of a Problem-Solving project at the Walgreen's store located at 3434 High Street that had low inventory in the store due to theft, blight in the parking lot and crime. CRO worked on the Smart Model and the SARAnet program to work with Walgreen's leadership and the residents.

Relationship was developed with Walgreen's and OPD – that resulted in Security at all Oakland locations. The Corporation funds security thru OPD.

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Ms. Olugbala noted that the partnership has an economic effect on Oakland Communities.

5. NSC Report – Supervisor Felicia Verdin –

An updated was provided on the Neighborhood Watch Steering Committee and the reconvening of the committee. Recruitment of Block Captains will begin shortly – Maybe renamed/reimagined and will be under review.

BM Ettliger – 5 for 5 program that Director Devries spoke of previously? Is there a role for the CPAB?

Supervisor Verdin - CRO's in area 5 to meet with NCPD's choose 1 - 2 projects – Director Devries will need to provide any additional info. Internal Pilot Program currently. SDS (sp) teams Service Delivery??? are also being developed.

BM Dalke – can your report be sent to Neighborhood Councils?

Supervisor Verdin – will post on the NSD website and the Neighbor Councils and most are on the distribution list for the CPAB packet.

Public Speaker

Mr. Duarte (sp) – excited that information is getting to the Neighborhood Councils.

6. Update: OUSD Outreach – Board Member's Daniel Ettliger and Jorge Lerma

Pathways for OUSD to better connect with their neighborhoods and the students in their communities – through the CPAB and their Neighborhood Councils. Working to create a Pilot program with a specific school to encourage civic involvement at a young age.

7. Update: Ad Hoc Committee with Berkeley Law Students –

Chair Davis introduced the Ad-Hoc committee of the CPAB which includes: Board member's Dalke, Ettliger, Lerma, Wyatt and Blacksher. Berkeley Law students St. Clair, Amarilla and Mejia introduced themselves. 2 students were not able to attend.

The Ad-Hoc committee will meet with the students and progress on the projects will be reported to the Board.

8. Agenda Building and Staff Report –

Chair Davis acknowledged that this is the last meeting for Board member Singh.

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:33pm.