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Melissa Menard, Co – Chair
Kristin Sales, Co – Chair

Meghan Horan
Loren Naiman
Barbara McDermott
Brandon Pender (Alt.)
Carolyn Casavan (Alt.)

Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Monday, January 22nd, 2018

6:30pm

Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center
5056 Van Nuys Blvd
Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

1. Call to Order by Melissa Menard- 6:35pm
2. Roll Call- Melissa Menard, Kristin Sales, Meghan Horan, Loren Naiman, Brandon Pender (arrival after agenda item number 8).
3. Approve meeting minutes from November 27, 2017
 - a. **MOTION** to approve November minutes **passed**; Brandon not present
4. Introduction of Committee Members, LAFD, elected officials and staff
 - a. Crime Stats, Questions and Answers specifically directed to them
 - i. No members, LAPD, elected officials and staff present
5. Public Forum: comments by the public on non-agenda items within the committee's jurisdiction
 - a. No comments
6. Chair's Report
 - a. New 2018 line up of committee members: Melissa Menard, Kristin Sales, Meghan Horan, Loren Naiman, and Barbara McDermott. Carolyn Casavan and Brandon Pender will remain as Alternates
 - b. CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) 1 Class began on January 9th
 - c. Recap of Map Your Neighborhood Event on January 20th at the Galleria
 - i. 1 person in attendance.
 - ii. Used the Community Room at the Galleria which is a nice space
 - iii. Melissa has created a to-do check list for Public Safety events to optimize event promotion and attendance
 - d. Victims Assistance Program through the City Attorney's office
 - i. Representative from the program presented to the SONC Board
 - ii. Program is free for victims
 - e. NEW: Text to 911 in L.A. County **"Call if you can, Text if you can't"**
 - i. Use of texting for emergency settings
 - f. SONC Board Retreat this Saturday at the Sherman Oaks Hospital, Doctor's Conference Room

- i. Open to public
- 7. Discussion and possible action items:
 - a. Old Business
 - b. New Business- Possible ACTION items
 - i. **MOTION:** Public Safety Committee would like to reallocate the remaining funds from the Neighborhood Watch Program to the CERT 1 class, graduating on February 20th for the purchase of CERT safety kit for the graduates
 - 1. **Passed with amendments** (Brandon not present) to state the purpose for what the money is being spent on and to reflect the event as a program.
 - ii. Response to Studio City Neighborhood Council's Public Safety Committee request by Chair, Craig Radow: The Chairs would like Loren Naiman as the SONC CPAB representative to attend with Craig Radow and attend the January 30th meeting
 - 1. Loren to attend but not as an official SONC representative
 - 2. Studio City Neighborhood Council's Public Safety Committee is drafting a proposal to obtain additional Officers and resources for the North Hollywood and Van Nuys Divisions
 - a. The Committee is seeking input on proposal and further align language
 - b. Section includes results of a public safety survey
 - 3. Location is at the CBS Radford Studio at 7pm
- 8. City Council's Public Safety Committee Report by Meghan Horan
 - a. Matters that impact various communities including Sherman Oaks
 - i. Council File 12-0417-S1 (Wesson - Martinez- Price): Human Trafficking/ Sex Crimes/ Impound Vehicle/ 24-Month Pilot Program
 - 1. Committee members discussed that they feel this to be a concern of Sherman Oaks residents
 - 2. The Committee will continue to monitor this council file
 - ii. Council File 17-0256 (Ryu, et al. - Wesson): relative to instructing the Los Angeles Police Department, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to report on recent trends in reported hate crimes and religious, ethnic or racially motivated violence, particularly those directed at Los Angeles' Jewish community; efforts to respond to hate crimes and increase security around Jewish facilities; any cooperative efforts to help determine vulnerability of these institutions and secure their facilities; and any Federal, State or local funding that could be sought to help enhance security around faith-based facilities.
 - 1. Scheduled for a City Council vote on 1/24/18.
 - b. Items pertaining to Sherman Oaks and possible action items
- 9. CPAB (Community Police Advisory Board) Report & Crime Mao Review by Loren Naiman
 - a. Increase in number of theft crimes
 - b. Major increase in commercial burglary and petty theft
 - c. In December- uptick in residential burglaries
 - d. Van Nuys - arrested 3 out of 5 suspects in residential burglaries

- e. Mention of new device that scans and can decode Bluetooth
 - f. Van Nuys- recent heroin case with suspects arrested
10. Announcements from the Committee on subject matters within SONC's jurisdiction
- a. Next SONC Board Meeting: Monday, February 12th, 2018 at the Sherman Oaks Elementary Auditorium
 - b. Next Public Safety Meeting: Monday, February 26th, 2018 at the Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center
11. Adjourned at 7:34pm