

Montclair Neighborhood Council Community Meeting

12/3/20

Meeting Attendees

Start Time: 17:30 End Time: 20:00

Steering Committee Attendance: 11 (Quorum Achieved).

Estimated total attendance: 37

STEERING COMMITTEE (SC) MEMBERS	Present
Chairperson - Macy Cornell	x
Vice Chairperson - Nicholas Vigilante	x
Treasurer - Jim Clardy	x
Secretary - Lenny Lesser	x
Community Rep. - David Liebman	x
Community Rep. - Neil Planchon	x
Community Rep. - Mary Henderson	x
Community Rep. - Tyrone Eugene	
Community Rep. - Matthew Rowe	x
Community Rep. - Josh Shaw	x
Community Rep.- Joan Squires-Lind	x
Community Rep. - Denise Bostrom	x

Advisory/Special Guests/Volunteers:	Present
OPD Neighborhood Services Coordinator - Angela Moore	x

Councilmember Thao's Office - Brandon Harami	x
OPD Officer Kristine Jurgens-Duenas	x
North Hills Community Association - Elizabeth Stage	x
Volunteer - Allison Silverstein	
Peggy Delson-Rini, Team Leader of the MNC Beautification Committee	x
Jared Spencer, Office of Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson	x

Community Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome/Agenda Review- Macy (3 mins)
2. Open Forum (15)
 - 2.1. Vice Chairperson Vigilante thanked SC Member David Liebman for leading the Council's effort to refresh the Alert stickers on over 150 parking meters in Montclair Village. The stickers alert patrons to remove all valuables from their vehicles to prevent vehicle burglaries and to call in suspicious behavior to the OPD non-emergency number.
 - 2.2. Chairperson Cornell thanked Safety Team Member Allison Silverstein for designing and helping distribute a beautiful Holiday safety tips flier for distribution to patrons in Montclair Village. Chairperson Cornell and SC Member Bostrom are helping to distribute the fliers.
3. Crime Update & Status On Three Recent Montclair Village Crimes- Officer Kristine-Jurgens-Duenas (15)
 - 3.1. Officer Jurgens-Duenas presented the following Montclair crime statistics for the last 60 days:
 - 7- Auto burglaries (none in Montclair Village), 5 - Residential burglaries, 3 - Commercial burglaries
 - 2 - Robberies (Darnby Drive and Magellan Drive).
 During the same 60-day period in 2019, there were 23 auto burglaries, 11 residential burglaries, 3 commercial burglaries, and 2 robberies.
 - 3.2. Officer Jurgens-Duenas presented a chart showing the details of the 3

recent Commercial burglaries.

9/10/2020	TGI Oni Sushi and El Agavero Restaurants Mountain Blvd.	Burglarized by an individual in a white sedan with no license plates.	Video of suspect & vehicle in front of El Agavero and driving through intersection of La Salle & Mountain	OPD retrieved video of the suspect, but no suspect vehicle. Suspect is still outstanding. There is a discrepancy between MVA report and OPD records in that OPD records only describe the TGI Oni robbery and omit any mention of El Agavero.
5/30/2020	Natural Expressions Spa La Salle Ave.	3 Black Males armed with guns broke into Natural Expressions Spa through storefront window. Merchant and family were inside. Merchant was injured.	Video of entire incident from inside store and outside with vehicle license plate	OPD retrieved video surveillance and a vehicle associated. OPD resources were reallocated to the BLM protests during this time and they were unable to do much immediate field work to search for the vehicle. The suspects and the vehicle are still outstanding.
4/6/2020	Verizon Store Mountain Blvd.	3 Black males robbed Verizon Store at gunpoint	Video of incident from inside store and from street with vehicle license plate	OPD located the vehicle the following day that led to a vehicle pursuit and one person was taken into custody.

- 3.3. Question (David): Why individual was not charged in 4/6/20 incident? Officer responded that she does not know and is not involved in placing charges.
- 3.4. Question (Brandon): Are crimes related? Officer responded that she does not know.
- 3.5. Officer Jurgens stated she would bring back comparison data for crimes of Montclair to the rest of the city.
- 3.6. Magellan incident: The car did not have license plates. The car is being processed for DNA evidence.
4. Review Cell Phone Survey Results & *Next Steps*-Joan (15)
 - 4.1. Joan presented survey results on cell service during the power outage from 10/25-27. (See [results here](#).) Stakeholders: residents, providers, EMS, City, PGE, CPUC, FCC. She explained how cell phones connect to the internet. Power is required for the cell phone towers to work. Many residents reported cell phone outages in recent PSPS. Joan brought up some possible solutions including mobile towers (COWs).

- 4.2. Action: Joan to meet with Brandon and come back with specific next steps at the next MNC meeting.

Steering Committee Meeting- Open to Community

- 5. Treasurer Report-Jim Clardy: Macy stated that she did not receive a treasurer report before the meeting.
 - 5.1. Note the recent update to procedures: two MNC member signatures must sign MNC checks. Also corrected naming on account.
- 6. Meeting Minute Approval for 10/1/20 & 10/22/20
 - 6.1. Motion: Adopt [Minutes for 10/1](#)
 - 6.1.1. Approved by unanimous approval
 - 6.2. Motion: Adopt [Minutes for 10/21](#)
 - 6.2.1. Approved by unanimous approval
- 7. Welcome to Peggy Delson as MNC Beautification Lead
- 8. Doug Mosher's Presentation Regarding Skyline Lookout Issues
 - 8.1. Issues include trash, smoking, fireworks, shooting, large gatherings, fires. Radio club has identified several areas that are at higher risk in Oakland hills: Montclair park, Shepard canyon, and Skyline Blvd. Possible measures include: signage, barriers, fire patrols, neighborhood reporting. Doug reports that the City is looking into adding new barriers.
 - 8.2. Brandon reports he is working on a committee to address these high risk areas. Doug to send Brandon specific areas of concern.
 - 8.3. Macy to request and hold a meeting with Oakland City Officials on the Interdepartmental Wildfire Prevention Task Force to discuss fire risks and possible prevention efforts at ten Turn-Out locations in or very near Montclair. The Motion was seconded. Lenny suggested that Motion does not need a vote. Nicholas suggested it needs a vote because it required MNC to take actions. Macy asked if there were any objections to the Motion itself and there were no objections. No vote was taken.
 - 8.4. Question: Are cameras allowed on Skyline or are there privacy issues? Macy to investigate.
- 9. New Business
 - 9.1. none

Closed Session- Steering Committee Members Only + Angela Moore

- 10. Discussion regarding Montclair RR Trestle Mural Project
 - 10.1. Macy Cornell reported on her investigation of the status of the Montclair RR Trestle Funds.
 - 10.2. Josh Shaw submitted a Motion for MNC to send the remaining \$7,028.93

in Mural donations in the MNC bank account to the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation (OPRF) immediately. Macy noted that Nicholas had submitted three related Motions one week before Josh's Motion and therefore Nicholas' Motions needed to be reviewed and acted on first.

- 10.3. Motion #1 (Nicholas Vigilante): "In December 2020, the MNC will send a certified letter to former Mural Artist #1 Andrew Johnstone and the Montclair Railroad Trestle Mural Project Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Mural Committee) requesting that they jointly, or separately, return the full amount of \$5,100 to the MNC or agree to an installment payment plan not to exceed six months in duration. They will be given thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the letter to respond in writing to the MNC. Returned money will be properly accounted for by the MNC and distributed to the Oakland Park and Recreation Foundation for the Mural or returned to the donors if the money is not needed for the Mural."

Vote: 6 FOR, 2 OPPOSE, 2 ABSTAIN. The Motion Passes.

- 10.4. Motion #2 (Nicholas Vigilante): "If the former Artist#1 Andrew Johnstone and/or Mural Committee do not return the \$5,100 to the MNC or agree in writing to an installment payment plan not to exceed six months in duration within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the certified letter, MNC shall pursue recovery of the money in Alameda County Court (Civil or Small Claims) within 30 calendar days thereafter. Returned money will be properly accounted for by the MNC and distributed to the Oakland Park and Recreation Foundation for the Mural or returned to the donors if the money is not needed for the Mural."

After discussion, withdrawn by sponsor.

- 10.5. Motion #3 (Nicholas Vigilante): "The MNC will send the remaining \$7028.93 in Mural donations to the Oakland Park and Recreation Foundation within ten (10) calendar days after the current Artist#2- John Pugh installs the accepted Mural on the larger concrete wall located on Mountain Boulevard, Montclair Village, Oakland, CA. If the Mural is not installed thereon by the end of 2021, MNC will return the donations to the respective Mural donors with a letter of explanation."

VOTE: 7 FOR, 1 OPPOSE, 2 ABSTAIN. The Motion Passes.

- 10.6. The MNC SC did not act on Josh's Motion in Section 10.2 due to the action it took in Section 10.5.
- 10.7. Josh Shaw submitted a link to a presentation about the Montclair Railroad Mural. NSC Angela Moore recommended that Josh send electronic copies of all the Mural record documentation to all SC Members. Josh agreed to do so.



Respectfully submitted,
Lenny Lesser
Secretary