



PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, March 9, 2005

Minutes

Call to order

Approval of minutes – *no minutes available to be approved.*

Old Business: Youth Violence Project, Heather Handyside

Heather Handyside provided an update on the Youth Violence Initiative scheduled events including:

- Agency Event – To be held on March 16, 2005 at Loussac Library. Approximately 150 invitations sent. 12 confirmed speakers.
- Parent event - To be held at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. 250 invitations sent including personal invitations to from the Mayor to the cultural community.
- Youth Events – Continuing to work with ASD to identify schools. Meeting with some obstacles. Will continue to pursue through Mark Mew and the school advisors.
- Funding – Final funding has been secured.

Fairview Community Council public safety concerns – 13th Avenue activities, Officer Derek Hsieh, APD & Carrie Longoria, Safe Cities Program
Carrie Longoria was unable to attend due to a broken ankle.

Comments from Officer Hsieh:

Law enforcement continues to be challenged by 13th and Gambell area

CSP has helped to eliminate panhandling
Community involvement always helps with the problem – the issue is bigger than law enforcement only

Sam O'Connor commented that Community Patrols have an excellent rapport w/APD and CSP. Recommended concerned community members work with Community Council to identify key issues.

Tony Piper also recommended the Fairview Community Council as the best avenue to pursue concerns.

New Business:

Safety of big box stores during an earthquake and Trail Watch volunteer safety, Chuck Springer

It was decided to table these issues until the Youth Violence Initiative was complete. Chuck Springer requested more discussion about the role of the PSAC and suggested a PSAC retreat to determine priorities. To be discussed at April meeting.