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Meeting Minutes for January 25, 2022

The regularly scheduled meeting was convened at 6:32 pm by Chair Barbara Quattro via Zoom. Board members present were Ms. Quattro and Cynthia Young, Secretary.

Houston Police Department Report: Westside Command Center crime statistics for the Alief area were presented by Officer Tim Whitaker.

Statistical Summary:

Investigations- 121

Reports – 40

Warnings Issued – 16

Citations – 144

Abatements – 15

Calls for service - 4

- Violent crime down down 3%
- Sexual Assault down 23%
- Aggravated Assault up 2%
- Burglary of Buildings up 47%
- Burglary of Vehicles down 20%
- Murder up 54%
- Theft of vehicles down 11%

ARRESTS	Current Month Arrests			
	Aggravated Assault	11	Murder	0
	Assault	15	Narcotics	5
	AutoTheft	1	Prostitution	0
	Burglary of a Building	0	Robbery	10
	Burglary Habitation	3	Sex Offenses	0
	BMV	0	Sexual Assault	0
	Criminal Mischief	5	Theft	4
	Disorderly Conduct	2	Weapons Violation	2
	DWI	16	All Other Crimes	12
Total People Arrested	86			



SN 25	November	December	TREND
MURDER	1	2	100.00%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	3	2	-33.33%
ROBBERY	36	30	-16.67%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	46	47	2.17%
Violent Crimes	86	81	-5.81%
BURGLARY HABITATION	20	29	45.00%
BURGLARY BUILDING	28	21	-25.00%
BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	73	86	17.81%
THEFT	92	104	13.04%
AUTO THEFT	59	54	-8.47%
Non-Violent Crimes	272	294	8.09%
CRIMES TOTAL	358	375	4.75%

SN 25	2020	2021	TREND
MURDER	13	20	53.85%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	56	43	-23.21%
ROBBERY	446	425	-4.71%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	598	593	-0.84%
Violent Crimes	1113	1081	-2.88%
BURGLARY HABITATION	319	260	-18.50%
BURGLARY BUILDING	325	339	4.31%
BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	1301	1049	-19.37%
THEFT	1214	1084	-10.71%
AUTO THEFT	603	544	-9.78%
Non-Violent Crimes	3762	3276	-12.92%
CRIMES TOTAL	4875	4357	-10.63%

Program Speakers:

BARC - Laurel Spivey Animal Control Officer: -

When BARC receives a call, the call is prioritized by its urgency. Neglect is first on the list and it works down from there. The call is then dispatched to enforcement officers. BARC and HPD officers will begin enforcement of a Texas law that went into effect on January 18 that lays out rules for dog owners who keep their pets tethered outside. The law defines what type of shelter a dog must have access to if left tethered alone outside, and it prohibits the use of certain kinds of restraints— including chains.

On January 19, Houston City Counted voted to require microchipping for all owned animals in Houston and that all pet stores sell only dogs and cats sourced from a humane organization or a municipal/county animal shelter. Existing stores have a one-year grace period to comply with the new ordinance. Officials with BARC will also give pet owners a year to comply with the ordinance. Currently there is 5500 requests for service and 2700 animals per year are taken in at BARC.

Yolanda Alvarado – Harris County DA Office: This office is trying to educate people on child neglect this month. Ms. Alvarado provided numerous warning signs and requests all who might witness one of the signs to report the issue.

Veronica Hernandez – Mayor’s Assistance Office: The trailer is still located at the corner of Harwin and West Houston Center Blvd. There have been delays waiting for a Metro update and waiting for Metro’s Legal Department to approve the tow.

Kent Clingerman - Commissioner Jack Cagle’s Office: Mr. Clingerman discussed the County’s redistricting based on the latest census count. Alief is now in Precinct 4. Precinct 4 officials will obtain the entire project list from Commissioner Ramsey’s office and follow through with them. We discussed the requested senior center and indoor pool and asked for an update of their status. He can be reached at 832-927-4444 or email: service@hcp4.net

Ron Miller - Volunteer Bike of Houston: Mr. Miller discussed bike safety and advised that our area has some of the highest crashes on our main streets. Ronmiller144@gmail.com

Announcements:

- The new community center is projected to be complete by May 2022.
- The next Empty Shelter Project will be happening on 2-12-22 in Denver Harbor. We encourage all to volunteer to support this program.
- There will be a Candidate Forum featuring all candidates for the office of Commissioner, Precinct 4 held on 2-15-22 via zoom.
- Tree Plantings: 200 seedlings were planted on Wilcrest south of Kipps Way on 1-22-22. The next planting is scheduled for February 19th at the same location and volunteers are needed.
- Elections for ASNC officers are coming up. Anyone who wants to run for these positions is encouraged to contact Barbara Quattro.

Meeting was adjourned by Ms. Quattro at 7:35 pm

Minutes written and submitted by:
Cynthia Young, Secretary