

**ANTIOCH POLICE
CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION**

**May 21, 2007
7:00 p.m.**

**City Council Chambers
3rd and H Street
Antioch, CA 94509**

MINUTES

Agenda Item #1- Call to Order

The Antioch Crime Prevention Commission meeting was held on May 21, 2007 and called to order in the City Council Chambers.

Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m., with roll call as follows:

Present: Chair Ho, Vice Chair Koch, Commission Members: Archuleta, Vasquez and Zuniga
Absent: None

Agenda Item #3 -Approval of Minutes (April 16, 2007)

Chair Ho requested the commission make a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Koch made the motion and Commissioner Zuniga seconded it.

Vote:

Ayes: Chair Ho, Vice Chair Koch and Commission Members Archuleta, Vasquez and Zuniga

Nays: None

Agenda Item #4- Public Comments – Forum for Public Comment of Items not on The Regular Agenda (3-Minutes Time Limit per Person)

There were no public comments so, Chair Ho made an announcement at this point stating that Former Commissioner John Kelly died on May 14th. There will be a rosary service at 7:00 pm Wednesday May 23rd at the Holy Rosary Church at the corner of 15th and A St. There will also be a mass service with a lunch reception at 10:00 am Thursday May 24th. He suggested that the commissioners attend one or the other or if possible both, in uniform.

Agenda Item #5 -Commission/Staff Reports

- a. Approval of New Release for National Night Out

Chair Ho asked if the commissioners had reviewed the release he had emailed to them and requested comments. Commissioner Archuleta stated that it was good and Commissioner Zuniga stated Chair Ho did a great job. Commissioner Archuleta made a motion to approve the release and Commissioner Zuniga seconded it.

Vote:

Aye: Chair Ho, Vice Chair Koch, and Commissioners Archuleta, Vasquez, and Zuniga

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Chair Ho then passed it to Chief Hyde to review prior to going to press.

b. Discussion of involvement in July 4th Parade

Chair Ho stated that two council members suggested that the commissioners might want to participate in the July 4th parade by marching in it. He asked for thoughts on that.

Commissioner Vasquez stated that July 4th is a traditional day for family gatherings and it might be hard to fit into a schedule.

Lt. Marchoke stated that he would find out the time of the parade since several commissioners asked what time it would be held. That information would be emailed to the commissioners to see if it was possible for them to attend.

Agenda Item #6- Neighborhood Watch Program Report

a. Summary of Previous Month

Chair Ho stated that the commission was busy in May and that the majority of the meetings in May were in fact revitalization meetings. He stated that with all the commissioners going out and spreading the word older neighborhood watch groups are showing renewed interest.

Agenda Item #7-Commission Communications/ Announcements/Correspondence

a. Commission

Commissioner Archuleta

The Junior Giants program is a free non-competitive baseball team for boys and girls from 3 different age groups. It is being held in conjunction with Antioch PAL and Leisure Services. There are opportunities to coach and other volunteers. It is a great community building event. Also volunteers don't need to be athletic as most often they need chaperons so that more kids can be taken on event trips.

Chair Ho

Chair Ho asked about tutoring in math and science.

Commissioner Archuleta

She stated that there are two already existing organizations that need volunteers for tutoring and she will give Chair Ho the contact information

Vice Chair Koch

Is there an ordinance against panhandling with signs at freeway entrances?

Lieutenant Marchoke

There is an ordinance and they have written citations to panhandlers. They also recently had several citations that were upheld by a judge that was very supportive.

Chair Ho

He had two announcements. The first was via the Parks and Recreation Commission about the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. It is June 23rd a Saturday to June 24th a Sunday. Mayor Freitas has a team that needs members. To sign up you can go to the Cancer Society website click on relay for life, local events, Antioch, and Mayor Freitas Team.

The second announcement is that the City Park project needs volunteers. All you have to do is go to A Street and West 10th and tell the people at the park that you want to help and they will put you to work. Also you can purchase bricks, 4in by 8in, with one line 20 characters for \$75, three lines 20 characters each for \$100 and corporate brick with a logo on it for \$250.

Commissioner Zuniga

Stated he received a letter from Leroy Lui complementing the police department on working on a problem house in his neighborhood. He also thanked the chief.

Second he wanted to know if they could start a softball tournament with some community members and police officers. It could be a BBQ type softball day.

Lieutenant Marchoke

He stated that he would pass the information along to Scott Freier who ran the Police team, but they team dwindled last year so he was not sure.

b. Staff

Chief Hyde

Saturday July 14th will be the next Quality of Life forum held at the El Campanil Theatre. It will start at 9:00am and go to noon or 1:00pm. After it will be the city and the chamber of commerce holding an event downtown with sales. There will be two Antioch bike officers at the event that runs from noon until 8:00pm.

PAL had a donor willing to donate a substantial amount to provide for a full-time program director, which is what the program needs. Also they are hoping to get 200 kids for the Junior Giants program that PAL is assisting with. They also need volunteers to help out.

The City Crime View is working to constantly update and identify crime hot spots. The sergeants are now giving monthly reports to target crime areas and to bring more accountability.

The community room is almost done and will be finished in July.

The next Coffee with the Cops will be held on May 26th at 9:00am at the Starbucks at Slatten Ranch.

Compy's Memorial Fishing Derby working with PAL had 150 people attend and about 60 kids of all ages. A girl won the biggest fish competition by catching a 21 and ½ in bass.

The strategic plan is being finalized. They are planning on community education workshops such as information about internet predators, and crimes targeting the elderly, that they will be promoting on the website and in the media.

Also, they are implementing a pilot project to install cameras at Prewett Park as well as post signs stating they will be recording to deter crime.

Vice Chair Koch

Mentioned that there is a big problem with the community park on James Donlon as well.

Chair Ho

He will not be able to attend the Quality of Life forum as he will be on vacation, so he requested that a couple commissioners think about attending.

Lieutenant Marchoke

The community room still needs approval from the fire marshal, and so expects the next commission meeting to be held in the City Council Chambers again.

There are two positions open on the commission and they are accepting applications. If there are commissioners currently serving they can fill out an application to see about continuing.

CSO Alcantara is currently doing a photo survey of the city parks for safety regarding CPTED issues and will be making recommendations.

The department is also making PowerPoint presentations about robbery, burglary prevention and identity theft as well as in the process of making a short video that will be available to neighborhood watch.

Also, he joined the Knoll Park residents at the park event they held and talked with them about problems regarding people parking at the park and going in after hours. They are following up with traffic engineering about possibly getting no parking signs put up.

In recognition of the service on the commission all of the commissioners are being given a book about the history of Antioch.

Chief Hyde

He wanted to talk about the two recent homicides in the past week and stated that the investigations are ongoing. He mentioned that there has been an increase in gang and drug related crimes of violence due to a large youth population that is occurring all across the United States.

In response to Commissioner Archuleta's request he also discussed other crime patterns including female criminals becoming more than associates and now perpetrating the crimes, such as four females who assaulted a 42 year old Asian woman and stole her purse. He

stated that two city maintenance employees witnessed it and one followed them until the police detained them and the other stayed with the victim.

He also discussed that they are trying to work on changes on how to report graffiti since there is no current standard. The goal is to have a connection between public works and the PD regarding graffiti reports.

Capital improvement grants are being used to start an online reporting system for less important crimes and people can take photos to attach them to the report. They are currently working on refining the program.

Agenda Item #10 – Adjournment

Vice Chair Koch made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Vasquez seconded it.

Vote:

Aye: Chair Ho, Vice Chair Koch, Commissioners Archuleta, Vasquez and Zuniga.

Nay: none

Abstain: none

Respectfully submitted,

CSO Alcantara