

Maxwell Park Neighborhood Council
Monthly Meeting—Wednesday, August 9, 2006
Location: Maxwell Park Elementary School, Room 6
Meeting Minutes

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Attendees

Present: Jose Dorado (Chair), Robert McGillis (Vice Chair), Jan Hetherington (Membership Secretary), Krista Gulbransen (Minutes Secretary), Alice Ross leon, Birgitta Borgstrom, Brenda Hansen, Helen da Silva, Joe Davis, Joelle Fraser, Kate Phillips, Luan Strauss, Malia Saulala, Monica Wilson, Nancy Karigaca, Nick Stoughton, Ondrietta Johnson, Rosetta Egan, Ruben Aurelio, Sarah Hipolito, Sterling Newberry, Susan Scolnick, Claudia Jimenez, Lt. Sharon Williams, Araina Richards, Ron Jonson, Garrett SMit, Ron Ward, J. Ruiz, M. Leite, Barry Ku, ?. Murphy, ?. Saunders

Guests: Youth Uprising

Board Absent: Jeremy Gluskin (Treasurer)

Welcome Comments & Introductions

Jose Dorado (Chair) welcomed us to the meeting. Introductions made. July minutes put up for approval. Motion to approve the minutes by Nick Stoughton. First and second from the audience. Minutes approved at 7:23pm.

Neighborhood Action Teams (NATs)

- *NAT (Neighborhood Action Team) Program – Sarah Hipolito reporting:* be sure to read this month's issue of the MacArthur Metro, next month's issue will focus on the uniqueness of our Yahoo! Group.
- *Traffic NAT—Jan Hetherington reporting:* 3 hotspots identified: one was Redding & High, Birdsall & Camden, Brookdale from Kingsland to High Street, 17 tickets were issued in Beat 28X in the past month where 3 got cars towed, one felony arrest, and one misdemeanor arrest were made, those don't necessarily cover the three hotspots that we've identified but rather represent the whole of Maxwell Park, they will be roaming around 28X and 27X to continue to keep an eye on it, Rosetta has identified herself as a co-chair with Adelle.
- *Crime NAT –Susan Scolnick reporting:* following the case of Antonio Russell who shot a neighbor in an attempted armed robbery, he's had two continuances granted to him because he's been refusing to meet with his court appointed lawyer, his next hearing will be a final preliminary hearing, it's obvious that the DA is ready to move forward but the judge keeps granting continuance, he's not out on bail because he has 22 counts against him, there is an email into the new

DA because Carrie is out on maternity leave. Rosetta offered to help out in terms of educating Susan in regards to the trial process.

- *Blight & Beautification—Robert McGillis reporting:* still concentrating on the beautification of the area around the 76 Station at MacArthur & Pierson, Emily Rogers from Brooks' office showed up to hear what the status was so far, Claire is on vacation for a month but when she returns they will have another meeting, the tree planting will be started up again, we have been a role model for other areas of the city, we have planted well over 200 trees in the neighborhood so far, Jan met with CalTrans to talk about how to turn on the irrigation down at the Walgreen's parking lot so that the strip plants start to get more water, will have to do major remulching at some point in time soon which is a big job but something we need to do, they were disheartened by the trash at Courtland Creek, Nick and Jan watched that in 10 days things got really messy again, need to work with Walgreen's to get their act together, Sarah Hipolito to write about the parking lot in the October issue of the MacArthur Metro.
- *Community Building NAT – Helen Da Silva reporting:* we have connected with Youth Uprising and we have invited them to a CB NAT meeting last week to discuss about how they are going to participate in our upcoming event, we've gotten a good response from the community financially, entertainment and kids activities are coming together, but we still need a lot of volunteers to help make it all come together especially for passing out flyers around the community and helping to setup/cleanup the day of the event, contact Helen da Silva if you're interested in helping out at hds222@aol.com, our MC will be Preston Turner.
- *Education NAT – Reuben Auerlio reporting:* school starts August 28, a lot going on at the school, a new retaining wall has been almost completed, going to relandscape the whole hillside including irrigation, introduced Monica Wilson who is responsible for the after school program, she's always looking for volunteers to help out with the program, Reuben would like to find some volunteers for the beginning and end of the day to help out with managing the traffic outside on Fleming, the timing would be between 8 and 8:30am and 2:00-3:00 pm contact Reuben.
- *Neighborhood Watch Coordinator – Jan Hetherington reporting:* National Night Out had a great turnout, 50 people went walking around and checked out all the various block parties, thanks to everyone who had a party.
- *CORE & MPERT Report—Nick Stoughton reporting:* did two CORE trainings last week but didn't have as good a turnout, if you can get 10 of neighbors to come out Nick will come to your house and teach it to you at your house or a designated house, after you've done CORE I, II & III training there are additional workshops that you can take for free like First Aid from the EMTs, CORE training is free to any Oakland resident, every second Wednesday there is a radio test that is done before our NCPC meeting, if you have a walkie talkie radio and

you'd like to participate contact Nick, recommend the Motorola talkabout for a purchased walkie talkie but Nick will put out an email letting people know how it works, Joe went to the Oakland Radio Communications Association where they said that Ignacio De La Fuente had committed money to buy 250 of the radios to be donated to neighborhoods, we will keep up on that.

City & County Representatives

Councilwoman Desley Brooks—no one reporting

Councilmember Jean Quan—Claudia Jimenez reporting

- Will be starting a strategic master plan for the Brookdale Park & Rec Center, Claudia has a survey that she'd like the community to fill out, it will be the next park improvement project for Jean's office.
- Posting updates on old M&W Liquors that reopened as Salam Market, they opened prematurely so they were shut down, they need to have a conditional use permit which would give community members the opportunity to speak up about, they have applied for the permit but won't go to the Planning Commission until September or October, that will be an opportunity to send emails, write letters and/or attend the meeting, they have not applied for a liquor license, as far as the police know the city is not granting any new liquor licenses however they can purchase someone else's liquor license, licenses can be sold back and forth until it is revoked, any number of conditions could be put on the store in order to operate and we have the opportunity to ask that those be determined, Jean's office meeting with the landlord on Tuesday to see where the breakdown in communication was.
- Kicking off the library campaign for the new Bond Measure, if you're interested in helping with the campaign please contact Claudia on her private email at Claudia-jiminez@sbcglobal.net.

Supervisor Nate Miley – No one reporting

Community Policing Reports--Araina Richards reporting

- We still have our \$700 so we need to submit receipts.
- Araina has requested the Fire Department to be there, the fingerprinting booth, the talking car, and the canine unit, working with us to shut off the street, residents to be notified of shutdown.

Police Report – Ron Ward reporting

- Taking less burglar reports so they're hoping this means we're experiencing less crime.
- Walgreen's has been having some problems including a robbery, some guy was in there taking stuff off the shelves, if you see suspicious activity please call it in even if you think it's going to take awhile for the police to actually show up.
- Do you know anything about the Laurel Ace Hardware being robbed a few weeks back? No, that is not Ron's beat.

- His email is rcward@oaklandnet.com.
- High & Fairfax they have been doing surveillance, just got a guy that was out on parole and they caught him selling drugs through a sting, you can call the officers on a one-on-one basis if you see something by contacting them on their cell phones
- Neighbor saw her neighbor was growing pot in his backyard, the police did a little operation and managed to catch the person, on Rawson.

Crime Statistics – Lt. Sharon Williams reporting

- Handed out report of crimes for July and August with some comparisons to see where other Beats are having more difficulties.
- The amount of crime in this beat is “slim to none” in comparison to other parts of Oakland.
- We have a dedicated Problem Solving Officer again, someone who’s been with us before and knows us.
- There was a man caught on Fleming that was carrying a gun and a stay away order.
- The Barber Shop on High at Fairfax has had two drug buys so that will probably be shut down.
- Two youths arrested (age 13) for drug arrests, one lived on Lyon across the way and the other didn’t give an address.

Guest Speaker – Youth Uprising, Chloe Mays (cmays@youthuprising.org), Executive Assistant/Media Relations

- Presentation given about the program.
- Wednesdays are walk around tour days so feel free to come by and learn more about Youth Uprising.
- Youth Uprising is a 25,000 SQFT leadership development center transforming the lives and communities of young people, ages 13-24, through full integration of Health & Wellness, Career & Education, and Arts & Cultural programming at the corner of 88th and MacArthur.
- Ages 13-24, open to Alameda County residents, you must be a member, if you’re under 18 you have to get parental consent

Announcements

Broke for networking and a dance lesson from Youth Uprising at 9:00pm.

Next meeting – Wednesday, September 13, 2006 at Maxwell Park Elementary School

Krista Gulbransen reporting

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