

Notes: Public Safety Meeting 1A – Feb 22, 2016, 7pm  
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Next meeting: March 21 2016 7pm (generally to be held third Monday night of each month), for one hour, at the ANC 1A office at 3400 11th St NW Suite 200 (to the left of Kangaroo Boxing Club)

#### Agenda

1. Introductions around the room
2. Recap of January meeting
3. Review of January crime stats
4. Update on 3 priorities for 2016:
  - Block Organizers and Clean-Ups
  - Public Information Blog: <https://1apublicsafety.wordpress.com/>
  - Youth Activities
5. Recommendation to do police ride-alongs
6. Open discussion on additional neighborhood concerns and potential activities
7. Conclusions and next steps

#### NOTES

##### 1. **Introductions around the room and issues of concern**

1. Dan Kornfield – Chair – thanks for coming, always encouraging!
2. Roya Bahrami
  - Alley has people climbing over my fence, doing it as a game, dangerous – need to communicate with a nearby housing complex and encourage parents and the building management to take preventative measures, secure the alleys, have proper lighting
    - Recommendation that she contact her ANC commissioner and go together to speak with the building management
  - Need more activities for kids – can the city allocate budget for kids
    - She can join the sub-committee that David will be leading on this
3. David Boyd
  - Concerned about youth committing crime, some coming from other parts of the city to this hunting ground – lots of shopping, people with iphones
  - Last PSA meeting – Lt Hodge announced lower crime due to his strategy (unclear details)
4. YaVonne Boyd
  - Sits on the board of the C Heights Initiative (C Heights Day & other community events)
  - Park Morton task force – challenges; many are racial – how to build a diverse community
    - New communities initiative – all going to be torn down and redeveloped, no longer structured public housing, mixed-use, but the tenant's association structure will disappear
    - Also moving people to the Bruce-Monroe site (btw Irving and Colombia on Georgia)
  - Senior Wellness center – seniors shooting up in the bathroom
  - Georgia-Lamont Safety Task Force
    - Better utilize vacant spaces
      - i. Winterfest – 1400 people!
    - Developed a survey to learn from the businesses in the area
5. Anna Stewart
  - Neighborhood has been improving
  - Litter and rats attracts crime

- YaVonne – create a simple sheet to inform residents of cleanliness expectations
6. Richard
- ANC commissioner and NCHCA board member
  - Wants to clean up the civic plaza, get the local businesses to take care of it
  - Trolley Park
    - Easter Egg hunt
    - Cultural tourism tour, pamphlets, soul music

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Discussion after introductions:

## 2. Recap of January meeting

- Mostly covered in 3 priorities, #4 below

## 3. Review of January 2016 crime stats

- 6 of 10 types of crime were down compared to January last year (likely due to harsher weather this January). One was flat.
- Three that were up involve weapons, which is concerning.
- Comments on Vice disbanding
- Thanks to Chris for pulling this information together for us.

## 4. Update on 3 priorities for 2016:

- Block Organizers and Clean-Ups
  - Richard will lead this sub-committee, with support from Anna
  - May be able to imitate/ join some of the clean-ups that Georgia-Ave Task Force is initiating
- Public Information Blog
  - Launched at <https://1apublicsafety.wordpress.com/>
  - Haven't publicized it yet
  - Dan will lead this sub-committee, anyone can contribute a blog post which he will screen/ edit if needed
- Youth Activities
  - David will lead this sub-committee, with support from YaVonne and Anna

## 5. Recommendation to do police ride-alongs

- Dan met with Lt. Cousins and Sgt. Scully, they recommended that people interested in public safety issues do ride-alongs (ride in a car with a police officer to see part of their shift)

## 6. Open discussion on additional neighborhood concerns and potential activities

- Richard – need to clean the CH civic plaza – was supposed to be a BID area
- Richard: GSA does all the park stuff – park district does nothing. Send picture to Richard. Bobby Lacy is one of the guys to talk to.
- YaVonne is working on a services fair – sign up for resume writing workshop. It will be hosted at the Salvation Army. Unemployment is a big issue. Training, GED. First time will be [Jennifer is putting together a meeting]. And a job fair as a follow-up in June.
- CM Nadeau is having open moment to come talk to her this Wed 6-7:30pm – Coffy Café

## 7. Conclusions and next steps

- Sub-committee leaders will present an update on their visions next meeting
- Lt. Cousins will come to our next meeting