

Azalea Park Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

From April 12, 2016

The meeting began at 6:33pm and adjourned at 7:15pm. President Mike Hancock presided. Over 25 people attended.

Officer David Felkins, Community Relations Officer, reminded the group of several upcoming events:

1. Ocean Discovery Institute's Learning Lab groundbreaking event on June 4;
2. Law Day at the Library on April 30;
3. The DEA's prescription drug take-back day at the various locations including the Mid-City Substation on April 30;
4. Ongoing meetings re: homelessness the last Tuesday of every month at Mid-City Station;
5. Graffiti clean-up and regular Zumba classes; and
6. CHTC District 9 candidates' forum in May at Cherokee Point Elementary School in preparation for the June election.

He also discussed recent burglaries noting an arrest for one in December and strongly suggested people be diligent about securing their homes, and engraving or otherwise documenting their personal possessions such as jewelry and bicycles because the PD recovers a lot of stolen items that cannot be returned until the owner can prove they are theirs.

Rudy Vargas of Councilman Marti Emerald's office distributed their latest newsletter and noted the recent party celebrating Ofcr Felkins' upcoming retirement and welcoming new Captain Hastings. He also commented on needed street repairs on Pepper and Columbine.

Deanneka Flores, representative from Sen. Ben Hueso's office, reported on the Senator's recent introduction SB 1035 which aims to strengthen regulatory oversight of independent transportation systems such as Uber or Lyft and provided flyers on various programs.

Other Noted Reminders:

- Linda Pennington noted the Creek-to-Bay cleanup on April 23 encouraging neighbors to help Cactus Bob at Parque Linda on that day and also on every 3rd Saturday of the month from 7-10am at the Water Conservation Garden. She also mentioned the Wightman Park groundbreaking on April 20.
- President Hancock brought up another District 9 forum to be held on April 27 at the Church of the Brethren.
- A Ricardo Flores Meet-and-Greet will be held at the Manzanita Gathering Place on April 18.
- Elders Living in Their Element will hold a general meeting with guest speaker(s) at the Church of the Brethren at 6pm on April 26.
- No MAD discussion will be held tonight because Robert Musial was not able to attend tonight's meeting.
- As part of Law Day, there will be a forum for City Attorney candidates on the evening of April 30 at the Church of the Brethren.