

Notes from the Azalea Park Neighborhood Association

Meeting of May 13, 2014

Rudy Vargas, from the office of City Council member Marti Emerald, highlighted items in the office's newsletter which he presented to the attendees. He referenced the recent community event Creek-To-Bay and its many community clean-ups. He spoke of the new park located between Fairmount and Euclid avenues. All were invited to attend the meet-the-mayor town hall meeting taking place on May 20th at 5:00PM at the Cherokee Point Elementary School where community concerns can be presented.

Officer David Felkins announced the recent arrest of an individual involved in the theft of grates in the downtown and local areas. He distributed resource handouts and stated that the police dept. is hiring dispatchers. He announced the arrest of the KENO and other taggers.

Jose Diaz gave a presentation on the updated neighborhood website which includes an Azalea Park history, the executive board, a photo gallery, maps, the Water Conservation Garden, the Gathering Place, Jamie's Way, Parque Linda, area rental properties and government contacts. Also being developed is a category for local businesses.

Local realtor Joni Craig gave a presentation on the San Diego housing market and how our local area fares. She states that home "flippers" have brought up our neighborhood and that there's been a jump in the median price of properties. Azalea Park currently has only three homes for sale.

She states that the future suggests an increase in home prices as well as in loan interest rates. She offered a list of step-by-steps for buying a home and a list of suggestions for improving curb appeal.

APNA President Ricardo Moran stated that again there is movement on the neighborhood signage project. He reported that Yvonne Curtis and Jim Martin are facilitating a neighborhood entry in the San Diego Pride event of mid-July. Ricardo also said that, due to job issues, he will no longer be assuming the responsibilities of the APNA board chairmanship.

Notes presented by Bob Walters, APNA Secretary