

**THE COMMISSION ON GANG PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION MEETING  
MINUTES FOR  
THURSDAY JULY 21, 2011  
AT 12:00 P.M.**

**La Maestra Community Health Clinic  
4060 Fairmount Avenue, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92115**

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pastor Harry Cooper at 12:30 p.m.

ATTENDENCE AT THE MEETING

- (1) Commissioner Chief William Lansdowne
- (2) Commissioner Fred Sotelo
- (3) Commissioner Carol Williams
- (4) Commissioner Sheriff Gore
- (5) Commissioner Rosa Ana Lozada
- (6) Commissioner Mark Cafferty
- (7) Commissioner Jose Cervantes
- (8) Commissioner Superintendent William Kowba
- (9) Commissioner Pastor Harry Cooper
- (10) Commissioner Alicia De Leon Torres
- (11) Commissioner Ed Martinez
- (12) Commissioner Joyce Abrams

PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilman Todd Gloria spoke about primary health care in the City Heights community. Thanked everyone who showed up to the commission meeting to speak about the issues on gang violence.

Mayor Sanders' Community Representative, Ron Lacey, thanked Pastor Cooper for his five years of service as Chair of the Commission.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The motion was to approve the minutes for March 17, 2011. *Motion by Commissioner Lansdowne to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Sheriff Gore. Passed unanimously.*

COMMUNITY SPEAKERS

Arnold Humphries a member of Speak on It, spoke about the growing population of pimping and prostitution. He asked the council to see if they can support this issue in addressing resources for ex pimps and gang members.

Manny Castro from Turning the Hearts presented the G.A.M.E Program (Gang Awareness Through Mentoring Education).

Eddie Polato presented Cornerstone Ranch Ministry Program, which is a restoration ranch for individuals who have just been released from prison.

#### ACTION ITEM 1

Pimping and other exploitative crimes are now the second biggest revenue of source for gangs in San Diego County.

*The recommended Action:* A motion was made by Commissioner Lansdowne to support existing community strategies, parent training opportunities and follow the local implementation of AB918 identify recommendations to the City to support the legislation.

It was motioned by Commissioner Lansdowne and seconded by Commissioner Sotelo. Motion passed unanimously.

A new Ad Hoc committee, which members are Commissioner Rosa Ana Lozada, Commissioner Chief Lansdowne, Commissioner Sotelo, Commissioner Kowba, and Commissioner Sheriff Gore.

#### ACTION ITEM 2

The County's Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) has been working on the Building Better Health Strategy's, which is a 10 year strategy to impact health throughout the county.

*Recommended Action:* The Ad Hoc Committee recommends that staff continue to work with the county and present an update at the September Commission meeting.

It was motioned by Commissioner Cafferty and seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

#### COMMUNITY AND PARTNERSHIP REPORTS

- a. Building Healthy Communities- Steve Eldred
  - o A ten year strategy to impact health throughout the state
  - o Create strategies for communities to have healthy families and children
  - o Shape opportunities for families to access healthcare, education, and social support services.
  - o Multiple partnerships: research foundation, community leaders, SDSU, and Peace Promotion Momentum team.
- b. La Maestra Presentation- CEO Zara Marselian
- c. Youth Voice- Captain McKinneys Youth Voice Ensemble
  - o Shared personal stories about family members in gang activity
  - o Spoke about their individual realities of the dangers in their neighborhoods
  - o Asked for support to help their communities improve safety for youth and families
- d. Crime Free Multi Housing (CFMH) update- Captain McElroy presented updates on CFMH training.

#### CURRENT INFORMATION SCAN (CIS)

- a. Gang Statistics for the month of June- Lt. Jorge Duran
  - o No Gang related homicides for the month of June
  - o Total for the year was six homicides

- 21 aggravated assaults, 4 shootings, 8 stabbings, and 9 other types of aggravated assaults.
- 220 gang members arrested for the month of June. Eight were arrested for aggravated assault, 28 weapon possession, and 33 narcotics.
- b. Crime Free Multi Housing- Captain McElroy
  - November 17<sup>th</sup> was the first training
  - 16 apartment managers attended, which presented 1,636 units/ 4,431 residents
  - Three stages
    - Stage 1- Training managers
    - Stage 2- Safety inspections of units
    - Stage 3- Resident participation
- c. Reentry Update- Grace Lu from the DA's office
  - 228 men and women incarcerated
  - 266 in community
  - Reentry Drug Program
    - 64 in program
    - 30 in Residential Treatment Program
    - 34 in Outpatient Treatment Program
    - 12 in screening process
    - 8 have moved into Phase 2

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

- a. Grant Support Letter Report
- b. Grant Summary
  - CDBG workshop
- c. Community Updates
  - Neighborhood Safety Alliance

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark Cafferty thanked everyone for coming to speak.

Chair Pastor Cooper thanked everyone for allowing him to serve as Chair of the Commission for the past five years.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Chair Pastor Cooper made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1: 45 p.m. It was approved unanimously.