

Central Community- Police Advisory Board
December 12, 2007

C-PAB members and guests present

Co-chair Blair Besten, John Saslow, Estelle Lopez, Ralph Porter, Morgan Lyons, Steve La Roche, Wayne Wilbur, Annette Soodhalter, Danny Young, Jesse Prather, Don Spivak, Mike Pfeiffer.

LAPD Personnel Present

Area Captian III J. Wakefield, SLO Officers Jack Richter, M. Fernandez, T. Nambu, D. Joseph and R. McCain. Police Officers I. Clark, E. Martinez and Y. Whiteman. Police service representatives Quienta De La Mancha & Deputy District Attorney Songhai Miguda-Armstead.

Opening Remarks

Blair Besten welcomed the members and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The C-PAB minutes for October 2007 were read.

LA LIVE

Steve La Roche discussed the progress of A Live. This past October the first phase opened the Nokia Theatre. There will be several planned speakers "Speaker Series" to be held in the front plaza area. This forum will host a variety of speakers speaking on topics that will be of interest to the community. This is a free event.

LA Live with Para Los Ninos held its First annual Christmas tree lighting on December 11. To Planned for October 08, LA Live's building will host nine restaurants: Wolfgang Puck, The Yardhouse, P.F. Changs Chinese Bistro and Flemming's. Three nightclubs, a bowling alley, 2000 square foot Starbucks and a museum dedicated to the history of the Grammy Awards.

Fall of 2008, the Entertainment Sportsprogramming Network (ESPN) hub, bottom floor will host an ESPN Zone. Now under construction a 54 storied- 224 luxury condo Rits Carlton. A 27 storied- J. W. Marriott Hotel.

Looking ahead a 14 theatre Regal Movie complex to be completed in 2010.

Mr La Roche expressed his gratitude to the Department for keeping the traffic and parking issues down and creating a safe environment for the patrons.

Allen Kerstein discussed the new security Services in the South Business Improvement District (BID). Mr. KIRSTEIN advised the Security Services of Anschutz Entertainment Group will handle all security for the LA Live area. The community will see a new security look: white shirts with a patch of the downtown skyline "LA Live", South Park BID, Ritz Carlton Construction or Grammy Museum wearing navy blue pants. These public safety officers will be deployed next Thursday. Every Officer will be cross- trained in different areas and will be upheld to strict standards.

Central Bureau LAPD Presentation

Officer Bruce Borihanh, serial 35194, the current resident recruiter for Operations-Central Bureau. Officer Borihanh advised the members the City of Los Angeles will pay current employees, volunteers and retired employees who refer candidates for either Police Officers or Reserve Officers.

Basic Cars

1A61–Senior Lead Officer M Fernandez, reminded everyone of the heavy traffic, which will occur on New Years Eve when the event“Giant Village’ will take place.

1A29–SLO Officer J. Richter, advised the members of the New Years Eve celebration in the Arts District that is supposed to bring in an expected 10,000 participants. “DONT SHOOT” handouts were provided to all.

Open Discussion

Estelle Lopez acknowledged and thanked SLO M. Fernandez for his dedicated service to the Adopt-A-Family Program: she attributes most of the success and growth of over 350 families to the commitment that Officer Fernandez gives to the program every year.

Area Update

Cpt Wakefield, expresses her thanks for everyone’s friendship and support along with a great job well done this year. Reporting a 36 to 21 percent reduction in crime, which could have not been done without the help of the BID’s and the community.

Respectfully submitted by PSR Queta De La Mancha. Next meeting is scheduled for January 24th, 2008. Time and location to be determined.