

Ocean Park Association Monthly Meeting

When: March 13, 2023 Time: 7pm – 8:30pm

Where: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87041077301

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sean Besser, Chris Morgan, Patty Godon-Tann, Judy Abdo, Zachary Gaidzik, Jeff Jarow, Robbie Leer, Ian Novos, John Prindle, Nick Rolston

NOT PRESENT: Christina Allen and Will Burrington

Call to order: 7:00 p.m. Intro & Welcome/Sean

- 1. SMPD/NOA Update Officers Albert and Halima discuss crime trends in OP.
 - a. Sergeant Cruger and Officer Alpert Motor Officer/Traffic Presentation
 - i. 2022-23: 1256 traffic collisions

Outcome	
7	fatal collisions
501	injury collisions
644	traffic injury victims

Cause	
208	improper turning movement
152	unsafe speed
131	auto right of way violation
101	unknown (he said/she said)
90	driving under the influence
73	traffic signal
45	not stated (late reported crashes,
	cause not stated)

- ii. Immediately call 911; if on private property no police report but police will come to help facilitate the exchange of information.
- iii. Most common crashes in evening (9pm 3am)
- iv. New laws:
 - 1. No jaywalking law (AB2147)
 - 2. Catalytic Converters makes it harder to sell
 - 3. Expands gross negligence as related to vehicular manslaughter and vehicles traveling over 100mph and those participating in sideshow events (SB472)
- 2. Guest: City Manager David White: Spent Saturday setting Council priorities. The affirmed 3 priorities: 1) addressing homelessness 2) focusing on a clean and safe Santa



Monica 3) supporting economic recovery. Newly adopted priorities: 1) racial justice, equity and social diversity 2) sustainability.

- 3. Guest: Councilmember Jesse Zwick addressed questions and concerns of OPA members.
- 4. Committees:
 - a. Executive
 - i. Grant Status (Patty)
 - 1. County Grant
 - 2. Neighborhood Grant \$7,000
 - 3. Just applied for Economic Opportunity Grant with the county
 - 4. Please let Patty and/or Sean know if available to help spend money according to grant specifications
 - b. Communications (Sean, Chris)
 - i. "OPA Update" E-Blast, Website, & Social (Sean)
 - 1. Point of discussion: access to newsletter for businesses and advertising tiers
 - ii. OPA Connects (Judy) continue to have Mayor Gleam Davis after council meetings and then invite someone from the city on the off weeks
 - iii. Social Media (Robbie) testing Facebook hyper targeted ads for community outreach
 - c. Member Engagement / Events (Chris, Robbie, Joey)
 - i. Events: Upcoming/Planning
 - 1. Monthly Coffee/Happy Hours (Chris)
 - 2. Heal the Bay looking for someone to spearhead this effort
 - 3. Sharing an Open Main Street (Robbie) new permit process that allows any community to apply for closed street events. A request was made for 4 weekends during the summer months. Money would be raised by sponsors. John P suggests using a grant writer to help secure funds. John P suggests closing Main Street for a week at a time to make it a hub for sports as we move towards the Olympics, World Cup and tourists.
 - 4. 4th of July Parade (Jeff) no update
 - d. Bylaws (Patty) no update
 - e. No Report: Asset Management
- 5. Task Force Updates & Announcements
 - a. Main St. (2022: Sean, Robbie, Chris, John, Zach & Judy)
 - b. Arts (Nick, Robbie) Nick gave a presentation on priorities:
 - i. POP Memorial
 - ii. Lining up speakers to highlight existing art
 - iii. Resident curated walking tour email suggestions
 - c. Diversity (2022: Ian, Nick & Judy) Santa Monica Black Lives Association event on 3rd Street Promenade on Saturday
 - d. Renters (2022: Robbie, Chris & Nick) monthly task research number of OPA members are renters
 - e. No Report: Emergency Preparedness



- f. Education (Christina) no update
- g. Real estate (Sean/Joey) no update
- h. Homelessness (Nick/Robbie) resources in newsletter
- i. Neighbor to Neighbor (Kathleen) promoting connections between neighbors and taking note of special needs/help/accommodations
- j. Beautify parks with leveraging groups in the city starting with Crescent Bay Park (John)
- 6. Special Agenda Item(s)
 - a. 2668 Second Street (Karen B) not presented
- 7. Treasurer's Reports
 - a. None
- 8. Minutes Review/Approval: February MOTION: Jeff Jarow moved to approve the February 2023 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 9. Outstanding Items & Adjournment