Ocean Park Association Monthly Meeting

When: November 13, 2023

Time: 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Where: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87041077301](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87041077301&sa=D&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw1l-7gLU2b2DCTcGElquo4o)

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Robbie Leer, Patty Godon-Tann, Judy Abdo, John Prindle, Christina Allen, Chris Morgan, Jeff Jarow, Nocholas Rolston

NOT PRESENT: Sean Besser, Ian Novos, and Will Burrington

**Call to order:** 7:01 p.m.

**Intro & Welcome/Robbie**

1. **SMPD/NOA Update** – Officers Halima Barreto and Edgar Navarro discuss crime trends in Ocean Park.
   1. Last 30 days: no Ocean Park copper theft in last month but a lot of copper wire theft in Sunset Park

* Larceny: 5 bike thefts, suggest getting serial number of bike with Bike Index <https://bikeindex.org/>
* Vehicle break-in: 8 burglaries, closer to beach (West of Neilson Way)
* Vehicle theft: 9, commercial, east of Main in residential area
* Pocket-picking: weekend of October 21, 7 cases
* Attempted robbery: near tennis courts on Ocean 4 teens approached and assaulted and attempted to steal bike

b. Coffee with Cop this Thursday 5-7pm, Pico Culture House

\*Email questions/concerns to Halima at [halima.barreto@santamonica.gov](mailto:halima.barreto@santamonica.gov)

1. **Guest**: Street Services Superintendent Allen Issagholian: Copper Wire Theft
   1. Maintaining lighting is imperative, capability impacted by the copper theft, the City of SM is using outside resources to re-establish service, we have 6,000 streetlights and more pole boxes than street lights
   2. If your security system records suspicious activities please turn over to SMPD
   3. We appreciate every 311 request, also call SMPD non-emergency dispatch 310 458-8491
   4. If you see it happening in real time or suspect it may be happening call 911
2. **Guest**: Anuj Gupta, Director - Department of Transportation
   1. Safety and Vision 0 (policy goal of eliminating all fatal and severe injury on roads in 10 years): sustainability, lower emissions, currently 20 fully electric Big Blue Buses, engineering mobility projects and redesign our streets
   2. Adding Security Ambassadors to some bus routes and leveraging technology
   3. Comprehensive Operational Analysis for Big Blue Bus
   4. Neilson Way – Ocean Park and Neilson has a rest in red 11pm-5am the light stays red in ALL directions until a car comes to stop then the light turns green, repaving Neilson Way soon to increase safety, prune trees to enhance visibility
   5. Stop signs – Strand & 5th and Hill & 7th are new OP stop signs
   6. Lincoln Corridor Project – moving forward with the lighting component and continue to request more funding from the state
3. **Committees**:
   1. Executive (Sean/Chris/Robbie/Patty/Christina)
      1. Elections:
         1. Announce slate: Abe Sassoon, Dave Tann, Erin Mosbaugh, Jeffrey Jarow, Lucy Stone, Robbie Leer, Will Burrington
         2. Election Committee: Christina Allen, Patty Tann, Charles Allen
         3. Vote on cap to potential board of 14 people

**Motion:** **Christina Allen moved to increase the OPA Board of Directors from 12 to 14 as allowed by the bylaws.** **The motion was seconded and passed with one no vote.**

* + 1. Neighborhood Grant – Vote

**Motion:** **Jeff Jarow moved to apply for a neighborhood grant with the city.** **The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

**Motion:** **Chris Morgan moved to allow Patty Tann to apply for the grant on behalf of OPA.** **The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

* + 1. Holiday Party - Vote on $300 support

**Motion:** **Judy Abdo moved to give $300 to sponsor the Main Street Tree lighting.** **The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

* + 1. Storage space - $175, Spot #9

**Motion:** **Christina moved to pay up to $175/month for a new storage space.** **The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

* 1. Communications (Sean, Judy, Robbie)
     1. “OPA Update” E-Blast, Website, & Social
     2. OPA Connects
  2. Member Engagement / Events (Chris, Robbie, Patty & Joey Dalo)
     1. Events: Upcoming/Planning
        1. Sharing an Open Main Street: Oct retrospective (Robbie)
        2. Dec holiday party – December 9 3-5:30pm at The Victorian
  3. No Report: Asset Management; Bylaws (Patty)

1. **Task Force Updates & Announcements**
   1. Main St. (Robbie, John, Judy, Sean)
   2. Arts (Nick, Chris, Mark Flaisher)
   3. Diversity (Ian, Nick, Judy) – Deputy Police Chief Jacobs will be at OPA Connects in early December
   4. Renters (Robbie, Nick, Lex) – presentation by Hotel workers regarding the strike
   5. Homeless (Nick, Robbie, Erin)
   6. Education (Christina, David Auch, Virginia Marquardt, Margaret Vallese, John P) – Kelly Martin discussed the highschoolers giving back to our community
   7. LGBTQ+ Community (Erin M, Judy, Will, Joe D) – Lula’s event, 40 people mostly live in Ocean Park, Saturday at Judy’s pre-Thanksgiving dinner, got $500 grant from the city
   8. No Report: Emergency Preparedness, Real Estate / Zoning / Housing, Neighbor2Neighbor (Kathleen M)
2. **Special Agenda item(s) or announcements**
3. **Treasurer’s Reports**
4. **Minutes Review/Approval:** October 2023

**MOTION:** **John Prindle moved to approve the September 2023 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and passed with one abstention.**

1. **Outstanding Items & Adjournment**

**MOTION:** **Jeff Jarow moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**