

Friends of Del Cerro (FODC)
January 30, 2019
Crime & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

1. **Call meeting to Order:** 6:34pm
2. **Introductions** — **Present:** Jackie O'Connor, Jane Klofkorn, Mary Roberts, Jeri Deneen, Julie O'Connor Quinn
Absent: NA
Sitting In: Bob Hickman, Dr. Sherry Ryan, Raphael Luna MCJC Graduate Student and president Criminal Justice Honors Society, Fairleigh Quinn, Kellie Quinn
Present via conference call or via teleconference: NA
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Approved without objection
4. **Approval of the Meeting Minutes:** Approved without objection
5. **Officers Report** —
 - Chair Report** — Jackie O'Connor
 - Jackie reported on the recent meeting with Councilman Scott Sherman
 - Jackie introduced and welcomed new members to the Crime and Safety Committee and introduced Dr. Sherry Ryan and Raphael Luna with the SDSU Capstone Project
 - Capstone Project — Current Status**
 - Dr. Sherry Ryan Professor the Director of the School of Public Affairs at SDSU gave a presentation on the Capstone Project —
Dr. Ryan explained the Capstone Project is a two-course sequence class — literature review and best practice review. The project is focused on real world events. Initially proposals were submitted and FODC's Comprehensive Crime and Safety proposal was accepted. Scope of work for this project includes several key steps. There is a draft for this program that is the outline of what is being proposed for this project. Dr. Ryan handed out this Preliminary Scope of Work. See attached document.

Raphael Luna who is participating in The Capstone Project asked the group what the boundaries for this project should be?
 - Jackie initially answered to include: Del Cerro, Grantville and Allied Gardens although after discussion the project boundary was limited to Del Cerro due to the significant amount of work needed for this area as well as the limited time of the course at a single semester
 - Jackie also noted the significance of Adobe Falls and Chaparral Canyon as key areas for focus for this study
 - Dr. Ryan mentioned river restoration would be a good focus considering the San Diego River aspect of Adobe Falls
 - Dr. Ryan also mentioned Adobe Falls could become a living laboratory for SDSU
 - Another question asked by Raphael was whom the Key Stakeholders will be?
 - Jackie answered Del Cerro businesses and residences; Scott Sherman; SDSU; public utilities commission; DCAC; and the Navajo Planning Commission. It was recommended to speak to Jay Wilson; Dr. Frost; the Biology and Civil Engineering Departments at SDSU; and the San

Diego River Conservancy. Also to speak to Cal Trans to possibly remove the large boulders within the falls area as they were dumped there during the construction of Interstate 8. These boulders in recent years have been covered with graffiti and have become a magnet for trespassers. Unfortunately, social media has highlighted the falls as a desired destination, and, although trespassing is forbidden, it has become a haven for illicit activities. This trespassing has produced graffiti, fires, trash and even a home invasion that resulted in rape and murder, and the destruction of the natural environment and beauty of this unique ecosystem. A Cal-Trans mitigation project should be encouraged as one way of beginning the necessary restoration of both Chaparral Canyon and Adobe Falls, and as part of the larger San Diego River restoration program.

Community Relations Officer

- Officer John Steffen's Report —
John introduced himself and reviewed his professional background as well as he lives in Del Cerro
 - John spoke about Adobe Falls from the Waring Road side of the area and major issues related to crime. Police efforts have increased dramatically on the Waring Road side that has resulted in a significant drop in crime. The Del Cerro / College Avenue portion of Adobe Falls is owned by SDSU's therefore not within SDPD's jurisdiction
 - John reminded the Committee to call SDSU Police @ 619-594-5200 every time individuals are seen going into Adobe Falls
 - John reported there have been two recent home burglaries in Del Cerro
 - John recommend going on SDPD website crimemapping.com to receive alerts within specific areas
 - John also asked that all residents report all crimes even if there is no evidence – on line @ sandiegopolice.gov or call 619 531-2000

Neighborhood Watch Assistance — Discussion

- Goal to establish 10 new Neighborhood Watch groups for 2019
- Mary Roberts — Establishing a new Neighborhood Watch group
- Bob Hickman — Established a new Neighborhood Watch group
- Jim Listen — Has an existing, active Neighborhood Watch group
- Committee members to seek volunteers for our neighborhoods
- Committee members to review Neighborhood Watch information:
<http://www.sandiegoneighborhoodwatch.com/>

Chaparral Canyon Update

- Jackie brought Dr. Ryan and Raphael up to date on the recent Chaparral Canyon cleanup and the importance of including this area in the Capstone Project

Get-it-Done website <https://sandiego.gov/form/get-it-done-homepage>

- Committee member to report issues on Get-It-Done then report back to the Committee on the response efforts.

Report — Mary Roberts, Don Teemsma San Diego Fire and Rescue Foundation

- Mary reported on the success of the community outreach program for Alicia Zagal

Ad Hoc Committee Status Complete

- Mary reported on the SDFRF Chainsaw Project: all additional funds needed have been raised thanks to a generous contribution by Gene and Judy Siegal, our Local Neighborhood Heroes. Through their philanthropic efforts, all fire trucks in the City of San Diego are now equipped with chainsaws!

Secretary Report — Jeri Deneen

- Review of Action Items is postponed until the next meeting due to the substantial length, content and speakers present at tonight's meeting. Action Items remain as reported at the last meeting on October 10th, 2018.

6. **Action Items / Recap Motions** —

Actions:

- Committee members to note any and all crime and safety situations for the Capstone Project including identifying Neighborhood Watch groups
- Mary and Jane to investigate how many Neighborhood Watch Groups there are in our area and how many are currently active
- Committee members to review Collective Impact Framework | Collaboration For Impact website. <https://www.collaborationforimpact.com/collective-impact/>
This is the model that will be investigated through the Capstone Project
- Create a list of neighbors who could assist us with this effort
- Mary will send note but needs names and addresses. Jackie will send Mary the address of DCAC and Mary to send the thank you note
- Mary to contact Don Teemsma about using his advertising space to thank donors in the Mission Times Courier
- Jackie to provide Mary with police officer information to invite her to a Crime and Safety Committee Meeting in the future
- Committee members need to invite previous NW Captains to our next meeting

Motions:

- No motions set forth at this time

Nomination:

- No nominations set forth at this time

Appointments:

- No appointments set forth at this time

7. **Announcements** —

- The next FODC Board of Directors meeting is February 20th, 2019 at 6:30 at the home of Mark Allan
- The next FODC Crime and Safety meeting will be February 27th at Jeri's home at 6:30

8. **Adjourn** —

- 8:25pm

Respectfully submitted
Jeri Deneen
Secretary
February 8th, 2019