July 11, 2022 - SSBD Minutes

Luke Reynolds, Chairman

Molly Dougherty, Secretary

Jim Rick, Commissioner

Billy Tomber, Commissioner

Beth Hoops, Communications

Sgt. Kitchell, SLMPD & TCF

Jim Dallas, guest

Andre Maddox-Dallas, guest

Abbey Bethel, guest

Meeting commenced at 6:42pm at Soulard Station.

TCF Report for June

Review of previous months statistics including:

There were 4 domestic assault matters involving theft, which were classified as robberies.

3 Burglaries at the large apartment construction site on Marion and 7th Street

Several vehicle thefts

There are 1-2 groups of individuals causing issues in Soulard and throughout the city right now

Patrols on 7/8 stopped 3 of 4 individuals who were seen breaking into cars around 12th and Allen. Warrants were refused on the individuals.

2309 Menard on the morning of 7/10- 4 individuals grabbed an individual out of their car, put guns to their head and drove away with the vehicle.

1010 Geyer on 7/10, a female got in her car, a male climbed in the sunroof, hit her in the head with a pistol and another put a long barrel gun to her head. She was able to floor the car and get away.

Going forward: The 3rd District is moving the trailer cameras near Social House near the onramp (how many of these individuals exit the neighborhood and go to Illinois).

For a few weeks on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday there will be 2 patrol cars dedicated to Soulard, meaning they can't leave to respond to calls, one of the cars will be an LPR car. On Friday and Saturday for the next two weeks the stolen vehicle cars (FBI taskforce) will be here as well.

Guests brought up concerns at Pontiac Park where groups are regularly gathering on Saturdays and Sundays in the afternoon and getting rowdy. It's assumed they are possible committing crimes when they disburse. They've been seen exchanging guns and then a car jacking took place later that day.

Review of Minutes

Minutes from March, and April 2022 meetings were reviewed. Motion to approve the Minutes from March and April 2022 made by Chairman Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Tomber.

March and April 2022 Minutes approved unanimously.

Old Business

Traffic Calming Study - meeting recap; public feedback being collected via email through end of July. Camera Program – discussion of current camera locations and ideas for additions or repositioning; Board members meeting with Will Electronics this week to discuss camera options around Pontiac Square Park. TCF Patrols – discussion of technology options for TCF Patrols, including QR code check ins for foot patrols around Soulard.

New Patrol Car – Chairman Reynolds in touch with highway department about procuring new vehicle for TCF

New Business

Commissioner Tomber suggested writing a letter to prosecutor's office relaying disappointment around lack of warrants issued for suspects recently apprehended in Soulard, as described by Sgt Kitchell. Recommended working with other neighborhood organizations to co-issue letters.

Motion to adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Tomber, seconded by Commissioner Rick. Meeting adjourned at 8:41pm

Approved August 8, 2022

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