

**Super Neighborhood 17 – Eldridge/West Oaks  
Meeting Minutes November 8, 2023, 7:00 PM**

I. **Call to Order** President, Jeff Baker called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm with a quorum.

II. **Public Safety/Crime Stats – Senior Police Officer – Tim Whitaker/HPD**

**Crime Report:** On a month-to-month basis (Oct vs Sept), violent and non-violent crime are up 29% and 2%, respectively. On a YTD basis (2023 vs 2022), violent and non-violent crime are down by 13% and 2%, respectively. *Notably, auto thefts are up by 48% as compared to 2022.* Of 61 arrests, 25 were assaults and 8 were for DWI. See the SN-17 crime stats for October (p.3).

**HPD Westside PIP Meeting:** Thurs, Nov 16 @ 6:30 pm, 3203 S. Dairy Ashford. Guest Speaker, Sgt. Robles, Houston Emergency Center

III. **Guest Speaker – HPD Flock Camera Presentation - Sgt. Dorton and Officer J B Wyman**

This was a co-presentation in which the speakers covered specific aspects of the Flock Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) system. These two officers left no doubt about their dedication to the ALPR technology.

How does it work? Where deployed, these high speed cameras take images of passing cars and their associated license plates and convert these images into searchable digital formats. Digital parameters include state, date, location, body, make, car color and other car identifiers, e.g., luggage rack. Vehicles passing in the line of sight of the camera are run against a national database. Officers subscribe to the cameras from which they want to receive notification of a match with a reported vehicle.

The ALPR system is simple, efficient, objective and data driven. It thus allows officers to focus on vehicles that have been associated with felony activities. The ALPR system has been found to make the best use of understaffed police departments, and as such is a “force multiplier.”

The Flock ALPR system has been exceptionally effective in apprehending serial criminals and locating stolen vehicles. It has been applied to all types of crimes, including drug smuggling, human trafficking, amber alerts, child abductions, etc.

IV. **Community Leaders**

• **State Representative District 133 Mano DeAyala (Deanna Harrington)**

Governor Abbott called a 4<sup>th</sup> session of the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislature. This session continues further consideration/action upon education legislation (HB1 and HB2), and border security (HB3), including the Colony Ridge development in Liberty County.

• **District G - Office of Councilwoman Mary Nan Huffman (Sarah Jones)**

- Occupants of the encampment in the 800 block of Hwy 6 were given verbal warning to vacate by the property manager. HPD Differential Response Team had been to the encampment several times and arrested two people there that did not heed the warnings to vacate. A new commercial development is supposedly coming to this site. Its nature is unknown, but there has been mention of an apartment complex.
- Construction has begun on Kirkwood Phase 2 and the project is expected to be completed by Spring of 2025.
- Panel replacement on Dairy Ashford, northbound lanes from Briar Forest to Buffalo Bayou, is expected to be complete by late November/early December.

• **District F – Officer of Councilwoman Tiffany Thomas (Issac Eguia)**

- Isaac Eguia introduced himself as the new Chief of Staff for District F.  
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- **City of Houston –Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Office of Policing Reform & Accountability (Christina Nowak)**
  - Christina Nowak introduced herself as the newly appointed DIG of the Office of Policing and Accountability. She will work closely with the [Independent Police Oversight Board \(IPOB\)](#) and coordinate *One Safe Houston* activities. She will also serve as ombudsman for the citizens of Houston and oversee administration of the HPD Domestic Violence Unit and the Mental Health Crisis Unit that dispatches clinicians, freeing up officers. [christina.nowak@houstontx.gov](mailto:christina.nowak@houstontx.gov)
- **Harris County Precinct 4 – Lesley Briones/Victoria Calvillo**

Victoria highlighted the following upcoming events:

- Sat, Nov 11, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm – **Classic Car Show** 28515 Old Washington Rd, Hockley
- Sat, Nov 18, 8:00 am – 12: 00 pm - **Gun Buyback** Westchase Park & Ride 11050 Harwin Dr
- Thurs, Nov 30, 6 pm – **Listening Tour**, Memorial Kendall Library 609 N Eldridge Parkway

## V. Old Business

The October Meeting Minutes were approved.

## VI. New Business

- **Notice:** Election for President, Secretary and Treasurer at the January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting
- **Reserve at Barker Oaks:** After a discussion of the proposed 272-unit, multifamily development located at 2250 Barker Oaks Drive, a vote to oppose the project was recorded.
- **ECHO**chestra Energy Corridor events, *Sarah McDonner, Exec. Dir.*
  - Thurs, Nov 30, 5:00 – 9:00 PM – Annual Tree Lighting, Hyatt Regency Houston West
  - Sun, Dec 3, 5:00 – 8:00 PM – ECHOES IN THE AREA, Holiday Classics on the Lake
  - Sat, Dec 30 – 6:00 – 9:30 PM – DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY! Queensbury Theatre
- **HWY 6 Mobility Projects**, *GBH&BT Bryan Dotson, Trail Advocate*. Area residents know that Hwy 6 is a dangerous road, and statistics bear that out. *Over the past 3 years, the fatality rate (adjusted for vehicle miles) was over 10 times the average for all of Texas. We are working with TXDOT to encourage safety on Hwy 6 for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.*
- Specific to pedestrian and bicyclist safety, the following are under consideration (see map, p.3):
  - Extension of the off-street George Bush Hike & Bike trail (GBH&BT) south to Barker Oaks then along Piping Rock to Hwy. 6.
  - Paved side path on the west side of Hwy 6 between Piping Rock and Westheimer
  - Intersection improvements at Briar Forest and Piping Rock.
- Bryan will keep us updated on these projects and request SN-17 input and support for applications for funding.
- We are working to identify a speaker from the W. Harris Co TXDOT office to give an update on the most recent transportation/mobility studies and share new project proposals in and around SN-17.

**THERE IS NO MEETING IN DECEMBER**

**NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 10, 2024  
7:00 PM AT EAGLES TRACE**

## 2023 October Crime Stats

SN17	Sept	Oct	TREND	SN17	2022	2023	TREND
MURDER	0	0	0.00%	MURDER	10	5	-50.00%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	1	0	-100.00%	SEXUAL ASSAULT	30	19	-36.67%
ROBBERY	5	8	60.00%	ROBBERY	97	94	-3.09%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	18	23	27.78%	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	283	246	-13.07%
<b>Violent Crimes</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>29.17%</b>	<b>Violent Crimes</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>-13.33%</b>
BURGLARY HABITATION	19	20	5.26%	BURGLARY HABITATION	266	198	-25.56%
BURGLARY BUILDING	10	9	-10.00%	BURGLARY BUILDING	168	113	-32.74%
BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	68	92	35.29%	BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	703	702	-0.14%
THEFT	62	48	-22.58%	THEFT	512	483	-5.66%
AUTO THEFT	45	40	-11.11%	AUTO THEFT	252	372	47.62%
<b>Non-Violent Crimes</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>2.45%</b>	<b>Non-Violent Crimes</b>	<b>1901</b>	<b>1868</b>	<b>-1.74%</b>
<b>CRIMES TOTAL</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>5.26%</b>	<b>CRIMES TOTAL</b>	<b>2321</b>	<b>2232</b>	<b>-3.83%</b>

Current Month Arrests			
Aggravated Assault	12	Murder	0
Assault	13	Narcotics	5
Auto Theft	0	Prostitution	0
BMV	1	Off Against Family	0
Criminal Mischief	5	Robbery	2
Disorderly Conduct	2	Theft	0
Drunkenness	1	TMV	3
DWI	8	Weapons Violation	1
Forgery	0	All Other Crimes	8
<b>Total People Arrested</b>	<b>61</b>		

## HWY 6 Proposed Mobility Projects

