

ELDRIDGE/WEST OAKS SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD
Super Neighborhood 17 (SN17)
Monthly Meeting Minutes - Wednesday May 8th, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

<https://sn17.org/>

President, Jeff Baker; Vice-President, Nick Kornuta; Secretary, Joy Cocchiara; Treasurer, Diane Guillerman

Call to Order –The meeting was called to order by President, Jeff Baker at 7:05 pm with a quorum.

Public Safety – **Senior Police Officer - Tim Whitaker/HPD**

The April 2024 crime stats for SN-17 - year-to year and month-to-month - are on Page 4. There were 53 arrests in March, including 19 for assault/aggravated assault, 2 for narcotics, and 7 for DWI. As compared to March, burglaries (habitation, building and motor vehicle) were down and sexual assaults and robbery were up in April. Additionally, there was one Murder versus 0 in March.

Community Leaders

• **District G – Mary Nan Huffman/Brad Mushinski**

Update on USACE construction on Hwy 6 across from Eagle’s Trace. The Army Corps is still working to contract with a new entity to complete the construction of their new building, including working with the SBA. They have no estimate of when the work will recommence or when it will be completed. They have contracted for maintenance of the grass on the property to keep things looking better until the project is completed.

Work on Kirkwood from Briar Forest to Westheimer can be tracked by going to the EngageHouston.org website and signing up for alerts for this (and other) projects as you desire.

The next budget process is now getting started for the City. Finances will be strained more than usual. Councilmember Alcorn is the Chair of the Budget Committee. Questions can be directed to her office. Feel free to complete her budget survey: FY 2025 Your Two Cents Budget Survey found online at <https://www.houstontx.gov/council/5/budget-information>

Councilmember Huffman is seeking assistance from DPS for support to HPD in enforcement activity during this time when HPD employee numbers are down.

Notice of a Resident Resource Fair being held on August 24 from 10 a.m. – Noon at Grace Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall at 10221 Ella Lee Ln. Watch for more information from the District G monthly newsletter. Representatives from City Council, State Representative, Dept of Neighborhoods, etc. etc. Great resource for those wanted to get information back to the governing bodies.

Chief Troy Finner has resigned and the Acting Chief will be Larry Satterwhite, effective immediately.

- **Harris County Precinct 4 – Lesley Briones/Victoria Calvillo**

The County has grant funds from ARPA in the amount of \$6.2 million for the establishment of the Early Childhood Development Fund. Will fund grants for the needs of young children that have been exposed to violence.

Harris County has been awarded a grant for \$249.7 million to help low- income households through the Solar For All program.

Lactation Pods will be installed in the County Courthouse Building.

May 27 will be the date for Precinct 4's Memorial Day Ceremony being held at Bear Creek Pioneers Park at 2 p.m. This will event will honor those service men and women who paid the ultimate price to protect our freedom.

Saturday, June 15 will be the date of the Meet the Heroes of Hurricane Preparedness event at Bayland Park from 9 a.m. until Noon. Providing family fun along with hurricane planning resources.

Summer Movie Nights will be returning, watch for more details to come.

Precinct 4 will be hosting Townhalls on the establishment of the next County Budget. Look for information on these, which are expected to be held in August or September.

- **City of Houston Department of Neighborhoods – Rene Ruiz**

Rene explained a bit about the nature of his role and indicated that the Inspections Division drives the largest part of his workload. Smaller items such as junk and unkept grass can be cited and followed up with fairly quickly, in spite of the fact that there are only 30 inspectors for the entire City. The most time-consuming action is the process to address dangerous buildings. This requires long time periods and research on property ownership to keep this moving forward. Be very patient and prepared to deal with a very drawn-out process. This is simply what must happen to protect the property rights of all those involved. The sooner that the problem property is reported, the faster it can be completed.

- **Houston Metro – Margaret Dunlap**

The major project to upgrade much of the METRO amenities along Westheimer has begun. This will be a 19.3-mile project from Downtown to State Hwy 6 in 3 segments labeled A, B and C from east to west. This is on the Metro Westheimer 82 route. Work is beginning on Segments A and B. The segment in SN17 (segment C) has not had a start date established at this time. Watch for more information to come.

Committee Reports – Jeff Baker

Public Safety update. New Interim Chief Satterwhite has hit the ground running and is working with other agencies to help get as much support as possible to enhance law enforcement in Houston. He is working to get as many officers on the street as possible. More updates to come.

Old Business

Both the March and April draft minutes were approved.

Bryan Dotson refreshed the group on the project he is promoting to connect the George Bush Park bike trail system to the established bike routes east of Hwy 6 with a crossing at or near Piping Rock. SN17 was unanimous in its support of this application for funding and will provide a letter of support for the application.

New Business

- **District Attorney Candidate – Dan Simons** Dan introduced himself to the audience.
- **M.D. Anderson Cancer Center – Sin Ying Chan** Made a presentation about the month of May being Clinical Trial Awareness Month. Page 5 includes some basic information on Clinical Trials and links to more.

NEXT MEETING: June 12th, 2024

**SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD 17
HPD WESTSIDE DIVISION CRIME STATS**

Month-to-Month Trends (Mar/Apr)

SN17	Mar	Apr	TREND
MURDER	0	1	100.00%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	1	4	300.00%
ROBBERY	8	12	50.00%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	30	24	-20.00%
Violent Crimes	39	41	5.13%
BURGLARY HABITATION	16	12	-25.00%
BURGLARY BUILDING	19	12	-36.84%
BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	59	53	-10.17%
THEFT	45	31	-31.11%
AUTO THEFT	21	18	-14.29%
Non-Violent Crimes	160	126	-21.25%
CRIMES TOTAL	199	167	-16.08%

Year-to-Date Trends (2023/2024)

SN17	2023	2024	TREND
MURDER	2	2	0.00%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	7	9	28.57%
ROBBERY	35	41	17.14%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	109	109	0.00%
Violent Crimes	153	161	5.23%
BURGLARY HABITATION	91	53	-41.76%
BURGLARY BUILDING	58	65	12.07%
BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	272	233	-14.34%
THEFT	185	171	-7.57%
AUTO THEFT	128	104	-18.75%
Non-Violent Crimes	734	626	-14.71%
CRIMES TOTAL	887	787	-11.27%

ARRESTS*

Current Month Arrests			
Aggravated Assault	5	Murder	0
Assault	14	Narcotics	2
Burglary Building	1	Prostitution	0
Burglary Habitation	0	Sexual Offenses	0
Criminal Mischief	1	Sexual Assault	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	Auto Theft	4
Drunkenness	0	Robbery	0
DWI	7	Weapons Violation	5
Theft	0	All Other Crimes	13
Total People Arrested	53		

** Arrests made during the course of the offense on the original offense date and location*

Clinical Trials Presentation

Presented by

SinYing Chan, MPH
Health Education Specialist

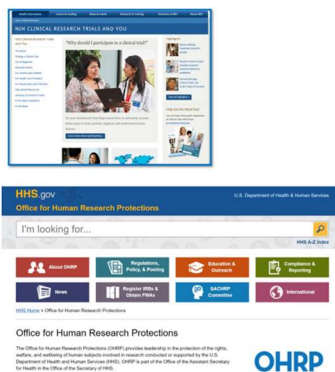
The Center for Community-Engaged Translational Research (CCETR)
Department of Health Disparities Research
The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center



Clinical Trials Awareness Month

- Every May, Clinical Trials Month is observed nationally to increase public awareness about the significance of clinical trials and their influence on healthcare.
- International Clinical Trials Awareness Day is observed on May 20.
- Clinical trials are important for developing new procedures, medications, and treatments that can improve patient outcomes and quality of life.
- At The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, we believe that everyone should know about clinical trials.

Want to learn more about clinical trials?



- National Cancer Institute
1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237)
www.clinicaltrials.gov
- U.S. Health & Human Services Office for Human Research Protection
<https://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/education-and-outreach/about-research-participation/informational-videos/index.html>
- MD Anderson Cancer Center
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