HPCC Community Zoom Meeting
January 20, 2022

In Attendance - 28 Participants.

**Zone 5 Updates** - Commander Vinansky

Over the past 30 days:

- A shooting 12/25 in the 5700 block of Avondale Place
  - Victim is recovering; ongoing investigation; no current suspects.
- Shooting in the 6300 block of St. Marie
- Domestic assault in the 800 block of N. Euclid
- Theft from commercial vehicle 7400 block of Lake Drive - tools stolen
- Two stolen vehicles
  - East Liberty Blvd. and Highland Ave. The vehicle was recovered.
  - 1400 block of Mellon St.
- November Hate Crime
  - Ongoing investigation with State law enforcement and FBI.
  - Stressed that there is no tolerance for hate crimes in the City.
- Zone 5 has increased ongoing patrols on Stanton Ave. due to numerous reports of speeding and running stop signs.
  - The Commander requests that neighbors report any violation patterns to him directly.

**HPCC Updates** - Stephanie Walsh

5G towers (Stephanie)

- The noisy ones in Highland Park are not working correctly and are being replaced
- DOMI identified the following locations for replacement:
  - 2227 Los Angeles Ave
  - 207 S Aiken Ave
  - 5556 Wellesley Ave
  - 5550 Dunmoyle St
  - 6101 Jackson St
  - 944 N Sheridan
  - 901 Mellon St
  - 5501 Avondale St
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- HPCC and HPCDC provided feedback on noise allowance w/ proposed rules
- The City is developing policies for installation.
  - Currently the noise generated from the malfunctioning towers does not exceed the City noise ordinance.
- Ethan Trott, Council Person Deb Gross’ Office - if you’re not sure who to call, call her office & they’ll help you
Healthy Ride Bikes update
- City getting new system
- In transition, some stations will be closed including all of the stations in HP
- We requested they be replaced in the future
- Recycled Healthy Ride bikes will be made available to the public; HPCC applied to distribute some.
  - 15 bikes were requested.

Super Playground update (Sabrina) - schedule & trees
- Work should start next month and be complete by Memorial Day
- PPC will tend the 42 new trees being planted
- People can sponsor a tree or contribute to a tree fund - HPCC will be posting info
  - PPC will be conducting the actual fund raising for the purchase of new trees.
- Suzie Salo - PPC has a podcast that she highly recommends.

Urban Conga
- Provide feedback on proposed design here: https://engage.pittsburghpa.gov/art-parks/urban-conga

Mik Pappas’ office
- Now open - check out mural - coming to next Community Mtg & will give us a virtual tour

**Presentation #1: Jourdan Hicks, PublicSource**
- Website: https://www.publicsource.org/
- Podcast: www.publicsource.org/from-the-source-podcast/
- Jourdan’s email: jourdan@publicsource.org
- Hyper local news source
- Entirely online
- They publish about “climate, not weather”
  - Big ideas, not day to day news.
- They are an online storytelling source for the City.
- There’s a podcast, you can subscribe to email updates & newsletters, etc.
- They are currently hiring.
- Reach out to Jourdan if you have an idea for an article or other materials to share

**Presentation #2: PWSA, Mora McLaughlin and Sarah Bolenbugh; Evolve, DJ Bryant; and Brown and Caldwell, Heather Dodson**
- Gave overview of Water Reliability Plan
- Presented proposed upgrades to the Bruecken Pump Station which is at the end of Washington Boulevard by the river; only the driveway entrance is in Highland Park - that part of the property is used by Public Works
• Old station will be repurposed; new station will be built next to it
• Brown and Caldwell (engineers) and Evolve (architects)
• They are looking for community feedback before going before the Art Commission.
• These upgrades are part of the Water Reliability Plan that PWSA provided a presentation about at an HPCC Community Meeting last fall.
• See link to the slide presentation.
• Neighbors (the two residential properties and the boat club) will be contacted directly.