January, 2024 HPCC Virtual Community Meeting

This meeting was recorded and can be viewed on the HPCC YouTube page

In Attendance - 28 participants

Called to order at 7 P.M. by Sabrina Culyba, HPCC Vice President

Agenda:

- HPCC Updates
 - The HPCC SOS Program will continue due to additional funding from the City and HPCC as it has proven to be a very valued Community service.
 - Contact SOS at 412 368-6471 or sos@hpccpgh.org
 - Feedback is being requested regarding work done on Reservoir Drive.
 - Use the link in Engage Pittsburgh for your input.
 - First annual Highland Park calendars are beautiful, replete with photos from HP neighbors.
 - Calendars are on sale at the Bryant St. Market or send us an email at HPCC.

• Zone 5 Updates - Past 30 days - Sgt, Maddox

- Two burglaries on N. Euclid
- One burglary on Bryant St.- Market break in
- Brick thrown into window at Tazza D'Oro
- Multiple vehicle break ins mainly involving Toyota Prius'
 - Older Prius' have rear windows that are easier to access.
 - No high value items were stolen from vandalized vehicles.
- Zone 5 has saturated the HP area with patrol cars to deter break ins
 - Always lock your vehicles and remove all items from your vehicles
 - If you own a Toyota Prius remain aware.
- What's New & Upcoming at the Pittsburgh Zoo for 2024 Jenn Thorpe, VP of Education & Community Engagement Pgh. Zoo & Aquarium
 - Focus is on sharing with the community what the Zoo has planned in 2024, including Zoo camps, the special programs, new additions, etc.
 - This will also be a time for the Zoo to hear other ideas or feedback from neighborhood community members.
 - SEE LINK TO PRESENTATION.
 - Follow up questions that were answered via email afterwards:
 - A few years ago there was talk about having new signage down by the light by the Exxon station to indicate that you're arriving at the Zoo. What happened to that? Is that still in the works?
 - While it is not on the immediate project plan for the next few years, we do still hope to beautify that space and implement a welcome sign as part of our long-term upgrades to the Zoo.

Along some of the chain link fencing it looks like there are some tarps, what's going on with that?

 We do have plastic tarps on one gate (Gate A), which were added after Zoo Lights. That gate is not able to support the weight of the green fence screening material we have on the rest of the exterior perimeter fence, but it provides a visual barrier to some behind-the-scenes spaces. Tarps at the PWSA construction area (near the bridge past the Education Center) will be removed once that construction has been completed, which I don't have a timeline on.