Culver Crest Neighborhood Association
Minutes of the General Meeting  November 16, 2016
El Rincon Elementary Cafetorium

Board members present: Antoine Durr, Jill McKeon, Rob Greenspan, Margarita Chie, Howard Lichtman, John Romanak, Rich Kissel

Board members not present: Mike Doyle

Board advisors present: Ron Ostrin
25-30 neighbors present

1. Call to order: approx. 6:45 (secretary not present)
2. Golden State Water
   a. Gave presentation about operations (secretary missed first 15 minutes)
   b. putting in a new water main, brand new water pipe, new feed for hydrants
      i. Q: will it increase water pressure?
      ii. A: Probably stay the same
   c. They do pressure testing at end of project. Current pipes are 4” and 6”, replacing it all with 8”
      i. Q: Is this full amount that you would like to have done, or were there cutbacks?
      ii. A: as with other municipalities, water infrastructure is very old; we try to come up with 3 year plan to replace the mains that are oldest/most deserving, have lots of leaks. In 3 year plan we do “everything” that we schedule
      iii. Q: for street repair, you patch, are you responsible for replacing entire street?
      iv. A: we just redo trench
      v. Q: material you’re using, is it more resistant to earthquakes?
      vi. A: using PVC, has very good resistance to EQ, unlike older pipes which are more brittle
      vii. Q: Is new material more resistant to tree roots?
      viii. A: older pipes are in sidewalk, newer pipes are more down middle of street so roots aren’t such an issue
      ix. Q: Whitburn has some places that have periodic leaks; will new pipes make older smaller pipes break?
      x. A: newer pipes, given that they’re 8”, will ease the pressure
      xi. Q: what is water pressure supposed to be to residence
      xii. A: 40-120 is spec’ed range, CC lower on top of hill, 70-80 is target
xiii. Q: we get water quality reports; how much of that kind of testing gets done in neighborhoods like ours? The taste is not the same that it used to be

xiv. A: just finished series of lead and copper samples throughout the city, all well below thresholds/levels

xv. A: will get some water quality improvement, as older cast iron has tubercles that bust loose; PVC will never have that as it has no metal to break down

xvi. A: source of water is 100% metropolitan water district sourced; years ago we had wells as well. We do have a couple of working wells for standby, e.g. disaster

xvii. A: don’t let people get sick or town burn down, so standby wells are for emergency fire

xviii. Q: how have conservation efforts gone?

xix. A: City of CC met most of reduction targets, 16% reduction vs. most other areas at 8% or 9%

3. CC public works:
   a. Charles Herbertson is director of public works and city engineers
   b. Mate Gaspar is engineering services manager
   d. Regarding Golden State Water Co.’s repiping on the Crest:
      i. they will put down temporary paving after they replace water lines
      ii. that’s not the permanent paving -- they put that in until they get enough of project done
      iii. then they do the final repaving that’s neater and smoother, and city will inspect and sign off on it
      iv. but there is that period of time where there is a lot of temporary paving, e.g. right now ‘til early next year
   e. Mate: painting projects:
      i. since 2008 the city has paved about 80% of streets on the Crest – this was after city spent money replacing sewer lines
      ii. Federal Government requires every agency that receives federal funds to have each street rated on scale of 0-100
   f. Streets that are left:
      i. Esterina (35, will be done Jan-March timeframe after GSW is done)
      ii. Youngworht, Hill, and Ranch
      iii. Measure M passed, so CC will see an influx of about $0.5M for paving
      iv. Linda way (46)
      v. Ranch is most heavily travelled street on Crest
      vi. lower RanchTtellefson junction -- many outpourings from neighbors of places that need work!
   g. major digression onto subject of Coyotes
i. Marycrest is private property, we can reach out to them

h. X-mas tree disposal:
   i. doing things a bit different this year w/holiday trees
   ii. you can still cut up your xmas tree and put it in green bin
   iii. 4 different drop-off locations for disposing of trees, located at
       the major parks within CC
   iv. Q: can we no longer leave trees out on first two trash collection
       days after holidays?
   v. A: no, a separate collector has to go out as normal trash
       collection is automated, i.e. only handles the regular bins

i. bike and pedestrian initiative:
   i. city has bicycle and pedestrian master plan, will be updated
      next year
   ii. looking at possible connection between downtown and expo
      station, e.g. dedicated bike route, something /other/ than cars!
   iii. Overland Blvd: a lot of concern about traffic, crossing the
        street, etc.
       1. doing a traffic study, what would happen if we did a
          "road diet", i.e. reduce the # of lanes and put in some
          protected bike lanes, e.g. 1 lane in each direction + bike
          lane,
       2. i.e. go from thoroughfare to a residential feel street?
          What is the traffic impact? Studying it currently, but
          any change is pretty far away
       3. Q: does a road diet increase/or decrease traffic, or more
          specifically, increase congestion?
       4. A: it forces traffic to seek alternate routes
       5. Q: why flashing red instead of signal?
       6. A: community wants it, though traffic level definitely
          supports having a signal there; community is trying to
          avoid having it as a thoroughfare
       7. Q: back when we had the slope slippage, we lost
          Tellefson as a throughway, so Ranch was the only way
          to get up the Crest; at that time it was agreed to
          redstripe part of the parking in front of Ron Ostrin's
          house, was indicated as temporary, but the red striping
          is still there.
       8. A: will make note to look/correct
       9. Q: after all the construction is done, the entire crest
          needs restriping, e.g. stop lines, ‘STOP’ on street, etc.

4. Elections:
   a. 4 open seats
   b. Candidates are: Margarita Chie (incumbent), Rob Greenspan
      (incumbent), Matt Keller, Scott Chrichton
   c. No nominations from the floor
d. Rich Kissel: Motion to elect all 4 candidates as a slate. 2nd'ed (unknown). Motion passed unanimously.
e. Board members elected:
   i. Margarita Chie
   ii. Rob Greenspan
   iii. Matt Keller
   iv. Scott Chichton

5. CCPD:
   a. Sgt. Jackson from CCPD, traffic, parking, and animal controls section
   b. Normally Lt. Agaiby is your representative but he is attending a meeting
   c. crime in the area:
      i. part 1 crimes (reported to Sacramento: robberies, grand theft, commercial burglary, etc)
      ii. Jefferson to Playa and Sepulveda to Overland
      iii. Since August, 2 motor vehicle thefts, 1 on Kellmore
      iv. Estes robberies (altercation with suspect), 4 at large retailers
      v. 4 burglaries (all commercial) in Raintree plaza and Menchies
      vi. 1 on Youngworth
d. theft prevention:
      i. packages, they'll just follow UPS trucks around
      ii. have it delivered to somewhere where you have to pick it up
      iii. if you see someone follow a UPS truck call CCPD
      iv. have not seen many packages swiped off of porches, but there was a crew operating 7-8 months ago that was arrested
e. coyotes:
      i. can't shoot them
      ii. there is a management plan in place
      iii. animal control officer out for a few days due to dog bite yesterday
f. 911 dispatch system
   i. in Feb they're moving the dispatch center to a regional communication center, with a dedicated group
   ii. some CC dispatchers are moving to new group
   iii. should be no difference in response
g. other
   i. Q: can we cut down on Waze drivers driving recklessly through intersections? We would like officers to write tickets in a more regular/persistent manner

6. WLAC running track:
   a. Jill McKeon:
   b. CC City council + reps of WLAC, brand new president of WLAC met
   c. the track is “not fully done yet” even though it’s been open to the school’s students
d. WLAC is going to keep it closed to the public until they get a “reader machine”, for distributing cards to CC community for those who want to use the track
   i. the machine is on back order, so they don’t want to open the track to the public yet
   ii. general consensus that this seemed very ad-hoc and exclusionary
7. Meeting adjourned: 8:37pm