

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
MID CITY WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Tuesday, August 25, 2009

Held at the NCJW Building, 543 N. Fairfax Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90036

ATTENDING: Committee members Tara Brown, Nina Diamante-Vera, Paul Lerner, Lois Luger, and Kimberly Wessler;

Guests: Nancy Vimla, Bruce McCormick, and Yuval Kremer.

Tara Brown called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

The Committee approved the minutes of the July 28, 2009 meeting by a vote of 5-0.

Paul Lerner recapped the National Night Out event held August 4, 2009 in Poinsettia Park, and thanked Mid City West for sponsoring the event, and committee members for volunteering. The event was a big success. Tara Brown reported that the Mid City West booth was popular, and that Mid City West volunteers gave away many glo-sticks.

Also, Paul Lerner reported that the LAPD Wilshire Station Open House had been very successful. Mid City West had sponsored that event as well.

There was a discussion about office equipment needed at LAPD Wilshire Station. Paul Lerner said that he had not heard back from Sgt. Kirby about what was needed, and said he would follow up with him.

There was discussion about where and when to hold the next Public Safety Walk. Kimberly Wessler suggested holding the Walk in lieu of the October Public Safety Committee meeting, on Tuesday, October 27, from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea. Five potential locations had previously been chosen for the Walk. An online poll was put up on the Mid City West web site to gauge community preferences among these locations. Also, Paul said that he would check with the LAPD to get crime statistics for each of the five areas. The final location will be chosen at the September 22, 2009 Public Safety Committee meeting.

Yvette Neal of Pacific Graffiti Solutions did not appear, so discussion of graffiti clean-up funding was tabled.

During board member comments, Nina Diamante-Vera described an emergency preparedness seminar she will be giving for senior citizens.

Tara Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.