

ASNC ALIEF SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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Citizens Working Together to Improve the Quality of Life in Alief

Meeting Minutes for April 30, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting was convened at 6:35 pm by Chair Barbara Quattro. Board members present were Doug Smith, Treasurer, and Alan Steinberg, Vice Chair.

Treasurer’s Report: We have \$536.62 in our account as of the meeting date.

Alief Houston Police Department Report: Westside Command Center crime statistics for the Alief area. Crime statistics are as follows:



SN 25 Westside	February	March	TREND
MURDER	1	2	100.00%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	8	1	-87.50%
ROBBERY	32	22	-31.25%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	30	36	20.00%
Violent Crimes	71	61	-14.08%
BURGLARY HABITATION	34	21	-38.24%
BURGLARY BUILDING	19	20	5.26%
BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	55	80	45.45%
THEFT	105	132	25.71%
AUTO THEFT	24	36	50.00%
Non-Violent Crimes	237	289	21.94%
CRIMES TOTAL	308	350	13.64%

SN 25 Westside	2022	2023	TREND
MURDER	4	3	-25.00%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	12	11	-8.33%
ROBBERY	110	73	-33.64%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	149	104	-30.20%
Violent Crimes	275	191	-30.55%
BURGLARY HABITATION	79	75	-5.06%
BURGLARY BUILDING	78	62	-20.51%
BURGLARY MOTOR VEHICLE	313	228	-27.16%
THEFT	248	387	56.05%
AUTO THEFT	129	112	-13.18%
Non-Violent Crimes	847	864	2.01%
CRIMES TOTAL	1122	1055	-5.97%

Current Month Arrests			
Aggravated Assault	9	Murder	0
Assault	13	Narcotics	12
AutoTheft	0	Forgery	0
Burglary Habitation	1	Robbery	3
Burglary Building	0	Prostitution	1
BMV	0	Sexual Offenses	1
Criminal Mischief	1	Theft	3
Disorderly Conduct	6	Weapons Violation	3
DWI	11	All Other Crimes	12
Total People Arrested	76		

Speaker: Joshua Zuber, AAA

Mr. Zuber’s presented information on distracted driving. Distracted driving kills 9 people and injures 1000 more each day in the United States. Distracted driving is defined as anything that takes your eyes off the road, your hands off the wheel, or your mind off driving. Most people associate distracted driving with smartphone use and texting and, while that is a major problem, other distractions include talking on the phone, chatting with other people in the vehicle, using in-vehicle navigation and eating and/or drinking.

AAA’s public information campaign is focused on making distracted driving socially unacceptable, and is entitled, “Don’t Drive Intoxicated. Don’t Drive Intexticated.” Facts included:

- 5 seconds of reading an email is like driving the entire length of a football field blindfolded.
- Drivers can experience a “Hangover Effect” – a lasting mental distraction that can last up to 27 seconds after a driver uses their mobile device.

David Nguyen, Harris County Precinct 4 Community Engagement Coordinator:

- The County is currently determining the best plan for the \$2 million (federal) ARPA grant that will be used to help create linear forests (esplanade tree plantings) within Alief.
- The County is exploring ways to develop a year-round pool in Alief using existing structures. Possible sites include the YMCA and the Alief ISD Natatorium.
- Residents in the Bissonnet area would like to have a County Park closer to them. The County is currently exploring possibilities.
- City of Houston and Precinct 4 will be presenting a novella entitled *Memories of my Grandfather* on May 23rd at Bayland Park.

Veronica Hernandez, Mayor’s Assistance Office Assistance:

- COH will present the Turnaround Job Fair on April 27th at the Alief Neighborhood Center
- COH will hold a Health Fair on May 20th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Alief Neighborhood Center

Presentations:

- Council Member Edward Pollard (District J) presented the ASNC with a Certificate of Recognition at the City Council meeting. April is national diversity month, and the presentation was to recognize the huge diversity in District J. A small portion of District J is within the ASNC boundaries.
- Ivan Sanchez, United States Millennials and candidate for the District J Council seat presented the ASNC with a \$1000 check which will be dedicated to our tree planting program.
- Jan Albers, Alief AARP Chapter, presented a Volunteer of the Year award to Barbara Quattro from the national AARP.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Minutes written and submitted by Barbara Quattro