Garden District Security District Public Hearing and Board of Commissioners Meeting November 15, 2023

The regular meeting, public hearing of the Board of Commissioners of Garden District Security District convened on November 15, 2023 at 6pm at Trinity Episcopal Church, Bishop's Hall. Ms. Landrieu was present as Executive Director, confirmed the posting of the notice and called the roll. Commissioners present included Baudouin, Davis, Holton, LeGardeur, Schmidt, Shugar, and Wolf constituting a quorum. Commissioner LeGardeur, President, called for the public hearing to open and called the meeting to order. Chad Perez, head of Pinnacle/ GDSD patrol was in attendance as well as 2 neighbors.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. LeGardeur requested a motion to waive the reading and accept the minutes from the September 28, 2023. A motion was made by Mrs. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Wolf and were accepted as presented.

Financial Report

Mr. Davis noted that the financial reports in the distributed packets showed 10/31/23 Balance Sheet, P&L v Budget and P&L v Previous Year reports. The most recent Board of Liquidation reports were included. There were no questions or concerns raised though he noted that collections were significantly ahead of expectations.

Patrol Report

Mr. Perez of Pinnacle gave a brief patrol report and handed out a report to those in attendance. His report noted 1676 total calls for October. This included 21 escorts, 73 suspicious persons, 124 business checks and 209 subjects moved and 435 citizen contacts. He noted that according to NOPD stats, there was a theft recovery of two stolen vehicles at 1st and Magazine. Ms. Landrieu noted that the number if escorts seemed to be lower than in the past. It was also reported that the patrol officers had detained a burglar in the shed of a resident's home in the 2300 block of Camp Street. NOPD officers were on the scene as well. It was later noted that a shoplifting suspect had been detained by the GDSD officers a few days prior.

There were no concerns raised.

Neighborhood Camera Program

Mr. LeGardeur reported that the camera program was moving forward and that a potential 56 camera locations had been identified, with possible 2 cameras at each location. He hoped to reach a goal of 200 cameras installed by the end of the 1st quarter of 2024.

He and Mrs. Schmidt noted that the Outreach Committee has started following up with those who had expressed interest. She also noted that Mrs. Holton has approached the Magazine Street Merchants for the list of contacts there.

Liability Insurance

Mr. Baudoin reported that liability insurance had been secured and would cover slip and fall incidents and incidents by the NOPD. The Pinnacle officers and incidents would be covered by their policy. GDSD is listed as an additionally insured.

Adjournment

There was no further business. Upon a motion, duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned.