

**CITY OF FONTANA  
FONTANA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**TO:** All Attendees of the Area 2 East Community Meeting  
**FROM:** Lt. Obie Rodriguez, Area Commander Beat 2  
**DATE:** February 9, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Community Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2009

**Community Assistance Program (CAP) Coordinator Linda Burton**

- The City of Fontana in partnership with the Water of Life Community Church offers Fontana residents no-cost or low-cost community services through the **C**ommunity **A**ssistance **P**rogram (CAP). CAP provides area residents with the ability to readily access resources and community services; which enrich the lives of families and individuals, enabling them to lead more productive lives.

Fontana's CAP program brings together community assistance organizations, local churches and schools to create a network designed to solve problems and assist people in need. For more information go to [www.FontanaCAP.org](http://www.FontanaCAP.org) or call Linda at (909) 463-0103 x198.

- All residents are invited to attend the CAP Resource Fair which will be held on Thursday, April 30, 2009 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. The event will be held at the Jessie Turner Center located at 15556 Summit Avenue, Fontana. This is a great opportunity to meet agency representatives from all parts of San Bernardino County who offer all types of services that are no-cost or low-cost. For a list of services go to [www.FontanaCAP.org](http://www.FontanaCAP.org) and click on “resources.”

**Lieutenant Obie Rodriguez**

- Introduced City Council Mayor Pro-Tem Acquanetta Warren, City Council Member John Roberts, Dave Teater from Traffic Engineering, Ted Porlas from Code Compliance, and Erik Garwick from Parks and Landscape.
- The Fontana Police Department has a new online police reporting system for residents. This web based reporting system will allow the public to file certain incident types (minor theft, vehicle burglary, lost property, vandalism, child custody violations, and hit & run accidents) over the Internet at their convenience.

The service will allow the public to file a report at a time that is best for them without having to wait for an officer to respond or call them back.

The public will be able to print a temporary copy of the report upon completion. The report will be reviewed by a police corporal or sergeant and once approved the filing person will receive an email with a copy of the report attached without cost. The report will transfer into the Fontana Police Departments records management system and receive the same investigation and statistical analysis ability as if the report had been filed by a police officer.

This web based reporting option will allow officers more time to address community needs while keeping pace with the public expectancy to complete services via the internet.

The web based crime reporting service is available at [www.fontana.org/police](http://www.fontana.org/police).

- The Fontana Police Department offers free car seat installation and inspections. Certified child passenger safety technicians will inspect and install your child's safety seat to ensure they are riding safely to decrease the risk of fatal injury in a traffic accident. If you wish to take advantage of this program please call (909) 350-7758 or (909) 350-7710 to schedule an appointment.
- The Fontana Police Department is hosting its annual Citizen's Academy. This is a nine week course in which you will learn about different units within the Police Department and what they do. Classes are held every Thursday evening from March 6<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. Registration is required. For more information contact Heather Howard at (909) 350-7758 or via email to [hhoward@fontana.org](mailto:hhoward@fontana.org).
- The City of Fontana now has an abandoned shopping cart program. The hotline number is (909) 350-6760. Simply call the number and give the location of the shopping cart and it will be scheduled for pickup.

### **THE ITEMS LISTED IN BOLD PRINT REFLECT ACTIONS TAKEN**

#### **Concerns of Walnut Village Residents:**

- Resident asked in speed bumps could be installed on Casmalia, East of Mango.  
**Dave Teater from Traffic Engineering advised that area is in the city of Rialto. He further added that Fontana does not place speed bumps on city streets because it causes other issues, such as slowing down Emergency Vehicles that need to get to a location as quickly as possible and the risk of liability. Also, drivers will simply choose to go to the next street over and speed through that neighborhood. It also increases noise and air quality issues.**

**Lieutenant Rodriguez will notify the Police Department Traffic Unit to check the area for speeders and utilize the radar trailer.**

- Resident advised drivers are speeding and driving recklessly in front of the school on Mango.  
**Lieutenant Rodriguez will notify the Fontana Police Department Traffic Unit to check the area for speeders and enforce the speed limit in the school zone.**
- Resident complained that they are unable to make a left hand turn on to Highland from Mango.  
**Dave Teater from Traffic Engineering will have his department review.**
- Resident advised there are no street signs on the North side of Walnut, West of Sierra.  
**Dave Teater from Traffic Engineering asked residents to report missing or damaged street signs to Public Works at (909) 350-6760 and requests for new signs needed to Traffic Engineering at (909) 350-7610.**
- Resident asked if curbs could be painted red wherever there is a fire hydrant. She recently received a citation for parking too close to a hydrant in her neighborhood.  
**Lieutenant Rodriguez advised it is against the law to park within 15 feet of a fire hydrant. Curbs will not be painted red.**
- Resident advised that there is a rod iron fence by the water detention basin (storm drain) that needs to be painted and straightened.  
**Erik Garwick with Public Services advised that some of these are privately owned and some are city owned. He will identify and handle.**
- Resident advised that there are fences on Mango that have been knocked down by a vehicle or high winds and the home owner has not replaced or repaired the fence.  
**Code Compliance Manager Ted Porlas advised that the city cannot require a homeowner to maintain their fences.**
- Resident advised that on very windy days there is trash blowing from the landfill into Walnut Village. They are especially having trouble with plastic trash bags that are blown into the trees throughout the neighborhoods.  
**Mayor Pro-Tem Acquanetta Warren advised residents to contact San Bernardino Waste Services. Erik Garwick from Public Services added that he will also be contacting Waste Services to work towards a resolution to this problem.**

- Resident asked for extra patrol on Los Cedros. They had a broken window and a slashed tire on their vehicle and a neighbor also had a problem.  
**Lieutenant Rodriguez will review and handle.**
- Resident asked when the streets will be resurfaced on Lurelane and Blanchard. The Water Company patched and marked the street up with blue paint in the summer of 2008 and never had the street resurfaced.  
**Todd Heagstedt from Public Services will check the area and arrange to have the blue paint removed.**
- Resident asked if graffiti removal people could use colors closer to the wall color when painting over graffiti or at least use the same color of paint when covering graffiti on two different areas on the same fence or wall.  
**Lieutenant Rodriguez will discuss with Public Works.**

**Lieutenant Rodriguez reminded all in attendance not to wait for a community meeting if they have a problem; they can call him anytime at (909) 356-7142 or via email at orodriguez@fontana.org.**

**Mayor Pro-Tem Acquanetta Warren reminded everyone that the City of Fontana Brochure which is distributed to all residents is an excellent source of information.**

**The next meeting date is May 7, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Ruble Middle School located at 6762 Juniper Avenue.**

**Please submit any items for the next meeting's agenda by May 6, 2009 to:**

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