Fulton Safety Committee report – January 13, 2016

(Submitted by Dave Delvoye.)

At its January 26 meeting, the committee will review and update its charter from 1998 – see the text below. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate!

Crime reports

December 7 Between 6:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., unknown suspect(s) entered a home on the <u>5000</u> <u>block of York</u>. There was no sign of forced entry. Police found no evidence, and the resident(s) were unsure if anything had been stolen.

December 9 Between 8:50 and 9:05 a.m., an unknown suspect entered a vehicle which was parked on the street on the <u>4700 block of Washburn</u>, rummaged through it, and took a backpack and other items.

December 15 At about 7:10 a.m., at an unnamed store in the <u>Pinehurst Building at 4999 France Ave</u>, a male suspect approached a person and asked to use the person's phone. The suspect then asked for directions. While the person was looking up directions, the suspect grabbed the person's laptop computer and fled from the store.

The Fulton Safety Committee will meet on Tuesday, January 26, at 7 p.m. at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 4801 France Ave.

Note: use the France Ave entrance if the entrance from the parking lot is still closed.

1998 Fulton Safety Committee Charter

<u>Safety Committee Mission</u>: build community by strengthening connections, communication, and relationships among neighbors, between neighbors and police, and among community organizations.

Strategies:

Expand and strengthen the network of CCP/SAFE Block Club leaders and safety advocates (separate from the Block Development Strategy block contacts); publish and distribute a regular newsletter for this network to provide a forum for the exchange of information, ideas, and concerns; and hold regular meetings with CCP / SAFE for members of this network to share information and build community connections.

Report regularly to the FNA board of directors on neighborhood safety issues, and work with the board to implement safety programs and sponsor community events, such as an annual neighborhood block party.

Work with CCP / SAFE and the Fifth Police Precinct to:

- Identify and address neighborhood safety issues
- Promote and support the Block Club program
- Organize business district Block Clubs
- Capitalize on the resources of the Fulton Police Substation
- Develop, publicize, and implement safety programs, like "Coffee with the Cops" and "Kickin' It with Cops"
- Improve traffic law enforcement and compliance in the neighborhood
- Maintain public order in the neighborhood
- Monitor crime reports and police activity in the neighborhood through the CODEFOR system (Computerized Optimized Deployment Focused on Results)
- Produce and promote the use of safety resources
- Publish--crime prevention-and-safety information in Fulton-Neighborhood News
- Establish partnerships with business groups, religious and educational institutions, public agencies, and other organizations inside and outside the neighborhood to address common safety concerns.

The results of the Fulton surveys and planning forums demonstrate a strong commitment, on the part of both residents and businesses, to keeping our neighborhood safe. A volunteer Safety Committee is the way to implement the many strategies that have emerged to address this issue. This proposal incorporates a wide range of long-term initiatives designed to build and sustain partnerships throughout the community. Funding is requested to cover operating expenses related to the Safety Committee's mission and to support the Safety Committee's volunteer projects and partnerships with other organizations over time. Funding will allow the Safety Committee, with the approval of the FNA board, to take advantage of future opportunities to work with neighbors, police, and community organizations to keep our neighborhood safe.