

**February 26, 2009**

**Second Chinatown Business & Residents Committee**

Attended: Councilman Rod Tam, Council Exec. Assistant, Al Canopin Jr., Henry Lee, USC, Chu Lan Shubert-Kwock, Community Activist, David Chang, Little Village Noodle House, Gordon Au, Thomas Sum, ACVLC.

- Set next date of meeting, March 6, 2009 8:30 a.m.
- March 21, 2009 Rally & Demonstration, Press Conference
- March from River Street to N. King and end at Kekaulike Mall for Press Conference.
- Incorporate Chinatown Business and Resident Committee - follow up by Councilman Rod Tam's office
- CBRC to be housed at UCS and have a part time employee to handle problems from members
- Members are from business, property owners, residents and concerned individuals
- Theme for Chinatown Business & Residents Committee "Protecting our Chinatown Community" - our multicultural heritage, foods, culture and arts for Chinese, Asians, S.E. Asians & Pacific Islanders.

**Issues at hand:**

- Homelessness
- Crime
- Parking

**Possible Solutions:**

- Positive attitude, results oriented & aggressive law enforcement by Police to combat crimes and hostile homeless
- Participation from Mayor's office, City Prosecutor, US Attorney, Chinatown Police Sub station, Police Chief, State Dept. for Homeless, City Transportation Dept., Chinatown Neighborhood Board, Neighborhood Watch, business owners, property owners, residents and community organizations
- Chinatown boundary to include the following:
  - Vineyard to Liliha, Pali Hwy/Bishop to Nimitz, River Street including Kukui Gardens, Kukui Plaza, Maunakea Towers.
- Parking issues - City Dept. of Transportation to address outdated loading and parking zones, repaint old bus routes to include needed parking. Gordon Au & Chu Lan to work with City Transportation.
- Recent solutions by Police to remove trellis and parking meters do not appear to solve crimes. Criminals just move to another location
- Increased muggings, burglaries and drug dealings in Chinatown in recent months - community fears and helplessness
- No liaison from Mayor's office to deal with complaints regarding Chinatown situation.
- Recent trash problems in Kekaulike Mall was another situation
- Chinatown is a tourist destination and attraction, need public toilets to help relieve pressures from businesses. City needs to build toilets manned by private business for pay for use to combat illegal uses and abuse.
- Need video cameras to be monitored by police or trained security persons to combat crimes.
- Need Police to have community officers to educate and visit businesses and community to educate and engage more visibility in their crime fighting - to remove trouble makers and law breakers, to carry out the law.

- Need to bring Chinatown back to people who can again enjoy a safe shopping, working and living experience in Chinatown day to day.

Councilman Rod Tam's office to invite the Mayor, City Prosecutor, Police Chief, Major Saito, US Attorney, Neighborhood Board, Neighborhood Watch to meeting on March 6, 2009. Councilman's office to communicate with inviting main stream media.

Henry Lee, Danny Young, Chu Lan, David Chang and Thomas Sum to invite business owners, property owners, residents and concerned individuals to meeting and demonstration. Henry & Chu Lan to invite Chinese Media, radio and T.V. and coordinate Publicity. Thomas Sum to coordinate SE Asian media and publicity.

A Banner "Protecting Our Chinatown Community" will be ordered by Henry Lee for the Demonstration and March on 3-21-09

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