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## Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, February 17, 2016  
Tamara Martin, Chair  
Vice-Chair

### MINUTES

**Committee Members in Attendance:** Tamara Martin, Keith Taylor, John Lynch, Christina Curry, Donna Gill

**Excused:** Lupe Moreno, Victoria Horsford

Chair Tamara Martin called the meeting to order at 6:44 PM. Introductions were made.

### Presentation Item:

#### Inspector Lola Obe, Commanding Officer of the 28<sup>th</sup> Precinct

The Inspector gave thanks to the Community Board for its constant collaboration with the precinct to solve community issues; specifically for the work around the Juice Bar.

Inspector Ober shared the CompStat report covering the period 2/8/16 – 2/14/16 for the 28<sup>th</sup> precinct. The Inspector is concerned regarding the uptick in violence. Last year there were 19 shooting incidents opposed to 7 in 2014. The Inspector shared WANTED flyers for non-fatal shootings. The two most deadly corridors are: 1) 110<sup>th</sup> – 115<sup>th</sup> Streets & 5<sup>th</sup> – Lenox Avenues 2) 111<sup>th</sup> – 118<sup>th</sup> Streets & Saint Nicholas – 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. There has been a spike in grand larceny due to unattended property being stolen from restaurants. The Inspector stated she would share a WANTED poster regarding a slashing in the train station with the chair.

BM Christina Curry spoke on the frequency of fights around Popeye's on 125<sup>th</sup> street. Members of the Ali Forney group and possible Harlem United have been involved in the fighting. The Inspector spoke on the sensitivity of dealing with the homeless LGBTQ community. Keith Joseph from Harlem United stated that he is willing to be cooperative and good neighbors to address community issues/concerns.

BM Christina Curry spoke of a concern regarding bumping and attempting to pick pocket those who are visually impaired along 125<sup>th</sup> between Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard and St. Nicholas Avenue. The Inspector recommended a crime prevention seminar which would incorporate tips on how not be a victim.

J. Keith Joseph, MD - Chief Medical Officer, Harlem United – K2 Drug

Dr. Joseph opened up with asking the committee their perception of K2

Dr. Keith Taylor mentioned it reminded him of the angel dust era

BM Christina Curry mentioned it reminded her of the heroine era

Synthetic marijuana attach to the brain receptors 100x stronger than marijuana and more and more can attach which is why people have seizures and other effects vs weed that it does not have strong attachment to the brain receptors. Patients know it is dangerous. Trying to medicate themselves. So instead of marijuana for \$5 a joint it cost them \$1 a joint. K2 is a cheaper, accessible option.

BM Christina Curry mentioned that it seems to be that the older population is using K2

Is there an increase in STDs due to K2. Dr. Joseph said stats are not clear.

Chair Martin spoke on the Manhattan DA's Parole Forum. Chair Martin spoke on a peace rally hosted by Iesha Sekou

District Manager Andrew Lassalle shared information received at the District Service Cabinet meeting earlier in the day. 32<sup>nd</sup> Precinct had approximately 3500 incidents in 1994 vs 1008 incidents in 2014. 28<sup>th</sup> Precinct Domestic Violence up from 13 to 26 incidents. Ma

**Announcements:**

- Description of Announcement

Next Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 6:30 PM

*Minutes Prepared by: Tamara Martin*