

## Lakeview Crime Prevention District Meeting

February 26, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.

St. Dominic Rectory, 775 Harrison Avenue, NOLA 70124

### **Opening**

The meeting started at approximately 6:00 p.m. Board members present were Graham Ryan, Nancy Lytle, Ann Leblanc, Val Cupit, Kevin Avin, Andrew Koehler, Ryan Martini, and Chris Beacher. Sudi Joint, Sgt. Benjamin and Richard Bordelon were also present.

**Motion to approve minutes:** Val moved, Kevin seconded and all were in favor.

### **Financial Report:**

Based on the final 2025 balance sheet, accounts payable for 2025 was 773K with 621K being attributed to disputed millage. AP without the disputed millage is \$162,618. We now would have negative equity if we had to pay the disputed millage. Total equity without the disputed millage is \$606,018.73.

Net income on the P&L is negative \$127,838. Removing the 120K disputed millage, we would show a 7K loss. Sudi then went over each category of expenses. Regarding patrols, we spent 32K less in 2025 compared to 2024. Without the disputed millage we spent close to 994K on patrols in 2025.

She then went over budget versus actual. We amended budget in November and we were within 5% expense and income variation.

The city is still not separating invoices to parse out millage.

February balance sheet shows AP is \$667,931. Without the disputed millage it is \$46,571. Disputed Millage as of February 7 for 2026 is \$10,204.31.

The P&L for February shows we have not received much income yet but we will get more in March. Patrols are down 22K. She went over additional categories. In response to a question, she stated average rate for officers is \$55.75 an hour.

Regarding P&L vs. actual, we have two audits this year which includes the agreed upon procedures audit (done every two years). Financial audit is done every year. There is a deadline to get audit to legislative audits by end of June.

### **Crime report**

There have been 13 investigations this month so far including 2 auto burglaries, 4 auto thefts, 4 shoplifting and 3 thefts. One of the stolen vehicles was recovered undamaged. One allegedly was stolen by the owner's mechanic. Sgt. Benjamin provided further details stating that some perpetrators are stealing cars with keys inside and bringing them to the East to do other crimes.

UCR crimes have increased in same time period in 2026 compared to 2025. There were 14 crimes in 2025 and 27 in 2026. There has been a spike in shoplifting and auto theft. Two more units have been assigned to Walgreens and Dollar Tree. DIU will be talking to Walgreens' risk management. There have been no persons crimes in 2026.

A question was asked about encampments of homeless people within city park. There is a new quality of life officer who will hopefully be able to address. A question was also asked about plans to extend the Lafitte Greenway to Canal, and Sgt. Benjamin said LCPD will monitor that situation.

### **Technology report**

Chris Beacher discussed new website that would involve AI to help keep up to date. Right now it is hosted on Amazon and manual entry is very tedious. There is a one time cost of 3-4K but it will be made up in four years with reduced monthly cost. The benefits are that it will streamline the website and analytics will be built into the website. However, certain things will be behind the wall such as crime stats.

Ann moved to allow Chris Beacher as head of technology committee to move forward with updating the website as he described. Andrew seconded and all were in favor.

### **Motion to adjourn:**

Nancy moved and Val seconded. All were in favor. Meeting ended at 7:15 pm.