

Feb 20th Block Watch Meeting

Thanks to the folks who joined us for the Commercial Block Watch meeting yesterday evening and to Marguerite for hosting at beautiful John L. Scott. I wanted to highlight 10 topics:

1. Noticing more disorder in the Junction, new faces we haven't seen
2. If you decide to take a photo or shoot video, please be aware of your personal safety
3. Emailing the Junction to email out and post on SLACK remains the preferred choice of communication
4. If someone [is acting suspicious](#), jot down their characteristics including scars, tattoos, clothing, height etc. and *shoes* (people can remove or add clothing)
5. If a crime is committed but the person has left, still call 911 to report or complete an online incident report – [here's the link](#)
6. If you feel unsafe, when you call 911 tell the dispatcher you feel unsafe or the person is in crisis – this escalates the call
7. Entering a commercial building without permission is considered a gross misdemeanor
8. If someone is acting strangely, you can tell them they are no longer permitted on the premises
9. If you want to [no trespass](#) a person, a police officer has the paperwork
10. If you don't want to confront a person, you can hand them a piece of paper asking them to leave

Jennifer and I are working on a flyer you can post at your business for employees. Once we've finalized the flyer I'll send that out to everyone for you to print and post.

Our next CBW meeting is **Friday, September 16th 5 PM to 6 PM** – again at John L. Scott. We have two block watch meetings each year in February and September. Thanks for being a connected community and helping each other to keep the district safe.