

Minutes for PS meeting 6/22/17

Ring Securities- Stick up and Doorbell

- Product
 - Doorbell
 - Stick Up
 - Floodlights and Stick Up Camera combo
- Clarity
 - Zoomable and daylight is very clear
 - Night time is clear, but identifiability is determined by how much surrounding light is present
- Power
 - Plug into standard outlet
 - Battery Power
 - Doorbell Cameras can easily be run right from the power to a standard doorbell
 - Solar panels are available and cheap. They give sufficient power, even on a cloudy day. The panel is only a few square inches
- Price
 - ~400 dollars for standard camera package
 - CAG members have been promised a discount
 - 200 dollar rebate on each camera purchased, offered by the DC government if you sign up with the MPD (this condition is non-binding and you do not have to share information with MPD)
- Installation
 - Chip is working on getting a small flat fee installer for Georgetown residents
 - Can self-install, it is relatively easy
 - Youtube videos are very instructional and helpful for product choice and installation guides
 - All cameras are connected through personal Wifi
- Benefits
 - Collective security
 - Sharable to neighbors and police
 - Can share content through the app, texting, or email
 - Cheap and reliable
 - Easy install and low maintenance
- How to implement in Georgetown Community
 - Encouraging block captains to buy and set it up themselves
 - Block captains can promote the Ring to their neighbors
- CAG Cameras as of now
 - How likely is license plate reading capable for effective information sharing with police?
 - Mobotix cameras- possibly get special camera lens and upgradable software available but it is expensive.

Block Captain Questions

- Won't people see the signs and the cameras and commit the crime somewhere else?
 - We want to provide collective security for Georgetown that includes deterrents to crime, but as in one area and not provide the space for the crime to be passed onto anybody else
- Are they a fixture or can the Ring cameras be reoriented by the criminal?
 - The doorbell camera can easily be placed in hard to reach areas while still being an effective deterrent to crime
 - Stick on Camera is placed high enough that someone could not simply change its orientation
- Subsidies for seniors?
 - Maybe CAG can try to partner with other organizations to help installation costs and abilities