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I will be out of the office from Sunday, November 29, 2015 through Saturday, December 26, 2015. I will not be available for notifications. If you need immediate assistance, please contact my adjutant, Sergeant Aceves, at (213) 486-1094 or my Secretary Silvia Aguirre, at (213) 486-1096 or my admin staff PO James Muniz, at (213) 486-1095.

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I'VE HAD ENOUGH!!!! WE NEED MORE COPS ON THE STREET!! NOW!!!!!!

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**Cc:** Keeley McCarthy; Jerry McCarthy; Caitlin McCarthy; Ed Baran; Alex Hertzberg; Trinity Esparza; Brad Copeland  
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**Subject:** Re: Physical Assault Issue on 8th and Hill - Update

blair,

this is [REDACTED] and i truly do appreciate you and everyone in my community that has reached out to help in this matter. however, as the victim of something so senseless and violent, i am equally disturbed for myself and everyone else out there that more isn't being done to catch this guy and take immediate and active steps for a safer environment in dtla. we are investing and living in downtown and expect a greater measure of protection and follow-up. it took the police [officers Estanol 36376, and Garcia 37866] investigative report #15121400-2519 they sent me a copy of - OR 150127566 over 2 hours to respond, they knew i was in the hospital so it wasn't some simple assault and i did tell them over the phone about the incident and that there was extensive damage]

i can understand how it may be weird for the victim to see the footage, but i am the best person to view it since i am the one who saw the assailant. i was not on my phone or even distracted in anyway. i was able to look directly at him. we have an incredible opportunity to actually pinpoint the exact time, day, and obtain information that may lead to his capture, and i feel there is really nothing being done to allow us to do that. so, he goes forward as a nameless, faceless male free to continue to hurting and possibly killing other innocent individuals.

i don't want this brushed aside. i want to feel safe to walk the streets in broad daylight. i want to continue to promote dtla as a place to come live and enjoy. we need action and the time is now. the resources may be limited but you have me willing to help and i don't get to. the resources may be limited but we waste incredible amounts of money on the most bizarre stupid stuff instead of figuring out how to hire qualified individuals to protect our citizens here. the more time that passes, the more we lose momentum. this isn't just about punishing someone who did something to me. this is about creating a protective environment for countless individuals and families that are willing to bet on the future of downtown, and have done so with a financial obligation and commitment to living and working here. all of you have an obligation to do something.

please, what is the next step that we can take immediately to do something beneficial? who else may we contact? what else can we do? to not only catch the guy but to make dtla safer?

as my daughter mentioned, i am leaving the country for 11 days now, so when they finally follow up with me next week, it is highly likely that i may not be able to talk to them. but please send any emails, video, photos and i will do what i can.

thank you [REDACTED]

On Fri, Dec 18, 2015 at 8:59 PM, Blair Besten <blair@historiccore.bid<mailto:blair@historiccore.bid>> wrote:  
Hi there,

So this was misclassified as a simple assault. It doesn't get assigned a detective, and it is pooled into the larger, generic stats category. After speaking with them and forwarding the photos, this would be classified as an aggravated assault and they should be assigning a detective and contacting you soon. The victim is not usually the one to review footage for a number of reasons- but they will look for multiple cameras in the vicinity around the time of the assault. Maybe the detective will show some in an effort to narrow it down?

This is a lesson to all of us to do the very best we can to be advocates for ourselves-you were smart to reach out to the community for help. We have so much crime happening now that it's overwhelming.

Please let me know if you hear anything by the beginning of next week. I know the process is much slower than all of us would like-but the reality is that there are many crimes taking place and we have slim resources. (About 25% of the

police force we actually need, in my opinion.)

So sorry this happened and I hope she recovers quickly and they catch this person.

Blair Besten

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 18, 2015, at 9:54 AM, [REDACTED] mail.com<mailto:[REDACTED]@gmail.com>> wrote:

Hey Blair,

I'm so sorry, you're right, I was missing a number in there! I'm not sure if you got Trinity's email but the correct number is 150127566. Also, I know this is probably a lot to ask but if there's any chance she might be able to look at footage today, that would be so helpful as we're leaving for [REDACTED] for 10 days tomorrow and she's already mentioned that she's starting to forget what the guy looked like. Once again, thank you so much for all your help with this!

[REDACTED]  
On Dec 17, 2015, at 10:01 PM, Blair Besten <blair@historiccore.bid<mailto:blair@historiccore.bid>> wrote:

So apparently there are several numbers are missing from the report number listed below. Is it possible that you could have overlooked it? Received a call not five minutes ago requesting the full number from. Lieutenant.

Sorry about that. They are getting on it but need to find the report. I'm heading to bed but can pick this up tomorrow.

Blair

Blair Besten

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 17, 2015, at 1:46 PM, [REDACTED]@gmail.com<[REDACTED]@gmail.com>> wrote:

Hi Blair,

Thank you so much for following up! The case # of the police report is: 15027566. Officers Garcia and Espinoza arrived to the building after we had already gone to the hospital and after the building manager had called Officer Linton. In speaking with different officers related to the case this morning, it appears that no one has been assigned to the case and it is in an open ended state at this point (very disappointing). That is good to know that the footage could be stored for a while but I think it would also probably be easier for her to potentially identify the person via footage before or after the incident as soon as possible as her memory will be more fresh. I've attached several photos of her face to this email and am more than happy to provide any other information we have that could be helpful. Thank you so much again for working with us on this!

Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]

On Thu, Dec 17, 2015 at 9:40 AM, Blair Besten <blair@historiccore.bid<mailto:blair@historiccore.bid>> wrote:  
Hi there. Do you have a police report number so I may follow up? There may or may not have been detectives assigned but that will help.

Video Footage is typically stored for at least 30 days so I wouldn't worry there. The scaffolding may have been an issue if it blocked the incident but they could ID the person crossing before/after the incident. Let me look into it but get me that number along with the responding officers names as soon as possible. Also, if you feel comfortable with it- a photo of her face. Sorry but we need all of the details we can get.

This also happened to a man getting off the bus at 6/Spring about a month ago. It was not a frat person. I'm not convicted it wasn't a recently released or mentally ill person yet but let's get the LAPD to do some more investigation.

Happy to help.

Regards,

Blair Besten  
Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 16, 2015, at 5:20 PM, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@gmail.com<mailto:[REDACTED]@gmail.com>> wrote:  
Hi Blair,

Ed Baran, Eastern Columbia resident and part of Angelo Home recommended I talk with you. On Monday 12/14/2015 in between 2:27 pm and 2:40 pm, my Mom, [REDACTED] resident and [REDACTED] of the Eastern Columbia building was walking under the scaffolding on Hill street from 8th street towards 9th, from Whole Foods, carrying a black rolling cart, when she was approached by a young male in his early 20's, brown hair, wearing jeans, a light colored shirt, Caucasian walking casually along the sidewalk in the other direction (from 9th st to 8th st). She turned to move out of the way because he did not seem to be moving aside when all of sudden he punched her with extreme force in the face and then just kept walking casually on. My mom immediately started screaming for someone to help her and to stop the attacker but the several nearby pedestrians did nothing. She was bleeding profusely from her nose and eye and had to stumble to Om Nom Market (in the Eastern Columbia building) to seek help and eventually get into her building. The building's manager Brandon, was extremely helpful in getting her up to her loft where my sister and I were able to get over to quickly and rush her to the hospital. She has a broken nose, several broken ocular bones, and requires surgery on her eye as pieces of the broken eye socket bones have fallen into her sinus cavities and risk healing incorrectly which could lead to a whole host of problems including double vision, her eye sinking down into her face due to lack of proper bone support, etc. Unfortunately, due to other medical complications, she is unable to have the surgery and will be affected by this incident for the rest of her life. Her entire face is black and blue, her eye is swollen shut and blood leaks out, the entire left side of her face is so swollen that it's hard for her to chew.

This senseless, vile act was unprovoked and my mom is adamant that the perpetrator appeared to be well dressed, not homeless or mentally ill nor on any drugs of any sort. He looked like a completely "normal" guy whose gait was not unstable, his eyes were not crazed and he said nothing to her before, during or after the assault. Given this, we have reason to believe this incident is part of a brutal game called the "Knockout Game" in which frats or young adults, prey on seemingly helpless people (target women, children and elderly) and try to "knock them out with one punch." This issue was in the news several years ago and recently more incidents have been cropping up again. Of

course we don't know that this attack was part of the game or if it was just a deranged, mentally unstable individual but for the sake of protecting future victims and also detaining this person for this violent crime, we are seeking to try to allow my mom to view video footage collected from the surrounding area (street cameras at the intersections of both 9th and Hill and 8th and Hill, Chase Bank, Union Loft and the Broadway Trade Center security footage on Hill if there is any, plus any other security footage in this area that might exist). The police have been very unhelpful with this matter and seem to be blowing it off. They stated that they looked at some footage (we're not sure what or even what time they looked at) and said they didn't see anything. However, we are convinced that if my mom was able to look at any footage possibly from before he approached her and then after the attack, that she might be able to identify him. We are worried that if we wait too long, this footage could be deleted and we will have missed any opportunity to catch this seriously dangerous individual.

Ed mentioned that you might be able to help and we are so hopeful that you possibly can??? We are desperate.

Thank you for your consideration. We are all very worried about our safety downtown especially in this area and would love to see some sort of action and resolution for this hateful vicious crime.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(my dad)

[REDACTED]

(my mom)

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Dear Deputy Chief Perez;

Please accept the attached letter as a Supplemental Incident Report for an attack that occurred in the Downtown Center Business Improvement District on the morning of July 17, 2015 at Broadway and 4th Street - one which led to the arrest of a homeless person by the Los Angeles Police Department. Since the media continue to erroneously report the incident without research, please see the attached Statement for a factual account of what transpired.

Should you have any questions or need additional clarification on the events outlined, please don't hesitate to reach out to my office at 213-416-7534.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

Carol

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