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From this angle, we see the bank has an LCD SIGN facing the plaza. The SCROLLING MESSAGE says things like: LOW MORTGAGE RATES... NO MONEY DOWN...

Lt. Disher is in the Plaza, notebook open, looking for witnesses. He's at a COFFEE CART, talking to a COFFEE VENDOR.

LT. DISHER

So you didn't see anything...?

COFFEE VENDOR

I told you. I didn't even get here until ten thirty.

Lt. Disher sighs. He scans the Plaza, looking for other potential witnesses.

He notices: a street performer- a LIVING STATUE- painted all in silver. He's "frozen" in place, waiting for tips.

Lt. Disher approaches the Living Statue.

LT. DISHER

Excuse me

The Living Statue doesn't move. Not a muscle. He doesn't even blink. Disher flashes his IADGE.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

Lt. Disher. S.F.P.D.

Disher holds his badde higher, so the Frozen Man can see it.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

You have a pretty good view of that bank. We're investigating a robbery that took place earlier.

The Living Statue doesn't move.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

Sir?

The Living Statue doesn't move.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

This is official police business. It'll just take a minute.

The Living Statue doesn't move.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

If you're not too busy.

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The Living Statue doesn't move.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)
I know you can hear me. Okay. I
just saw you blink. You blinked.

The Statue doesn't move. Disher tries this: he waves his arms around and makes a tunny face. Like a baboon.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

WAAAUGGG! BOOGA!

The Living Statue doesn t move. Disher notices: a TIP BOX, at the Statue's feet.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

Oh. I get it.

Disher waves a FIVE DOLLAR BILL in the Statue's face... then drops the bill in the hat.

IT. DISHER (CONT'D)
Normally, we don't pay for

information.

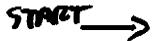
(resuming)
So, what time did you arrive at the
park?

But the Living Statue still doesn't move.

IT. DISHER (CONT'D)

(frustrated)
You know, if I winted, I could get a crane down here in 20 minutes, lift you up, and bring you downtown.

The Statue's wristwaten alarm goes off- BEEP BEEP BEEP. He "comes to life". He shakes off his stiffness... stretches his legs... grabs a water bottle from his pack.



LT. DISHER (CONT'D) Well. That's more like it.

LIVING STATUE

(annoyed)
It's my break. This is my job, man.
How would you like it if I came down
to your office and got all "Booga
booga booga" in your face? BOOGA
BOOGA!

The Living Statue collects himself.

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LIVING STATUE (CONT'D) Was I here? Yeah. I've been here all day. I'm here every morning. Even Sundays.

LT. DISHER
Did you see anything unusual? About
9 o'clock?

LIVING STATUE

(remembering)
9 o'clock? Yeah. I saw a guy.
Green sweatshirt. About five ten.
He was hanging out. Pacing around.
He looked kinda nervous. Then he
went inside.

LT. DISHER Did you see his face?

LIVING STATUE He had his hood up. Sorry.

LT. DISHER Then what happened?

LIVING STATUE
About ten minutes later, the alarm
went off. And I saw-

But then- BEEP- BEEP- the Statue's wristwatch goes off again. Break's over. He puts his water bottle away.

LT. DISHER
You saw what? Oh no. Wait. What
are you doing?

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The Statue returns to his "frozen" pose He doesn't blink.

LT. DISHER (CONT'D)

Aw no. Don't do that. We're not done here. What did you see? Hello Aw jee2

(imitating the wristwatch)

"Beep beep beep". That's your watch "Beep beep beep".

But it doesn't work. The Statue Man doesn't move.