



**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2019
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA**

CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Commission was called to order by Chair Jeremy Ding on Monday, November 04, 2019, at 8:32 a.m., in the Amedee O. "Dick" Richards, Jr., Council Chamber, located at 1424 Mission Street, South Pasadena, California.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners: Amin Alsarraf, Ellen Daigle, Robin Hamilton, Alan Ehrlich, Vice-Chair Grace Liu Kung; Chair Jeremy Ding.

Absent: Commissioners: Stephanie Cao.

Officials

Present: Mayor/City Council Liaison Marina Khubesrian, M.D., Police Chief/Staff Liaison Joe Ortiz, Fire Chief/Staff Liaison Paul Riddle.
Police Deputy Chief/Staff Liaison Brian Solinsky, Aide/Recording Secretary Kim Kha and Police Records Clerk Laura Mendez.

Absent: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Werner Otto Hintzen, South Pasadena resident expresses concern over an inward opening read door exit at Momma's Brick Oven Pizza and Pasta.

Sheila Rossi, South Pasadena resident, had questioned about an inspection warrant at Hanscom Drive and expressed concerns to why police officers responded to the inspection warrant.

ACTION/DISCUSSION

- 1. Minutes of the Public Safety Commission Meeting of August 12, 2019 and September 9, 2019**

MINUTES FOR AUGUST 12, 2019 MOTION BY CHAIR DING, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER HAMILTON, CARRIED 6-0, MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2019 MOTION BY CHAIR DING, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER EHRLICH, CARRIED 5-0, COMMISSIONER DAIGLE AND HAMILTON ABSTAIN FROM SEPTEMBER MINUTES, to continue review of the October 21, 2019 Public Safety Commission Regular Meeting Minutes to next meeting, noting revisions to public comments and suggestions because of lack of quorum for unofficial comments.

2. Discussion of Past Agenda Items/Accomplishments of Public Safety Commission-Commissioner Ellen Daigle

“Fiscal Year Annual Report of Public Safety Commission” from 2013 through 2018 highlighting past accomplishments were provided. Discussion was moved to the next meeting with follow up on retention period and accessibility to reports on the City’s website.

Commissioner Daigle discussed what has happened to the Commission over the years, and requesting more input from the commission. Commissioner Daigle express satisfaction with recruited of neighborhood watch members; Upgrade of the EOC; CERT programs trained 400 members; Oversight for school safety; Oversight issues on massage parlors and Organization of four different booths for Public Safety, CERT, Radio Operators, and Block Captains.

3. Discussion of Future Agendas, Annual Reports and Work Plans for 2020-Chief Ortiz.

Police Chief Ortiz discussed the standardizing of agendas for all commissions, posting minutes and annual report are in the works of being added to Public Safety Commission website.

Police Department 2018 annual report inquiry, Police and Fire 2018 Open House after action report requested by Chair Ding.

Chief Ortiz discussed the completion of upcoming work plans and their due date of January 2020.

Chair Ding requested that non urgent work plan issues be emailed to him, Chair Ding will consolidate according to relevancy of subject and month for future discussion.

Fire Chief Riddle requested Chair Ding to direct Commissioners to come up with topics of discussion and direct to him. He will plan a meeting with both staff liaison, chair and vice chair during this month before the next meeting to give a draft and adopt or make changes for next year.

4. Discussion of laws/ordinances pertaining to the Homeless-Deputy Chief Brian Solinsky

Presentation on homeless outreach programs offered by the police department

Deputy Chief Brian Solinsky stated that every January a homeless count is done in South Pasadena and information is provided to Los Angeles County; 90% of the homeless are male and 10% are female; 10% of calls are to provide services to homeless individuals; list of programs discussed. Deputy Chief Solinsky provided a slide presentation that supported this data.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. City Counsel Liaison Communications

Mayor/City Counsel Liaison Marina Khubesrian, M.D., commented on the following

- Regional coordination resources are important, and that sharing resources and cooperating with small cities like ours is very important.

- Would like the Public Safety Commission to study and look into the policy for the scooters issue, due to South Pasadena becoming more developed.

- Would like to address the issue of audio recordings of meetings, concerns are understood but community members are appreciative of major meeting recordings and transparency.

- Gave a thank you to Commissioner Daigle for giving us the background on the accomplishments of the Public Safety Commission throughout the years.

- Stated possible replacement of a faded skateboard sign at the senior center; neighbors concern about speeding vehicles at intersection.

2. Staff Liaison Communications

Police Chief Ortiz communicated “No Shave November” in support of cancer awareness and are fundraising for cancer research; Adding to Deputy Chief Solinsky homeless presentation, we are constantly providing resources and choices for months to individuals before help is accepted.

Fire Police Chief Riddle gave an update on participation on four recent wild fires, because of the California Mass Mutual Aid Agreement. As of now all of our resources are back in the city. Overtime cost for personnel who participates plus administrative fees are paid by the State of California. We were successful on local efforts with using goats to clear vegetation on Hanscom Dr, we used 150 goats over 30 days and 10 plus acres were cleared. Chief Riddle closed with advising that SPFD EMS paramedics received the gold standard award from Los Angeles County Health Services for the second year.

3. Commissioner Communications


Chair Ding discussed the possibility of a December 9th meeting.

Multiple commissioners requested the attendance of the City Attorney Teresa L. Highsmith to be present for the December meeting and asked for clarification on the policy of public comment when meeting was cancel because of lack of quorum.

ADJOURNMENT

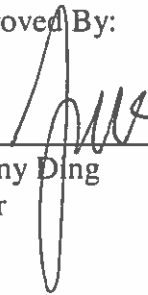
Chair Jeremy Ding adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Laura Mendez
Police Clerk

Approved By:



Jeremy Ding
Chair