



**CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA**  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

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Monday, May 10, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

**South Pasadena Public Safety Commission Statement of Civility**

As your appointed governing board we will treat each other, members of the public, and city employees with patience, civility and courtesy as a model of the same behavior we wish to reflect in South Pasadena for the conduct of all city business and community participation. The decisions made today will be for the benefit of the South Pasadena community and not for personal gain.

**PUBLIC ADVISORY: THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS WILL NOT BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, the Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Commission for May 10, 2021 will be conducted remotely and held by Zoom Webinar video conference, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Please be advised that pursuant to the Executive Order, and to ensure the health and safety of the public by limiting human contact that could spread the COVID-19 virus, the Council Chambers will not be open for the meeting. Commissioners will be participating remotely and will not be physically present in the Council Chambers.

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**Public Safety Commission  
Zoom Webinar Information  
Meeting ID: 935 4846 0079**

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Public Comments must be received by **6 p.m., May 9, 2021** to ensure adequate time to compile. Public Comment portion of the email is limited to 250 words. Please make sure to indicate: 1) your name; 2) what agenda item you are submitting public comment on or if it is a general public comment; and 3) clearly state if you wish for your comment to be read.

**CALL TO ORDER** Chair Amin Alsarraf

**ROLL CALL** Commission members Grace Liu Kung, Jeremy Ding, Ed Donnelly, Lisa Watson, Lindsey Angelats; Vice-Chair Stephanie Cao; and Chair Amin Alsarraf

**COUNCIL LIAISON:** Jon Primuth

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS**

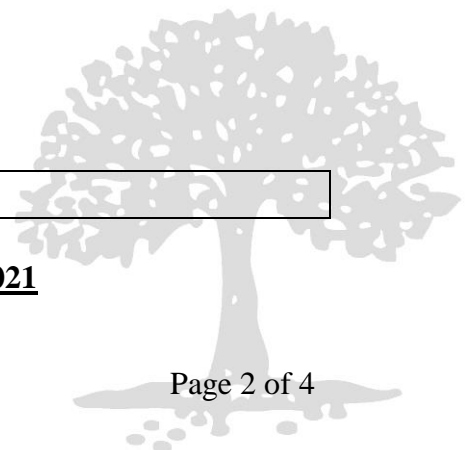
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Pursuant to state law, the Public Safety Commission may not discuss or take action on issues not on the meeting agenda, except that members of the Public Safety Commission or staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising public testimony rights (Government Code Section 54954.2). Staff may be asked to follow up on such items.

**1. Public Comment – General**

**ACTION/DISCUSSION**

**2. Minutes of the Public Safety Commission Meeting of March 8, 2021**



Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission review and approve the February 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

**3. Crime Statistics**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission discuss Crime Statistics.

**4. Update on Shooting of South Pasadena Resident and AAPI Hate Crimes**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission discuss Update on Shooting of South Pasadena Resident and AAPI Hate Crimes.

**5. Administrative Matter In-Person Meetings**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission discuss Administrative Matter In-Person Meetings.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**6. City Council Liaison Communications**

**7. Staff Liaison Communications**

**8. Commissioner Communications**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**PUBLIC ACCESS TO AGENDA DOCUMENTS**

The complete agenda packet may be viewed on the City's website at:

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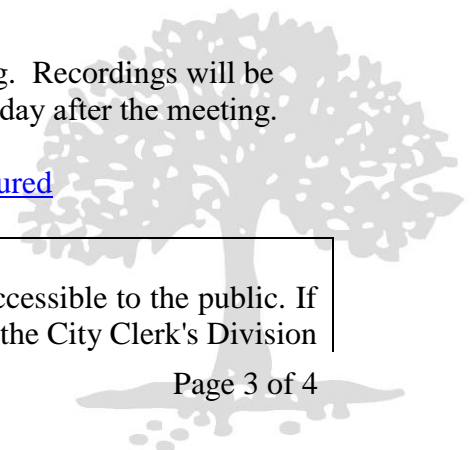
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5/6/2021  
Date

/s/  
Brian Solinsky, Interim Police Chief





**MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021  
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 Alsarraff on Monday, March 8, 2021, 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: Ed Donnelly, Grace Liu Kung, Jeremy Ding, Lisa Watson, Lindsay Angelats, Chair Amin Alsarraff, and Vice-Chair Stephanie Cao.

**Absent:** None

**Officials**

**Present:** City Council Liaison Jon Primuth, Interim Police Chief/Staff Liaison Brian Solinsky, Fire Chief/Staff Liaison Paul Riddle, and Police Department Clerk/Recording Secretary Laura Mendez.

**Absent:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS**

1. None

**ACTION/DISCUSSION**

2. Minutes of the Public Safety Commission Meeting of February 8, 2021

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DING, AND SECOND BY VICE-CHAIR CAO,

CARRIED 7-0, to approve the Minutes of the February 8, 2021 Public Safety Commission Regular Meeting with one change to agenda item 6 to update the vote from 5-0 to 5-1.

**3. Community Forum for Chief of Police**

Interim Police Chief Solinsky informed Commissioners that the Community Forum will be held March 15, 2021 at 6:00pm and it is open for discussion. The meeting will be 1 hour zoom type meeting, where individuals can express their desires or thoughts on the qualities for the next Chief of Police, and what best fits South Pasadena.

Commissioner Donnelly will be hosting the event, information about the event will be up on the Police Commission website.

**4. Homeless Update**

Lt Robledo gave a presentation on Homeless and stated that the Homeless program started in 2015-2016. In 2021 South Pasadena did not participate in a point of time count for the city The Los Angeles Homeless Authority, they estimate that 15-20 people in the City of South Pasadena are experiencing homelessness.

The greater portion of unhoused are male making up 90% and 10% are female. South Pasadena has multiple available resources for homeless that are at no cost to the City. Our Homeless Outreach Program Team (HOPE) goes out to assist homeless weekly our Mental Health Team goes out 3 times a month and the Pasadena Union Station Navigator goes out weekly.

<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>
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**1. City Counsel Liaison Communications**

City Council Liaison Primuth stated that for the last City Council Meeting the Council upheld/approved the Planning Commission mixed use development on El Centro called the 7 Patio's.

We have a few big items on the March 17<sup>th</sup> agenda but I will talk to you next month. The City Manager hiring window has closed and we have a few candidates, we will go into close session interviews with the candidates in late March or April.

April has been our target for hiring a New City Manager but it depends on the rounds of interviews the City Council needs to do.

**2. Staff Liaison Communications**

**Fire Chief Riddle** stated that he reported last month they had started to see the reduction of Covid numbers and this month he continues to see the numbers dropping. The Fire Department is back to normal response levels and the hospital bed availability has reached a point that our rescue ambulance is not being delayed at the hospital any longer in terms of transportation of patients.

The Fire Department remains fully staff the 3 new fire fighters paramedics just completed the 12 month probation period and we have to additional that will be completing the 12 month training, they are at the half way point.

I reported last year that the department was awarded a scholarship through State Farm insurance for an arson dog, due to Covid we were unable to obtain the dog last year, next month in April one of our fire fighter paramedics who worked as our arson investigator will be traveling to Maine to train for one month with the dog and then come back and we will have an arson dog in the City. It will be the first time we will have an arson dog and it will be the first one in the region and it will be very helpful to our neighboring cities as well. All the expenses and traveling expenses are paid the training the long life care of the K9 will also be covered by State Farm.

**Interim Police Chief** stated that the police department will be sitting on the COG steering Committee for crisis intervention teams. The COG Committee is sending out mental health professionals along with medical professionals to triage a mental health call prior to law enforcement for nonviolent calls.

The success of our homeless program has reached the City of Chino, and they are asking to share our model with them, that's what we will be doing next month.

I also wanted to indicate that last year, I had informed that we were going to have a 3<sup>rd</sup> motor officer, with covid it has been rather challenging trying to find that third position. However, we have one of our officers that is interested and she will be joining the traffic unit within the following months, so we will have three officers out.

Lastly, I was at a law enforcement meeting working group, and Los Angeles Metro announced that they were going to initiate an 18 month pilot program beginning in August 2022. Metro will offer free rides to K-12 students and those who qualify as low income residents that will include the bus and train service.

### **3. Commissioner Communications**

**Commissioner Liu Kung** gave an update on schools and stated, since the last school update they have opened for in person hybrid learning, the first day of school was last Thursday, February 18, for our youngest K, 1 and 2 grade.

This Thursday, March 11, third graders will be returning to hybrid school. Monday March 15<sup>th</sup>, will be the first day for fourth and fifth graders. They also have tentative dates for middle school six to eight for Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup>, and then a week later Thursday April 15<sup>th</sup>, will be high school from ninth to twelve grade.

Last Friday, and Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> the employees of the school district have all been vaccinated, and they will have their second dose in three weeks.

**Commissioner Donnelly** brief update on the sub-committee for unarmed traffic enforcement, Lisa and I have been working diligently on collection as much information as possible about existing programs, proposals, concepts we looked at some academic papers. Chief Solinsky and LT Jacobs have been generous on sharing information that they have gathered. We have reached out to agencies and cities that are proposing these sort of programs to learn as much as we can. At this point, we have meeting to schedule with CARE FIRST for this Friday, and other community members so hopefully in the next month or two we can make some recommendation, and we can bring them to the commission.

**Commissioner Watson** stated she had no addition to what Commissioner Donnelly said and would like to welcome Commissioner Lindsay.

**Chair Alsarraf** stated he had a presentation on Thursday, and on behalf of the Commission to City Council and that went well. We have a few follow ups that we have to address today. Thank you all for your comments, and thank you Chief for putting together the presentation. The last comment I have is that I will not be attending the next meeting.

<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>
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Chair Alsarraf adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved By:

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Laura Mendez /  
Recording Secretary

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Amin Alsarraf /  
Chair





Richard Lee

Detective/Crime Analyst/Crime Prevention Officer

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Brian Solinsky, Chief of Police



# UCR – PART ONE CRIME STATS

	Robbery			Burglary (commercial & residential)			Larceny			Motor Vehicle Theft			Homicide			Rape			Aggravated Assaults			Arson		
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June	3	0	-100%	6	0	-100%	44	0	-100%	5	0	-100%	0	0	NOT CALC	0	0	NOT CALC	7	0	-100%	0	0	NOT CALC
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September	1	0	-100%	9	0	-100%	42	0	-100%	10	0	-100%	0	0	NOT CALC	0	0	NOT CALC	5	0	-100%	0	0	NOT CALC
October	0	0	NOT CALC	4	0	-100%	38	0	-100%	5	0	-100%	0	0	NOT CALC	0	0	NOT CALC	3	0	-100%	1	0	-100%
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<b>TOTALS</b>	17	4	-76%	109	32	-71%	429	152	-65%	92	25	-73%	1	0	-100%	4	1	-75%	66	19	-71%	4	1	-75%
Yearly Average	1.4	0.3	-76%	9.1	2.7	-71%	35.8	12.7	-65%	7.7	2.1	-73%	0.1	0	-100%	0.3	0.1	-75%	5.5	1.6	-71%	0.3	0.1	-75%
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# Recent Crime Trends

## Catalytic Converter







# Catalytic Converter



Platinum



Palladium



Rhodium



# Catalytic Converter

## Safety Tips

- Park in well-lit areas
- Cautious of people working around cars at night
- Double-Parked vehicles







# Catalytic Converter

## Safety Tips



Etch License Plate on  
Catalytic Converter



Cat Clamp



Cat Security



# Fraud

## Various types of Fraud/Scams

