MINUTES

CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS REGULAR MEETING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION DECEMBER 19, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Hawaiian Gardens Public Safety Commission was called order on Wednesday, December 19, 2018, commencing at 6:00pm, at the Public Safety Center, 11940 Carson St. Hawaiian Gardens, California 90716.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Rico.

ROLL CALL	CHAIRMEMBER	MARIO RICO	PRESENT
	VICE CHAIRMEMBER	PEDRO AMARO	PRESENT
	COMMISSIONER	LIZET MENDOZA	PRESENT
	COMMISSIONER	BERTHA MERAZ	PRESENT
	COMMISSIONER	BARBARA LAUGHLIN	PRESENT

For the record, also in attendance, Recording Secretary, Claudia Raya, Commission Liaison, Linda Suniga, Administrative Services Manager, Patrick Matson, Public Safety Officer, Jose Loera, Public Works Administrative Technician, Ramie Torres and with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Deputy Martinez and Deputy Portillo.

PRESENTATIONS

Linda Suniga presented two employees, Estefania Garibay and Michelle Meza from the YEP program. In addition, Staff also presented our City's newly assigned SAO Deputy Portillo.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Joe Cabrera Zermeño announced the recall of one of our current council members. Also, Mr. Zermeño questioned what the City was doing with Emergency Management. With the granted authorization of the Chairmember, Staff responded that planning for Emergency Management is handled by the Administration Department under direction of the City Manager.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. PRESENTATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2018.

COMMISSION ACTION: Approve as Presented

2. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MONTHLY CRIMES REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2018.

COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File

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3. LOS ANGELES COUNTY ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL MONTHLY REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2018.

COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File

Vice Chair Amaro motioned to approve the consent calendar to its entirety. Commissioner Mendoza seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

ORAL STAFF REPORTS

Administrative Technician, Ramie Torres, updated the Commission that bulky item pickups have been changed from Saturday to Thursdays. As far as the leaning pole on Norwalk, across from Planet Fitness, the City has received a bit of a pushback from the utility company that owns it. The City will be taking further steps to get the issue addressed.

Recently, Edison has sent an attachment and a post card from Clean Power Alliance (CPA). Unincorporated Los Angeles County, about 20 cities in Los Angeles County and parts of Ventura have combined and are providing clean energy. Residents will be automatically enrolled. Its clean power which means, 50% of the energy will be clean energy.

The pricing will be different. More information is provided on their website: cleanpoweralliance.org.

Vice Chair Amaro recommended creating a town hall meeting to inform the residents about CPA. Staff will present the recommendation to the Mayor.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETINGS

Staff informed the Commission that we will not be having a Neighborhood Safety Meeting for the month of January and will be resuming in February.

5. BUSINESS OUTREACH

Public Safety will be coordinating a business outreach meeting. In the meantime, Staff will be sending the Letter of Agency to the businesses because this is a good tool that we use.

6. HOMELESS ENCAMPMENT PROTOCOL

The Sheriff's Department HOST (Homeless Outreach Services Team) Team coordinated with LAHSA, Department of Mental Health, Public Safety Officers for the encampment protocol. The HOST Team coordinated the training, designated teams and assigned

teams to local known encampments in the City. Unfortunately, the day of the outreach, it rained and it affected the operation. The HOST Team will reschedule.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Laughlin had nothing to report

Commissioner Mendoza wanted an update on the resolution that was worked on by the attorney with recommendations from the Public Safety Commission and has it been presented to Council? Staff responded that the resolution has not been presented to Council. The attorney has been instructed to also included recommendations from Community Development. In addition, the City has changed City Attorney's, therefore, Staff will have to see how it would affect work in progress.

Commissioner Mendoza received her refund from Republic Services, however, she believes she is probably one of few. It took several calls and months later, the refund was issued. Commissioner Mendoza would like to know how can we inform the residents about possibly getting their refunds. Public Works Staff in attendance will contact our previous liaison and inquire about the number of residents that were issued their refunds and then report back.

Vice Chair Amaro on Pioneer and Carson - approaching Pioneer and making a left. That light turns too fast. Can the City look into it and possibly adjust the time. A sidewalk on Brittain on the south end, where the empty lot is at. The sidewalk is lifted and it's a safety issue for pedestrians.

Tilbury Street crosswalk pedestrians are still having trouble crossing the street day and night. Also, there is a school bus that drops off and picks up kids before Tilbury, however, cars ignore his stop sign and continue to drive around it. Is there any way we can get Deputies to patrol or issue citations on that street. Lastly, Vice Chair Amaro discussed a video that was seen on Youtube. Vice Chair recommends employee training regarding the First Amendment Audit Video.

Staff will forward the concerns to City Engineer and Public Works. Human Resources will also be setting a training for staff.

Commissioner Meraz welcomed Deputy Portillo.

Chair Rico suggested doing a speed survey on Norwalk before Tilbury. Tilbury is really not a safe street. Also, a resident has complaint that the school kids are walking through the channel afterschool. Staff responded that the Channel on the Lakewood side has been left open because Lakewood and Hawaiian Gardens residents do use that side to travel. However, it is an issue and can be worked on again.

ADJOURNMENT to the next Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:

Claudia Raya

Recording Secretary

Approved:

Mario Rico Chairmember

Attest:

Claudia Raya