# MINUTES CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS REGULAR MEETING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION JANUARY 18, 2017

## CALL TO ORDER

The a regular meeting of the Hawaiian Gardens Public Safety Commission is hereby called to be held on Wednesday, January 18, 2017, commencing at 6:00pm, at City Hall, in the City Council Chambers, 21815 Ploneer Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens, California, 90716

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chairmember Valerie Mason

PRESENT:

CHAIRMEMBER

VALERIE MASON

COMMISSIONER

PEDRO AMARO MARIO RICO

ABSENT:

VICE CHAIRMEMBER

LIZET MENDOZA

COMMISSIONER

BERTHA MERAZ

Commissioner Pedro Amaro made a motion to excuse Vice Chairmember Mendoza and Commissioner Meraz. Commissioner Rico 2nd. Motion passed.

# ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - ITEMS ON AND OFF THE AGENDA

This is the time reserved for members of the audience wishing to speak on items on and off the Agenda and within the legislative body's jurisdiction. This period will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, maximum time allocated is fifteen (15) minutes.

None at the time

## A. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

None at the time

## B. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL MONTHLY REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2016

# COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File.

 PRESENTATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2016.

## COMMISSION ACTION: Approve as Presented

3 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CITY MONTHLY REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2016

# COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File.

Commissioner Amaro made a motion to receive and file the consent calendar its entirety. Chairmember Mason 2nd. Motion passed.

#### C. STAFF REPORTS

None at this time.

#### D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1 UPDATE AND RESPONSE:
  - Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project Completion

Ms. Suniga relayed a message from the city engineer. The pedestrian safety improvements project has been completed. The project on 215th, Norwalk, and Tilbury have implemented the same measures implemented on 216th. They all have the audio and the visual signs.

Recap of Community Meeting held January 11, 2017

Turnout was large with a great amount of community discussion. Essentially, items discussed were going to be safety issues around Lee Ware Park, however, getting closer to the meeting one item became, the handball court, became a central point of the meeting. Some wanted the handball court removed due to visibility and lighting during evening hours, and others requested to keep the court and suggested adding extra lighting and patrolling. Another suggestion was reconfiguring the handball court and reinforcing the park rules already established

## 2. UPCOMING EVENTS

Los Angeles County "Homeless Count" January 24<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00pm

MS. Suniga explained the importance of project. The project provides statistics that can be shared. This is a physical survey and it identifies the need for assistance. This can also assist with the proper allocation funds depending on the numbers. The count is made without engaging with the individuals. The team is composed of staff, law enforcement and volunteers.

- Public Safety Commission Reorganization February's Meeting
- Neighborhood Safety Meeting, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:00pm @ New Hope Community Church (Across from Melbourne Elementary)
- Safe Communities Month March 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>

Two small events for kids at Lee Ware and Clarkdale Parks. These events are big hits for kids. March 8th is a recycling, conservation and dangers of pollution event. The trash recycling robot will be present as well Max the Water Dog from the water company. March 22nd is a general children's safety fair. Fire and Sheriff's will both be there and will be giving general safety tips.

#### E. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Amaro inquired about Christmas Trees being left out on the streets and not being picked up. Second Item he wants to discuss is the Traffic Deputy. Mr. Amaro would like to know what area he covers because he has been told the deputy parks on the Long Beach area. In addition, Mr. Amaro wanted to know if the city can hire someone from the county for parking control until they hire someone. Lastly, he would like to get an update on 214th and Belshire and turning that into a 3 way stop. Ms. Suniga informed that our code enforcement officer has been allocated overtime specifically to enforce parking. As far as the update request, 214th and Belshire will be forwarded to the City Engineer. The traffic deputy is only citing violations occurring in Hawaiian Gardens. Bulky Items and Illegal dumping are problems the City will increase resources toward; however, a plan is still being developed.

Commissioner Mason questioned the HUB project. Ms. Suniga informed the commission that it was discussed in closed session but there was no action taken. The city is however looking into all resources that can be provided. Also, Ms. Mason is frustrated with LASD - Lakewood and is concerned the City is not receiving the proper level of services. She wants to make sure the City receives the services contracted through the Sheriff's Department. Staff will forward this concern to the city manager.

F. ADJOURNMENT to the next Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting on February 15, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted

Claudia Ortiz

Recording Secretary

Approved:

Bertha Meraz

Chairperson

Claudia Ortiz

Recording Secretary