MINUTES CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS REGULAR MEETING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION JUNE 21, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Public Safety Commission of the City of Hawaiian Gardens was called to order by Chairmember Meraz on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, commencing at 5:00pm, at Public Safety Center, 11940 Carson St. Hawaiian Gardens, California 90716.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

CHAIRMEMBER

BERTHA MERAZ PEDRO AMARO

COMMISSIONER

VALERIE MASON

ABSENT:

VICE CHAIRMEMBER

LIZET MENDOZA

COMMISSIONER

R MARIO RICO

Recording Secretary Claudia Raya, did the roll call and announced a quorum. Also in attendance, Linda Suniga, Commission Liaison and SGT. Thomas Maese, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. Attending as a guest, Mayor Hank Trimble.

Commissioner Amaro made motion to excuse Vice Chairmember Mendoza and Commissioner Rico. Commissioner Mason 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.

A. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

ORDINANCE NO. 572, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 0.04 AND ADDING SECTION 10.01.031 TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ENGINEER TO INSTALL AND OR REMOVE CURB MARKINGS FOR DISTANCES OF 100 FEET OR LESS WHEREVER THE ENGINEER FIND SUCH ADDITION OR REMOVAL WOULD IMPROVE THE FLOW AND SAFETY OF TRAFFIC.

Staff explained that this item is meant to give the city engineer authority for adding or removing red curbs of 100ft or less. The reason is to speed up and make the process more efficient. This is not meant to take away the authority of the commission or council. The commission and council can still make recommendations to the engineer for review.

Commissioner Amaro questioned if city engineer still had to present recommendations to council before making a final decision. Staff informed that only on markings longer than 100ft. However, there is a process for reviewing and appealing any recommendations before installation. In addition, Commissioner Amaro questioned the "Red Curbs" stating no parking, standing or stopping, yet people still park. Ms. Suniga understands and explains this is a code enforcement issue. With the new budget, they are making provisions for additional staff members and specifically working out of the safety center. Increased parking enforcement will be a large part of their responsibility.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

 PRESENTATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR THE MONTHS OF MARCH, APRIL AND MAY 2017.

COMMISSION ACTION: Approve as Presented

 LOS ANGELES COUNTY ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR THROUGH MAY 2017.

COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File.

 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT ON PART 1 CRIME STATS FOR JUNE 2017.

COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File.

Commissioner Amaro pulled item B3

Commissioner Amaro made a motion to receive and file consent calendar items B1 and B2, Chairmember Mason 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Amaro comments on item B3, he likes the new format of the Sheriff's report. Ms. Suniga explained the differences between the new report and previous ones. In addition, Commissioner Amaro inquired about what unincorporated areas are, SGT Maese responded by saying unincorporated areas are cities without a government, those areas are then overseen by the Sheriff's Department. SGT. Maese then continued to explain the report in detail. Commissioner Mason motioned to receive and file item B3. Commissioner Amaro 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.

C. STAFF REPORTS

None at this time.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Youth Activities League (YAL)

Ms. Suniga gave an update on current status of the YAL. The city contributed to the program and has shared the cost with the county. The city has determined they are no longer in a position to budget the personnel cost to run the program. At this point there is no firm word on what is going to happen. However, it seems the county is looking to continue the program. The city is in favor of continuing to provide the location and a minimal budget to support the excursions and events.

2. Public Safety Center Grand Re-Opening

Staff just wanted to relay a reminder, the Public Safety Center has been reopened full-time.

3. Homeless County 2017 Official Results for SPA 7

Ms. Suniga informed commission that on Tuesday, June 27th, 2017 the representative from the County of Los Angeles will be presenting on Measure H. Also, actual SPA 7 counts by City are expected to be released at the end of July.

4 Neighborhood Safety Meetings

There will no Neighborhood Safety Meetings for the months of July and August, due to the 4th of July holiday and in August, we have National Night Out being held August 1, 2017 at Clarkdale Park.

5. Upcoming Events, 4th of July, Car Show

4th of July will be held at Fedde Sports Complex on July 1st, as well as the Car Show on July 9th.

E. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Amaro would like to discuss "corners with no red curb markings" at next month's meeting. He believes this is a safety concern and would like to set a recommendation to discuss this as a whole. Mr. Amaro attended the Memorial Event and it was nice to see the amount of people that attended. Mr. Amaro also asked about if any discussion or action has been taken in terms of 4th of July. Ms. Suniga responded that all of the concerns have been reviewed and at this time additional resources have not been allocated because additional enforcement is not expected to reduce the volume of illegal activity. Sgt. Maese explained illegal fireworks are a big problem throughout the County, and the Sheriff's Department is responding daily with reports of gunfire being the priority. Mr. Amaro asked about the bicycle patrols. Deputy Ferreira reported it is an option and takes a team of bicycle trained deputies with support.

Ms. Mason stated she believes Mr. Noorkbash should be given a chance and let the commission see his actions. Possibly giving Mr. Noorkbash a list of curbs suggesting red curb markings would be an option.

Chairmember Meraz would like to report bulky items set on the sidewalk on Belshire. Ms. Suniga informed that our community relations officer has addressed several properties and it has helped.

F. ADJOURNMENT to the next Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting on July 19, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted:

Claudia Raya

Recording Secretary

Approved:

Bertha Meraz

Chairperson

Claudia Raya Recording Secretary