MINUTES CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS REGULAR MEETING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MAY 15, 2019

The regular Meeting of the Hawaiian Gardens Public Safety Commission was called to order on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, beginning at 6:00pm, at the Public Safety Center, 11940 Carson Street, 2nd Floor, Hawaiian Gardens, California 90716.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairmember Laughlin

ROLL CALL CHAIRMEMBER BARBARA LAUGHLIN

VICE CHAIRMEMBER LIZET MENDOZA
COMMISSIONER PEDRO AMARO
COMMISSIONER MARIO RICO
COMMISSIONER BERTH MERAZ

All present. Quorum was announced.

For the record also in attendance, Recording Secretary, Claudia Raya, Commission Liaison, Linda Suniga, Public Safety Officer, Alonzo Verduzco, Public Safety Consultant, Carlos Ramos and with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Deputy Martinez.

PRESENTATIONS

Public Safety Consultant, Carlos Ramos introduced himself to the Commission.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS - None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. PRESENTATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2019.

COMMISSION ACTION: Approve as Presented

 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MONTHLY CRIMES REPORT FOR APRIL 2019.

COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File.

3. LOS ANGELES COUNTY ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2019.

COMMISSION ACTION: Receive and File.

4. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 2019.

COMMISSION ACTION: *Receive and File.*

Commissioner Amaro made a motion to receive and file consent calendar in its entirety. Vice Chairmember seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

ORAL STAFF REPORTS

5. PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE ON DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

Staff informed the Commission on the first spay and neuter clinic. The event was a success. Staff recommended to continue with this clinic as long as we continue getting this kind of turnout. There is another clinic scheduled for next month.

Also, the concern regarding the leaning pole on Norwalk Blvd., PW has secured the box. However, not much progress has been achieved. Our City Attorney is working with our historical records and trying to obtain information.

Hawaiian and Furgeson Elementary will both have their pizza party this month.

Staff is working on the YAL grant funds to support the program. We are hoping we receive good news.

Lastly, we currently have one Public Safety Vehicle completed with MDC. The second vehicle will be done sometime next week. Public Safety Consultant, Carlos Ramos explained the importance of the MDC.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. HAWAIIAN GARDENS MARIJUANA ORDINANCE

Staff reiterated the enforcement options for marijuana dispensaries. In addition, Staff is not allowed to talk about ongoing investigations/operations. Our City's Marijuana Ordinance lists the violation as a misdemeanor, allowing the City to issue a administrative citation. However, some of the citations are dismissed by the judges. This is a continuing problem and we will continue to work on it.

7. UPCOMING EVENTS

Neighborhood Safety Meeting
 Wednesday, June 5th 6:00pm - 7:30pm
 Fedde Sports Complex – Sports and Recreation Safety

This meeting will be at the Fedde Complex, closer to the soccer field. This is the attempt to target new people and different area.

- FREE Spay & Neuter Clinic
 Wednesday, June 19th @ 8:00am
 Public Safety Center Appointment Required
- Memorial Day Event
 Monday, May 27th @ 8:00am
 City Hall Parking Lot

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Meraz thanked Sheriff Deputies for all their work in the City. Also, Commissioner Meraz informed the Commission that the Senior Advisory Board will be assisting with coffee and sweets for Memorial Day Event.

Commissioner Rico wanted to know how we will be informing residents about trash bin citing. Staff responded that this is a project for Staff. Our PSO's have been issuing warning notices. Staff plans of developing a flyer that will be sent to all residents informing them of the time frame and the fines.

Commissioner Amaro attended the Prayer Breakfast and was pleased at how nice it was. In addition, would like an update on the Bulky Item Resolution. Also, would like an update on the speed limit on Norwalk Blvd. between 223rd and 226th. Lastly, Mr. Amaro addressed some concerns with the Cinco de Mayo celebration. He would have liked a notice to be sent to those resident being affected by event. Overall concern was the lack of parking and the loud music.

Vice Chairmember Mendoza is pleased to see the variety of programs, events, classes that are being offered; In addition to law enforcement and Public Safety Officers patrolling keeping our streets safe.

Chairmember Laughlin has a concern with individuals feeding stray cats and what can be done about it. Staff responded to Chair Laughlin by encouraging her to call Animal Control first. It is important to educate individuals. Also, another option is contact a non-profit organization like the Spay-4-Life. They will spay and neuter and release the animal again. Their scientific theory belief is that once released, they themselves control the population. In addition, there is an

attached boat that is left out in the street. PSO Verduzco informed the Commission about several red tags that have been issued for that same vehicle, however it is always moved. Moreover, Chair Laughlin questioned the emergency container the City has and how well equipped it is. Staff responded that usually about 80 percent of the equipment does not expire. The responsibility for local government is to maintain local government. Unfortunately, the City can't feed 14,000 people. Public Safety Consultants job is also make sure that Staff is trained and that a plan is in place.

ADJOURNMENT to the next Regular Public Safety Commission Meeting

Respectfully Submitted:

Claudia Raya

Recording Secretary

Approved:

Barbara Laughlin Chairmember

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Attest:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES MAY 15, 2019