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AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF EASTVALE
Monday, September 10, 2012
4:00 P.M.
Rosa Parks Elementary School, 13830 Whispering Hills Drive

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commission Members – David Allis, Rob Medrano
Vice-Chairperson - Art Howell
Chairperson - Roosevelt Blow

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

4. PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

At this time, the Public Safety Commission may recognize citizens and organizations that have made significant contributions to the community and it may accept awards on behalf of the City.

4.1 Department Presentations

5. PUBLIC COMMENT/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

*This is the time when any member of the public may bring a matter to the attention of the Public Safety Commission that is within the jurisdiction of the Commission. The Ralph M. Brown act limits the Commission's and staff's ability to respond to comments on non-agendized matters at the time such comments are made. Thus, your comments may be agendized for a future meeting or referred to staff. The Commission may discuss or ask questions for clarification, if desired, at this time. Although voluntary, we ask that you fill out a "Speaker Request Form", available at the side table. The completed form is to be submitted to the Recording Secretary prior to being heard. **Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes each with a maximum of six (6) minutes.***

6. CONSENT CALENDAR:

*Consent Calendar items are normally enacted in one motion. Commissioners may remove a Consent Calendar item for separate action. **Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes each with a maximum of (6) minutes.***

6.1 Approval of Minutes from August 14, 2012.

7. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

Public comment will be called for each non-hearing item. Please keep comments brief so that everyone who wishes to speak has the opportunity to do so. After public comment is closed, you may not further speak on the matter unless the Commission requests further clarification of your statement. Public Comment is limited to two (2) minutes with a maximum of six (6) minutes.

7.1 Commission Organization.

Recommendation: Receive memo to the City Council from City Manager Van Nort.

8. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS:

(Committee Reports, Agenda Items, Meeting Requests and Review etc.)

This is an opportunity for the Commission Members to report on their activities, to bring a matter to the attention of the full Commission and staff, and to request agenda items. Any matter that was considered during the public hearing portion is not appropriate for discussion in this section of the agenda. NO ACTION CAN BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

9. CITY STAFF REPORT:

9.1 Public Feedback received on the Emergency Operations Plan.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City of Eastvale. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

POSTING STATEMENT:

I, Ariel Berry, Deputy City Clerk or my designee hereby certify that a true and correct, accurate copy of the foregoing agenda was posted on September 6, 2012, seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting per Government Code 54954.2.

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MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF
THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF EASTVALE
Tuesday August 14, 2012
3:00 P.M.**

**Eastvale City Hall
12363 Limonite Ave., Suite 910
Eastvale, CA 91752**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Blow called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recording Secretary Renear called the roll.

Present: Commissioners Medrano, Allis, and Chairperson Blow.

Absent: Commissioner Harris and Vice Chairperson Howell

Staff Members Present: City Manager Van Nort, Code Enforcement Officer Evans, Assistant Chief of Police Horton, Lieutenant Yates, Traffic Engineer Joe Semon, Assistant City Clerk Berry and Recording Secretary Renear.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Blow.

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None

4. PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

4.1 Department Presentations

Code Enforcement Officer Allyn Evans was introduced. She announced that her department was moving to a new database system. The role and relationship of Code Enforcement with the City and Commission was also discussed. Evans also stated that weekend enforcement is returning to the City.

Lieutenant Yates was introduced. It was announced that he will be taking over for Lt. Horton at the Commission meetings. His contact numbers are:

(951) 955-2612 – office
(951) 347-3817 - cell

Traffic Engineer Semon provided a presentation on school traffic. He commended patrol officers on the great job they are doing around the schools in the City. Traffic Engineer Semon said the City applied for grants and received one to put sidewalks on Orange Avenue just West of Eastvale Elementary. Another grant was also applied for, to put in a sidewalk and crosswalk at Orange Avenue and Scholar Way. The status of that grant was unknown. The traffic problems concerning Roosevelt High School and Rosa Parks Elementary were also discussed. Traffic Engineer Semon informed the Commission that the plans for the cloverleaf design interchange to be installed at the Limonite Avenue overpass are ongoing.

Several announcements were made by City Manager Van Nort. The first announcement being that Public Safety should be aware of the projects discussed and approved by the Planning commission. City Manager Van Nort mentioned there was a Lewis Project scoping meeting happening in the next week or so that members of the Public Safety Commission might consider going to. City Manager Van Nort also announced that an offer had been made on a piece of land near Chandler and Shelby for the construction of a new fire station.

Commissioner Medrano commented that one idea for traffic safety for the schools would be to consider one-way streets during school hours in front of the schools. Commissioner Medrano mentioned he has seen it down in other cities successfully.

It was announced by City Manager Van Nort that the dedication for the new Community Center would be August 25, 2012 at 9 a.m.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Irene Long, Eastvale resident and Disaster Preparedness Program Innovator, announced two upcoming meetings.

Wednesday August 15th, Jurupa meeting in Moreno valley.

Friday August 17th, from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., the Southern California Earthquake meeting would be held by the group who organized the shakeout. It would be at the Jurupa Area Recreation and Parks District in Riverside.

She also announced the introduction of a new program to the City called “Map Your Neighborhood.” It is intended to prepare communities for disasters. The pilot date for the program for the City of Eastvale would be 8/25/12.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR:

6.1 Approval of Minutes from March 12, 2012.

Motion: Moved by Medrano, seconded by Allis to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion carried 3-0-2 with Harris and Howell absent.

7. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

7.1 Commission Organization.

Recommendation: Oral report by City Manager Van Nort in regards to attendance and the Commission Organization.

City Manager Van Nort explained the importance of attendance at Public Safety Commission meetings. It was discussed that until the commission decides on a specific location, date and time for meetings, that attendance would not be an issue per Ordinance 2011-03. Once that is established, attendance would be kept track of. City Manager Van Nort encouraged the establishment by the Commissioners of a regular location, time and date for future meetings beginning in September.

Commissioner Medrano stated that the current location for the meetings was too small. Medrano proposed that the Public Safety Commission meet at the same location where the Planning Commission and city Council meetings are held.

Assistant City Clerk Berry stated that the days of the month available for that location would be either the 2nd or 3rd Thursday of the month after 4 p.m.

Chairman Blow suggested that the commissioners email Asst. City Clerk Berry with their availability and Assist. City Clerk Berry would set up the date, time and location for future meetings. Chairman Blow also stated that if a commissioner knows in advance he can't keep his commitment to the position they should do the honorable thing and step down.

Motion: Moved by Allis, seconded by Medrano to have Asst. City Clerk Berry set up the date, time and location for future meetings.

Motion carried 3-0-2 with Harris and Howell absent.

7.2 Discussion about Commission Bylaws.

Recommendation: Open discussion and a possible recommendation to the City Council for amendments.

City Manager Van Nort gave a brief staff report.

Commissioner Medrano stated that he would like to propose that the Bylaws be amended so that the Public Safety Commission would review the Public Safety budgets prior to them going to the City Council and have the ability to make recommendations at the City Council meeting.

All commissioners agreed that they did not want to be a watchdog for the police and fire departments, nor would they second guess their ability to do their jobs.

Commissioner Medrano mentioned that he knows of two other cities whose commissions have input on budget items pertaining to public safety.

City Manager Van Nort requested that Commissioner Medrano give him those city ordinances for those cities in which the Commissioners are able to have input on budget items. City Manager Van Nort agreed to take the idea under submission.

7.3 School Traffic.

Recommendation: Receive and file a report on local school traffic.

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting.

7.4 Part 2 of Emergency Operations Plan

Recommendation: Review and approval of Part 2 of EOC.

Motion: Moved by Allis, seconded by Medrano to approve Part 2 of the EOC.

Motion carried 3-0-2 with Harris and Howell absent.

8. ***OLD BUSINESS ITEMS:***

There were no Old Business Items.

9. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS:

Commissioner Medrano announced that on September 22nd LEAFF is hosting the Eastvale Grand Smoke Fundraiser. It will be held at Councilmember Bootsma's ranch. A leadership award will be presented to Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff.

10. CITY STAFF REPORT:

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Blow adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Renear
Recording Secretary

Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
CC: Public Safety Commission
From: Robert L. Van Nort City Manager
Date: 9/6/2012
Re: Public Safety Commission - Functions

The Public Safety Commission was established by Ordinance Number 2011-03 on the 23rd of February, 2011. The Ordinance provides for the duties and authority of the Commission (Attachment 1).

The Commission by motion is requesting the duties and authority be expanded to include evaluating the adequacy of police, fire and health services.

DISCUSSION:

The Council in establishing the Public Safety Commission explicitly deleted any reference to subordinating its responsibility for managing the Sheriff and Fire Contracts. The Commission, which is comprised of five members, voted 3 – 0 the duties should be expanded, due to that being the desires of the community.

Two cities were cited as allowing such review and analysis. They are San Dimas and La Mirada. The San Dimas Public Safety Commission is comprised of twelve members, primarily non-public safety, meeting bi-monthly. The San Dimas Duties (Attachment 2) focus on providing the Sheriff Department the issues of the community. They do not make or take positions on staffing, directing and or supervising the personnel of the respective departments. They are not involved with the provisions of the contract between the city and the County of Los Angeles.

The City of La Mirada primary focus is traffic safety. They have considered renaming the Commission the Traffic Safety Commission, as they are handling red curbs, stop signs, speed bumps. They are not, and I repeat involved in the staffing, additions and or reductions in staffing, as that is the primary responsibility of the City Manager and City Council.

The San Dimas Public Safety Commission is staffed by the City Manager. The La Mirada Public Safety Commission is handled by the Deputy City Manager with assistance of the Traffic Engineer and Station Lieutenant.

The two examples provided by the Public Safety Commission share a common theme. In that the Commission is focused on either traffic related issues or community issues presented by the Public at their meetings. In both situations, the Contract with the Sheriff and or the Fire Department is the

responsibility of the City Manager and Council. There doesn't appear to be a need to revise the Ordinance to achieve similar results and community support. However, there concerns do bring to the forefront the need to adjust the procedures and staffing to enhance their effectiveness.

The Public Safety Commission has been operating at a disadvantage for public exposure. Consistency in the date, time and location of their meetings is imperative to their success. They have been requested to designate a date (such as the first Monday of the Month) time (such as 6:30 PM) and location (dependent on longevity) it could be either the Rosa Parks Elementary School, Augustine Ramirez Middle School or one of the meeting rooms at recently dedicated by the Jurupa Community School.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **Establish a specific date, time and location for the Commission to conduct their business.**
2. **Provide staffing at the City Manager or designee level, to assist the Commission in achieving the Public Safety objectives established by the City Council.**
3. **The Public Safety Commission shall receive the same emergency notifications as the City Council on those issues of public safety importance.**
4. **The Commission shall receive all monthly reports from the Planning, and Public Works department indicating the projects being considered, number of housing units, streets being considered for improvement, etc.**
5. **The Commission shall make quarterly reports to the Council either in writing and or Oral presentation.**

IN summary, the existing Ordinance is consistent with the practices of the two cities, and should remain as currently structured.