

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Approved Minutes of October 10, 2011

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

I. Chair/Councilmember Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm in the City Council Chambers of City Hall. The committee moved the meeting to the adjoining Courtyard Conference Room at 6:45 p.m. as was posted in the public notification.

Committee Members:

Present: L. Robinson (Chair), D. Lane, D. Terrazas

<u>Staff</u>: T. Shull, Assistant City Manager; S. Clark, Deputy Police Chief; R. Martinez, Deputy Police Chief; M. Garcia, Parks Superintendent; R. Solick, Principal Analyst; S. Collins,

Assistant to the City Manager

Public: Fifteen members of the public

II. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

There was no public comment.

III. Approval of the Minutes of the June 27, 2011 Meeting

Councilmember Terrazas moved, seconded by Vice Mayor Lane, to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2011 meetings as submitted. The motion carried 3 - 0.

IV. Tsunami Readiness: Planning and Community Outreach

Committee members discussed tsunami-preparedness material that was presented by Robert Solick, Tom Evans of the National Weather Service and Kevin Miller of CalEMA during an informal meeting on September 19, 2011.

By consensus, the committee directed staff to work internally and with outside partners like to the CVC and develop a phased tsunami-preparedness recommendation for City Council consideration in 2012.

V. Levee Safety Discussion

Assistant City Manager Tina Shull, Deputy Chief Steve Clark and Parks Superintendent Mauro Garcia provided a brief overview of the City's efforts to address safety and nuisance issues occurring on the San Lorenzo River Levee.

The public commented on the various societal issues occurring in the River Levee area, and provided ideas to address those concerns.

By consensus, the committee directed staff to develop an educational report on the Levee, exploring regulatory authority and public safety preventative measures available, to be discussed at a future committee meeting. The committee will then develop policy recommendations for City Council's consideration in 2012.

VI. Community Safety Update / Recent Street Crimes Issues

Deputy Chief Martinez provided an overview of recent street crimes committed in the Westside area. According to Martinez, the Police Department has increased its presence in the area and no robberies have occurred since that effort was undertaken. The committee asked questions and took no action.

VII. Communications from Committee Members (Information Only)

None.

Adjournment – at 7:30 p.m., the Public Safety Committee adjourned form the regular meeting of October 10, 2011 to its next regularly scheduled meeting on December 12, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

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