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Public Safety Committee Meeting
July 12, 2023 @ 7:00pm

Location:

Sherman Oaks - Martin Pollard Public Library

14245 Moorpark Street
Sherman Oaks, CA 91423

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Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to **2 minutes** per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

Public Safety Committee Meeting

AGENDA

1. The Public Safety Committee (“PSC”) Call to Order – Susan Collins, Chair

2. Roll Call – Penny Gilbert, Secretary

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from PSC Meeting held on May 27th, 2023

4. Introductions & City Updates – Committee, City Officials and Staff:

5. Sherman Oaks Senior Lead Officer Updates:

6. Public Comments: Comments by the public on non-agenda items within the Public Safety Committee’s jurisdiction

7. Items for Discussion by the Committee - Susan Collins:

a.) Moving forward our regularly scheduled Public Safety Committee Meeting will return to meeting on the 2nd Tues. of each month in the Martin Pollard, Sherman Oaks Public Library at 7:00pm.

b.) Possible addition of a PSC outreach event, to be held every other month, at varying Sherman Oaks businesses. These events will be considered outreach only. We will be present as representatives of SONC, however we will not discuss future motions or vote on committee matters.

c.) Public Safety Committee participation on behalf of SONC, in partnership with the Chamber Commerce and the LAPD in the National Night Out scheduled for August 1, 2023, from 6:00-7:30pm on front of Ralph’s on the corner of Ventura and Hazeltine.

8. “But Did You Call?” - Barbara McDermott:

Reviews the importance of reporting events to the police - even when we think might be useless. Reporting information creates documentation and can help police apprehend criminals. Also, a review of when to call 911, vs. calling the non-emergency number and our LAPD Senior Lead Officers. Learn how these divisions all work together and how your participation can help make our communities safer.

9. LAFD / CERT Updates - Christy Adair:

10. Final Committee Business and Announcements: *Emergency or timely items since the posting of the agenda.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE RESOURCES:

- For **LAFD CERT** information, check the www.CERT-LA.com website
- For Emergency Preparedness Continuing Education classes, sign up at join.ntp-la.org
- For **Map Your Neighborhood**, contact Barbara at Barbara.McDermott.Sonc@gmail.com
- For **Neighborhood Watch Groups**, contact Cissy at Cissy.Altamirano.Sonc@gmail.com
- To **SUBSCRIBE** to receive monthly meeting announcements and agendas, contact: SoncPScommittee@gmail.com
- For **Neighborhood Watch** info, contact your local Senior Lead Officer (“SLO”). To find your SLO: <https://www.lapdonline.org/> | Your LAPD | Find Your Local Police Station
- For **LAPD volunteer opportunities**, contact Officer Jason Jimenez in the Community Relations Office at 38903@lapd.online, or call (818) 374-5420.

ONGOING RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PRACTICE OPPORTUNITIES:

Weekly Walkie-Talkie Radio Check-In: Every Sunday at 10am: Channel 20 (or Ch 16 if 20 is busy), we check-in around the Valley to see how far our voices can be heard. We practice checking-in, moving locations around the home until someone can hear us. Simple radios are a good source of emergency communication with your immediate area which could help if we experience a valley-wide disaster. The PSC suggests you pull-out a walkie, put in fresh batteries, and listen to next Sunday’s net to see if you can hear anyone.

Weekly Sunday Morning Lake Balboa Amateur Radio Net: Every Sunday at 9am on Simplex 145.570 we have a weekly net for Ham Radio Operators transmitting around the SF Valley and beyond. It is a formal, but friendly, net where information is exchanged on a variety of topics. It is especially great net for NEW Hams.

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