

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA
September 12, 2016 at 8:30 am
Fire Department EOC Room, 817 Mound Avenue, South Pasadena, CA**

Dr. Harry Lieberman, Chair
Janet Braun, Vice-Chair, arrived at 8:37am
Ellen Daigle, Member – not present
Vernon Rene Daley, Member – not present
Robert Ettinger, Member
Luis Reinoso, Member
Alex Wing, Member – not present
Robert S. Joe, Council Liaison – not present
Paul Riddle, Deputy Fire Chief
Mario Rueda, Fire Chief Staff Liaison, arrived at 9:55am
Art Miller, Police Chief Staff Liaison – not present
Brian Solinsky, Police Captain – excused at 9:30am

Call to Order. Chair Dr. Harry Lieberman opened the meeting at 8:31am.

Approval of Minutes. Approval of the minutes of the Commission's July 11, 2016 meeting and August 9, 2016 special meeting were moved to approval by Commissioner Braun and seconded by Commissioner Reinoso.

Public Comments. None.

Council Liaison Comments. None.

Chief Rueda Liaison Report. Deputy Fire Chief Riddle advised that the PSC website has been updated to include Neighborhood Watch and Purpose of Mission statement. A new rescue ambulance is now in service, and the retired RA will be auctioned or given to our Sister City in Mexico. The life expectancy of a rig is 10 years and a rescue ambulance is 7-8 years (much more wear and tear due to many more calls for service). Both DFC Riddle and Cpt. Solinsky addressed the PSC's questions regarding the Emergency Operation Plan (EOP). The new document is thorough, easy to read and understand. The EOP must be updated every 3 years by law and will be implemented by DFC Riddle and Cpt. Solinsky. They will roll out to city staff first and then online. Additionally, the Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) must be provided every 5 years and will roll out in 2017.

Chief Miller Liaison Report. Captain Solinsky represented Chief Miller as PD Liaison. He indicated that FD/PD Open House will be held this Sunday, September 18th in tandem with a car show. Cpt. Solinsky advised that City Council approved updating the Dispatch Center from 2 seats to 3 at an

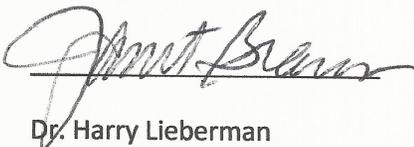
approximate cost of \$350,000 which will be funded by a state grant. New technology is included in the upgrade which will include 911 calls for service to be received by text also. The additional dispatch seat will provide another resource if a seat is out of service and will allow a third dispatcher for special events or in case of an emergency. SPPD receives approximately 60,000 calls for service annually which include records and operations requests. Dispatched officer calls total about 26,000 and call volume is expected to increase to 35,000 in fiscal year 2017. Approximately 150,000 citizens drive through South Pasadena daily. Due to the increase in traffic an additional motor officer will be appointed within the next few months. Cpt. Solinsky advised that WCSET Task Force renegotiated the asset forfeiture return to SPPD to 4% due to the addition of DEA and CHP. This item will go to City Council for a vote on September 21st.

Neighborhood Watch. Chair Dr. Lieberman hosted a Watch meeting at home on 9-11-2016 with 10 people in attendance. Commissioner Daigle, Ettinger and Reinoso will staff the Neighborhood Watch booth at Open House.

Discussion Red Flag Parking Restrictions. Chief Rueda and DFC Riddle advised that SPFD is concerned regarding medical and fire response in the hill areas south of Monterey and West of Meridian. It is difficult to get the rigs or RA through restrictive choke points on certain streets, which limits FD's ability to respond. FD's goal is to maintain access in the hills. FD is requesting the PSC's support in moving forward to explore obtaining restrictive red curbs and/or red flag day parking. Red flag days are determined by the National Weather Service and are based on elements of low humidity, high temperatures and strong winds. FD will move forward in 4 steps – 1) Survey Districts, 2) Determine Program Phases, 3) Public Outreach and 4) Council Presentations. Commissioner Braun moved for a motion to support FD to investigate and propose red curbing and/or red flag parking. Commissioner Reinoso seconded and the PSC concurred unanimously.

Commissioner's Comments. Commissioner Reinoso discussed the growing concern of coyotes in the community. PHS is allowed only to trap and relocate; the City is responsible to make the request for abatement. DFC Riddle will refer the concern to Animal Commission Liaison Cpt. Neff to address. The next PSC meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2016.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05am.



Dr. Harry Lieberman

Chairperson

Respectfully submitted,

Idessa Gonzales

Police Clerk