

CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS

ADJOURNED REGULAR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, July 1, 2008

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The July 1, 2008 adjourned regular meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by Chairman Jim Doran.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chairman Jim Doran
Commissioner Mark Deitch
Commissioner Gabe Nussbaum

Absent: Commissioner Kimila Ulrich
Commissioner Martin Zane

Staff: Secretary Virginia Hoover

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda for the adjourned July 1, 2008 regular meeting was approved as submitted.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 29, 2008 Regular Meeting, the May 13, 2008 Adjourned Regular Meeting, the May 14, 2008 Adjourned Regular Meeting, the May 27, 2008 Regular Meeting and the June 24, 2008 Regular Meeting were approved as submitted.

5. **AUDIENCE**

Present were residents Noel Black, Kelly Cunningham, and John Schreyer, and Sgt. Phil Brooks of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

6. **BUDGET/FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

In the budget the purchase of the satellite phones was moved from Public Safety to Capital Improvements, as was the purchase of the City Hall generator. The Public Safety Budget was approved as submitted to the City Council.

7. **L.A. COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL**

Activity reports for April and May were received and discussed.

8. **L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Activity reports for April and May were received. It was pointed out that only electric leaf blowers, which produce less noise and fumes, may be used within the City, not gas ones. The fact that weed whackers can generate sparks, which can cause fires, was shown in the reports.

9. **L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Activity reports for April and May were received. Letters were sent by the STTOP Deputy to several residents regarding vehicles being driven in an unsafe manner.

10. **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

A. Disaster Area B Issues

The Area B meeting was a field trip tour of Union Station. Chairman Doran attended and said it was very informative.

B. Disaster Preparedness

Chairman Doran distributed a proposed list of personnel for EOC positions. These may be changed in the future based upon the differing abilities of individuals.

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Request from Hidden Hills Resident Linda Levin to Change the 3/25/08 Public Safety Meeting Minutes

Based upon recollection of the discussion at that meeting, the Commissioners found no reason to amend the minutes.

B. Review of Amendment to the Agreement for School Crossing Guard Services from All City Management Services and Recommendation to City Council

Upon motion of Commissioner Deitch, seconded by Commissioner Nussbaum and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the amendment to the contract, with a provision that All City Management Services provide in writing the new schedule for each crossing guard, showing the distribution of the extra ½ hour per guard.

C. Discussion Regarding Production of Emergency Response Program Video

Commissioner Deitch has been unable to find anyone within the City to complete this project. The purpose of the video would be to educate residents about CERT training. The County is planning a generic video on this subject. It might be possible to use the County video, adapting it to the needs of Hidden Hills residents. Chairman Doran will contact FEMA and other organizations to see if they produce videos. Commissioner Deitch will write a letter explaining what the Commission wants, submitting it to other companies for possible proposals. Upon motion of Commissioner Deitch, seconded by Commissioner Nussbaum and unanimously carried, it was resolved to prepare an RFP for the production of an emergency response program video, and send the RFP to several companies and universities.

12. TRAFFIC ISSUES

A. No Stopping Anytime Zone on Hilltop Road

Pictures of the area were available. Resident Noel Black and his tenant Kelly Cunningham were present to discuss the “No Stopping Anytime” zone through the curve on the downside of Hilltop Road, for which five (5) signs were placed on Mr. Black’s property. Mr. Black and Ms. Cunningham felt that the signs have caused an increase in speed coming down Hilltop as people know that no one will be parked there, and asked for the removal of three of the five signs. Chairman Doran and Traffic Sgt. Phil Brooks, L.A. County Sheriff’s Department, explained the reasons for the signs and reminded everyone of the complaints from other residents on Hilltop due to previous parking in that location. Mr. Black showed a video of cars coming down the hill at different speeds, which he felt made it difficult for Ms. Cunningham to pull out of her driveway. Sgt. Brooks pointed out that sight lines were a major part of the problem, suggesting that Mr. Black cut the vegetation and trim the bushes, which Mr. Black agreed to do. The Sheriff will be asked to monitor the area more

closely for speeding. Mr. Black still thought the signs presented a safety hazard, believing there could be more problems. Sgt. Brooks will ask the City Engineer if it might be possible to install a sign warning of the driveway. Pictures of the area are available.

- B. Request from Resident John Schreyer (6006 Clear Valley Road) for Installation of Mirror for Driveway Exit

Pictures of the area were provided by staff. Sgt. Brooks suggested painting a line and adding raised reflectors down the middle of the street through the curve to keep cars from going over the centerline. The City Engineer will look at the area to see if this is feasible.

- C. Discussion Regarding the Possible Relocation of the City's Traffic Calming Device

Commissioner Nussbaum will obtain quotes for moving the sign and for having a sleeve installed to hold the pole at the new location, which will be determined after moving costs are resolved.

13. PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES

It was determined that all existing and future Public Safety Commissioners will be required to take CERT and NIMS training.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Doran reported that a letter regarding voting rights for the State Homeland Security Grant Program and Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) was sent by the City Council to the Los Angeles County Supervisors questioning the possible loss of individual DMAC voting.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Jim Doran, Chairman

Virginia Hoover, Secretary