

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2020



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- 1. CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by Chair Peña at 9:06 am at CVAG, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Room 119, Palm Desert, CA.
- 2. ROLL CALL** - Roll call was taken and was determined that a quorum was present.

Members Present

City of Coachella
City of Desert Hot Springs
City of Indio
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
Riverside County District 4

Councilmember Megan Beaman-Jacinto
Councilmember Russell Betts
Councilmember Waymond Fermon, Vice Chair
Councilmember John Peña, Chair
Councilmember Kathleen Kelly
Councilmember Lisa Middleton
Mayor Iris Smotrich
Jeff Van Wagenen

Ex Officio Members Present

California Highway Patrol
Desert Hot Springs Police
District Attorney's Office
Thermal Sheriff Station
Palm Desert Sheriff Station
Palm Springs Fire
Palm Springs Police
U.S. Customs and Border Patrol
Riverside County Sheriff Department
Riverside County Probation Department

Dennis Woodbury
Chief Jim Henson
Gerald Fineman
Captain Misty Reynolds
Captain Joseph Belli
Chief J. Kevin Nalder
Mike Kovaleff
David Kim, Assistant Chief Patrol Agent
Sheriff Chad Bianco
Cristine Castro

Members and Ex Officios Not Present

City of Cathedral City
City of Indian Wells
Cathedral City Fire
Cathedral City Police
Indio Police
Riverside County Fire
Riverside County District 4
Riverside County Sheriff

Councilmember Raymond Gregory
Mayor Ted Mertens
Chief Paul Wilson
Acting Chief George Crum
Chief Mike Washburn
Robert Fish
Supervisor Manuel Perez
Matthew Martell
Chris Willison

Others Present

CVAG

Libby Carlson
Erica Felci
Tom Kirk
Tom Cox
Colin Atagi

Desert Sun

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by Chair John Peña.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS** – None

5. **COMMITTEE MEMBER / DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

- Councilmember Russell Betts commented on COVID-19 recovery in China

6. **EX-OFFICIO COMMENTS**

- Captain Reynolds, Thermal Sheriff Station, waiting to hear updates on festivals and events.
- Agent Kim, US Customs & Border Patrol, COVID19 updates for staff and those that cross the border.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. Approve February 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes

IT WAS MOVED BY VICE CHAIR FERMON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLY TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 10, 2020 MEETING MINUTES.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8 AYES AND 2 ABSENT

Councilmember Gregory	Absent
Councilmember Beaman-Jacinto	Aye
Councilmember Betts	Aye
Mayor Mertens	Absent
Councilmember Fermon	Aye
Councilmember Peña	Aye
Councilmember Kelly	Aye
Councilmember Middleton	Aye
Mayor Smotrich	Aye
Jeff Van Wagenen	Aye

8. **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

A. Presentation by Riverside County- Sheriff Chad Bianco

Action: Information Only

B. Update on The CV100 Coordinated Homelessness Outreach Initiative- Tom Cox

Action: Information Only

C. Update on COVID-19 Response – Jeff Van Wagenen

Action: Information Only

9. **INFORMATION** - The following item was submitted for information only:

A. Attendance Record

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS** – None.

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Upcoming meetings at CVAG, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Room 119, Palm Desert:

- Public Safety Committee – Monday, April 13 at 9 am
- Executive Committee – Monday, April 27 at 4:30 pm

12. ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Cox