

UNAPPROVED

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF LA MIRADA
JUNE 22, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ojeisekohba called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, La Mirada City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Ojeisekhoba.

ROLL CALL

The Public Safety and Traffic Commission was present with Chair Ojeisekhoba, Vice Chair Lynch, Commissioners Covarrubias, Dahl and Meza responding to roll call.

The following staff members were also present: Assistant City Manager Anne Haraksin, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sergeants Oscar Rodriguez and Godin Gonzales, Public Safety Specialist Michael Alfonso, Safety Education Officer Mary Cipres, and Secretary Emily Benavidez.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 25, 2023

Commissioner Covarrubias moved and Vice Chair Lynch seconded to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2023 meeting of the Public Safety and Traffic Commission.

MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Covarrubias, Dahl, Meza, Vice Chair Lynch, Chair Ojeisekhoba

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Items were taken out of order.

COMMUNICATIONS

3. MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT – APRIL 2023

Assistant City Manager Anne Haraksin and Sergeant Rodriguez provided information on the Traffic Report.

Commissioner Dahl moved and Vice Chair Lynch seconded to receive and file the Traffic Report for April 2023.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

- AYES: Commissioners Covarrubias, Dahl, Meza, Vice Chair Lynch, Chair Ojeisekhoba**
- NOES: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

4. MONTHLY CRIME REPORT – MAY 2023

Assistant City Manager Anne Haraksin and Sergeant Rodriguez provided information on the Crime Report.

Commissioner Meza moved and Commissioner Dahl seconded to receive and file the Crime Report for April 2023.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

- AYES: Commissioners Covarrubias, Dahl, Meza, Vice Chair Lynch, Chair Ojeisekhoba**
- NOES: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

2. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – JUNE 2023

Los Angeles County Fire Battalion Chief Nick Berkuta, Captain David Dombrowski, Firefighter Specialist David Young, and Firefighter/Paramedic Chris Smith addressed the Public Safety and Traffic Commission. They reported on the Fire Department's activities. Los Angeles County Fire Battalion Chief Berkuta thanked staff for the drainage improvement construction on La Mirada Boulevard. Captain Dombrowski reported that the LA County Fire and Rescue show on NBC accurately portrays the Fire Department using a Lucas Device to provide high quality CPR. Firefighter/Paramedic Smith said that La Mirada's Station 49 has a Lucas Device and he described how it functions when saving a life. Firefighter Specialist Young reported on fireworks safety and fire danger.

5. MONTHLY TRAFFIC STUDY STATUS REPORT – JUNE 2023

Assistant City Manager Haraksin provided an update on the Traffic Study Status Report for June 2023.

Commissioner Covarrubias moved and Commissioner Dahl seconded to receive and file the Traffic Study Status Report for June 2023.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

- AYES: Commissioners Covarrubias, Dahl, Meza, Vice Chair Lynch, Chair Ojeisekhoba**
- NOES: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

NEW BUSINESS

6. PUBLIC SAFETY POSTER CONTEST

Assistant City Manager Haraksin reported on the City's Public Safety Poster Contest. The Public Safety and Traffic Commission reviewed the report and selected Be Ready! Stay Healthy! as the theme for this year's Public Safety poster contest.

7. NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Assistant City Manager Haraksin reported on the City's National Night Out event. The Public Safety and Traffic Commission discussed the report and expressed an interest in being on stage to promote National Night Out.

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Covarrubias thanked Councilmembers Ed Eng and John Lewis for attending the meeting. He thanked the City for hosting the father/son campout. Mr. Covarrubias also expressed interest in installing cameras at La Mirada Regional Park.

Commissioner Meza reported that he attended the Memorial Day event on May 29 at Olive Lawn Cemetery. He expressed concerns with homelessness. He invited the Commissioners to the Greenhills community's July 4 event that begins with a parade at 10 a.m. He also thanked the Public Safety Team, the Fire Department. and law enforcement.

Chair Ojeisekohba thanked the Public Safety Team for all its efforts.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assistant City Manager Haraksin reported that the City Council reorganized at the

June 13 meeting. She also said HAMWatch was having a Field Day in the north parking lot of City Hall on June 24 and 25. Ms. Haraksin said that enforcement of illegal fireworks will take place on July 4. She reported that Tracy Stewart is the Acting Captain at Norwalk Station.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the Public Safety and Traffic Commission adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Submitted:

Attest:

Emily Benavidez, Secretary

John Ojeisekhoba, Chair