PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, July 8, 2025
3:30 p.m.
Administrative Conference Room, City Hall
73-510 Fred Waring Drive
Palm Desert, CA 92260

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 2449, this meeting will be conducted as a hybrid meeting and there will be in-person access to this location.

- To participate via Zoom, use the following link: https://palmdesert.zoom.us/j/83733443742 or call (213) 338-8477, Zoom Meeting ID: 837 3344 3742
- Written public comment may also be submitted to <u>cityclerk@palmdesert.gov</u>. E-mails received by 8:00 a.m. prior to the meeting will be distributed to the Committee. Any correspondence received during or after the meeting will be distributed to the Committee as soon as practicable and retained for the official record. Emails will not be read aloud except as an ADA accommodation.

Pages

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026

4. NONAGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS

This time has been set aside for the public to address the Public Safety Committee on issues that are not on the agenda for up to three minutes. Speakers may utilize one of the three options listed on the first page of the agenda. Because the Brown Act does not allow the Public Safety Committee to act on items not listed on the agenda, members may briefly respond or refer the matter to staff for a report and recommendation at a future meeting.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be approved by one motion. The public may comment on any items on the Consent Agenda within the three-minute time limit. Individual items may be removed by the Public Safety Committee for a separate discussion.

RECOM	JENDA	ATION:
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To approve the consent calendar as presented.

5.a APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Minutes of May 13, 2025.

5.b PALM DESERT SPECIALIZED UNITS REPORTS

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the report for the months of May and June 2025

5.c RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT/CAL FIRE MONTHLY REPORTS

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the report for the months of May and June 2025.

5.d CODE COMPLIANCE REPORTS

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RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the May-June 2025 Code Compliance Activity Report

5.e EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR MONTHLY REPORT

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the report for the months of May and June 2025.

5.f CITIZEN ON PATROL (COP) MONTHLY REPORT

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the COP reports for the month of May 2025.

6. CONSENT ITEMS HELD OVER

7. BUSINESS ITEMS

The public may comment on individual Action Items within the three-minute time limit. Speakers may utilize one of the three options listed on the first page of the agenda.

7.a SAFETY STICK PILOT PROGRAM – REQUEST FOR STUDY SESSION WITH CITY COUNCIL

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RECOMMENDATION:

Review the proposed Safety Stick pilot program and provide a recommendation to move forward with scheduling a study session before the City Council for further consideration.

8. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS & COMMENTS

8.a CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

The liaison provides updates to facilitate communication between the City Council and the Committee. This is an informational update with no formal action.

8.b POLICE/FIRE

Community Partners will provide updates on relevant projects, activities, and other matters within the committee's scope. These are informational items with no formal action.

8.c CITY STAFF

City staff will provide updates on relevant projects, activities, and other matters within the committee's scope. These are informational items with no formal action.

8.d ATTENDANCE REPORT

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REQUESTS FOR ACTION

Committee members may propose future agenda items within the committee's scope. Items that receive support from at least one other member may be placed on a future agenda for discussion and possible action. No formal action will be taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Meeting will be held on September 9, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.

11. PUBLIC NOTICES

Agenda Related Materials: Pursuant to Government Code §54957.5(b)(2) the designated office for inspection of records in connection with this meeting is the Office of the City Clerk, Palm Desert Civic Center, 73-510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert. Staff reports for all agenda items considered in open session, and documents provided to a majority of the legislative bodies are available for public inspection at City Hall and on the City's website at www.palmdesert.gov.

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AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda for the Public Safety Committee was posted on the City Hall bulletin board and City website not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

/s/ Monique Lomeli, CMC Senior Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

Present: Committee Member Joseph Butts, Committee Member Stephen

Nelson, Committee Member Frank Taylor, Chair Kevin

Wahlstrom, Committee Member Jeff Alley

Absent: Vice Chair Terry Kramer, Committee Member Douglas Luhring

Staff Present: Public Safety Analyst Hurtado, Code Compliance Supervisor

Pedro Rodriguez, Project Manager Lucero Leya, Assistant City Manager Richard Cannone, and Recording Secretary Monique

Lomeli

Liaison(s) Present: City Council Liaison Evan Trubee

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Committee was called to order by Chair Wahlstrom on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 3:35 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room, City Hall, located at 73-510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, California.

2. ROLL CALL

3. NON--AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by: Committee Member Alley Seconded by: Chair Wahlstrom

To approve the consent calendar as presented.

Motion Carried (5 to 0)

4.a APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by: Committee Member Alley Seconded by: Chair Wahlstrom

Approve the Minutes of March 11, 2025.

Motion Carried

4.b PALM DESERT SPECIALIZED UNITS REPORT

Motion by: Committee Member Alley **Seconded by:** Chair Wahlstrom

Receive and file the Palm Desert Specialized Units Reports for the months of

March and April 2025.

Motion Carried

4.c RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT/CAL FIRE MONTHLY REPORT

Motion by: Committee Member Alley **Seconded by:** Chair Wahlstrom

Receive and file the Riverside County Fire Department / Cal Fire Reports for the months of March and April 2025.

Motion Carried

4.d RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT / CAL FIRE QUARTERLY REPORT APRIL 2025

Motion by: Committee Member Alley **Seconded by:** Chair Wahlstrom

Receive and file the Riverside County Fire Department / Cal Fire Quarterly Report dated April 2025.

Motion Carried

4.e CODE COMPLIANCE REPORT

Motion by: Committee Member Alley **Seconded by:** Chair Wahlstrom

Approve the Code Compliance Activity reports for the months of March and April 2025.

Motion Carried

4.f EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR MONTHLY REPORT

Motion by: Committee Member Alley **Seconded by:** Chair Wahlstrom

Approve the reports for March and April 2025.

Motion Carried

4.g AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READERS (ALPR) SHARED NETWORK INFORMATION

Motion by: Committee Member Alley **Seconded by:** Chair Wahlstrom

Receive and file the Automated License Plate Readers Shared Network Report for the months of March and April 2025.

Motion Carried

5. CONSENT ITEMS HELD OVER

None.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

7. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

7.a CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

In response to an inquiry from City Council Liaison Trubee, Lt. Porras of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department stated that bicycle officers will be reinstated following the completion of training and will primarily be deployed during special events and peak holiday shopping periods.

7.b POLICE/FIRE

Lt. Porras of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department provided updates on recent significant incidents and law enforcement activities, highlighting that investigative leads were generated through the City's Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) program.

Chief Beverlin of Cal Fire introduced newly appointed Deputy Cole Hedrick and announced that a new ambulance, Medic 102, will be added to the fleet in the near future.

7.c CITY STAFF

7.c.1 Fire Station 102 Update

Project Manager Lucero Leyva provided an update on the progress of Fire Station 102, stating that construction is on schedule and the station is expected to open in May 2026.

7.c.2 Code Compliance Update

Code Compliance Supervisor Pedro Rodriguez narrated a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Committee Member inquiries.

7.c.3 Public Safety Update

Public Safety Analyst Hurtado narrated a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Committee Member inquiries.

7.c.4 Attendance Report

Report provided; no action taken on this item.

8. REQUESTS FOR ACTION

Committee Member Alley requested that Deputy Abrego provide a presentation following the completion of e-bike training.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Public Safety Committee adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

10.	PUBLIC NOTICES
	que M. Lomeli, Senior Deputy Clerk
Richa Secre	ard Cannone, Assistant City Manager

APPROVED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2025

PREPARED BY: Daniel Hurtado, Public Safety Analyst and Lt. Dan Porras, Riverside County

Sheriff

SUBJECT: PALM DESERT SPECIALIZED UNITS REPORT

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve the report for the months of May and June 2025

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

Palm Desert Specialized Units Report May and June 2025

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. May 2025 Report
- 2. June 2025 Report



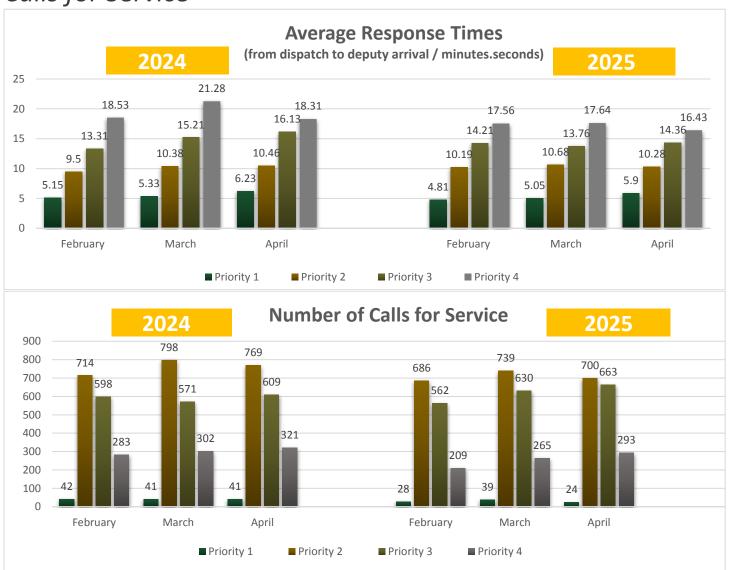
DEPARTMENTAL REPORT ITEM NO.

Year: 2025 REPORT: May

February 1, 2025 – April 30, 2025

*This report reflects the most current UCR data.

Calls for Service



Priority 1 - Involve circumstances that pose a clearly defined threat to human life or property.

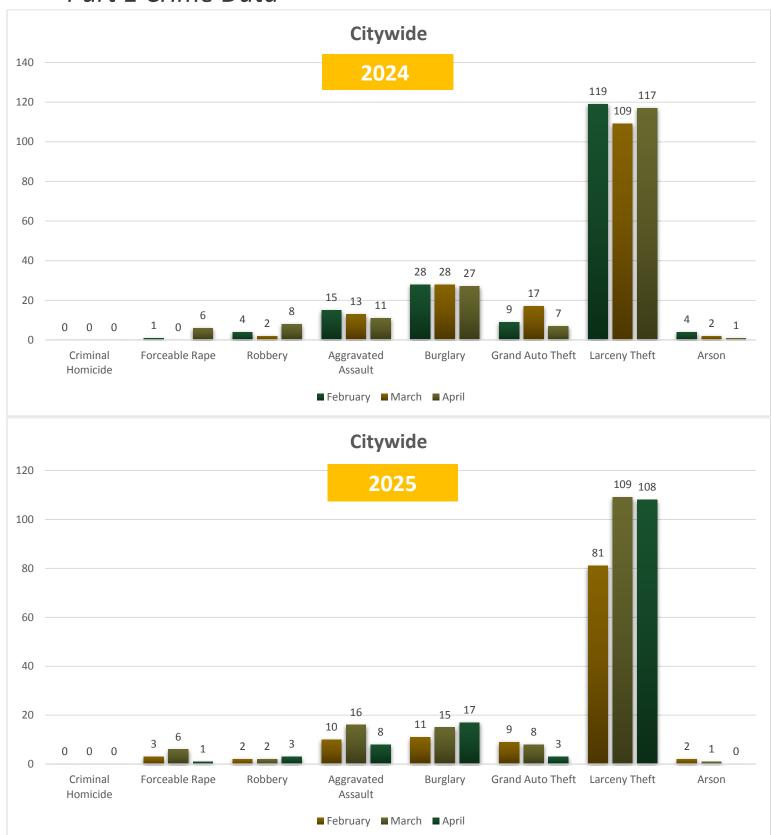
Priority 2 - Involve circumstances of an urgent but not life-threatening nature (e.g., minor assaults and batteries)

Priority 3 - Involve circumstances which are neither urgent nor life threatening (e.g., disturbances of the peace)

Priority 4 - Incident occurring in the past or "cold" calls.



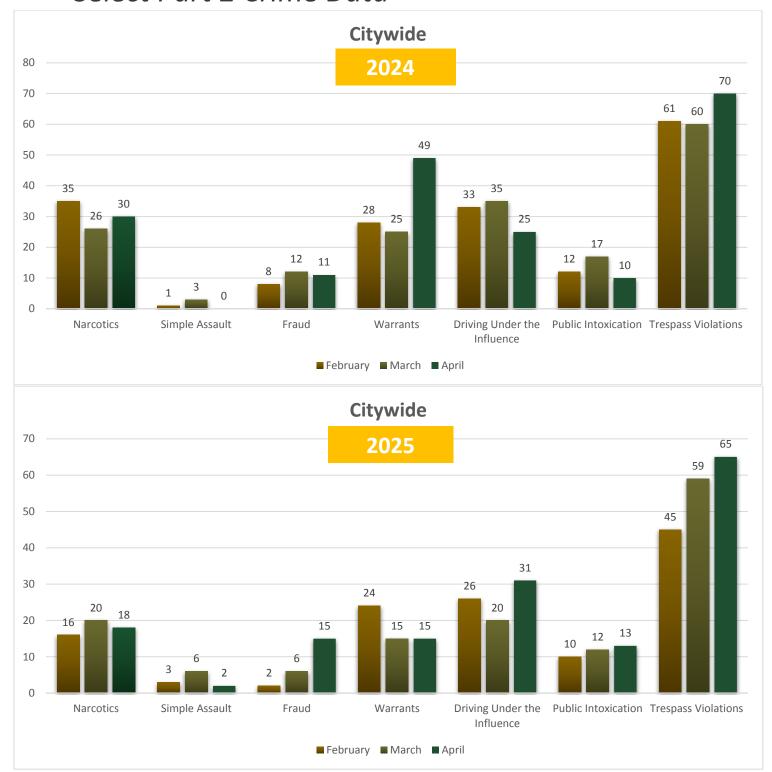
Part 1 Crime Data



Part 1 Crimes: (as defined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation) Criminal homicide, forceable rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, grand theft, grand auto theft, arson.

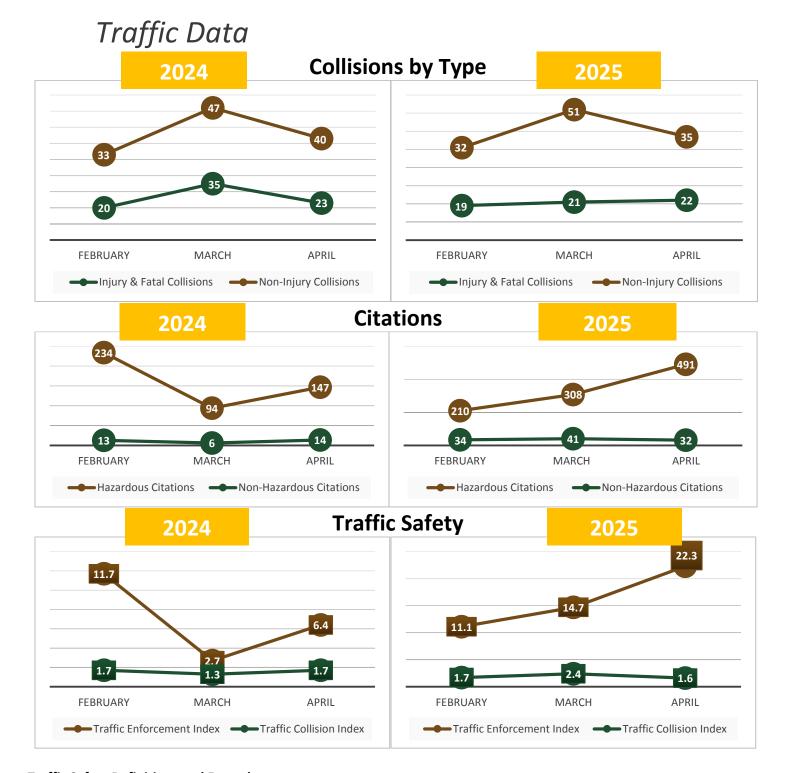


Select Part 2 Crime Data



Part 2 Crimes: (as defined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation) Forgery, fraud and insufficient funds checks, sex offences felonies, sex offences misdemeanors, non-aggravated assaults, weapons laws, offence against family, narcotics, liquor laws, drunk/alcohol/drugs, disorderly conduct, vagrancy, gambling, driving under the influence (alcohol and/or drugs), vehicle laws, vandalism, warrants, receiving stolen property, federal offences with or without money, miscellaneous felonies, and miscellaneous misdemeanors.





Traffic Safety Definitions and Formulas:

<u>Traffic Enforcement Index -</u> A statistic that reflects the effectiveness of a traffic enforcement program in reducing accidents and is expressed as Hazardous Citations + DUI Arrests / Fatal & Injury Collisions.

<u>Traffic Collision Index -</u> A statistic that measures non-injury collisions over fatal and injury collisions, expressed as Non-Injury Collisions / Fatal & Injury Collisions.

ALPR Assisted Investigations -As of 04/30/2025 Total arrests = 149. Total amount recovered = \$893,850.





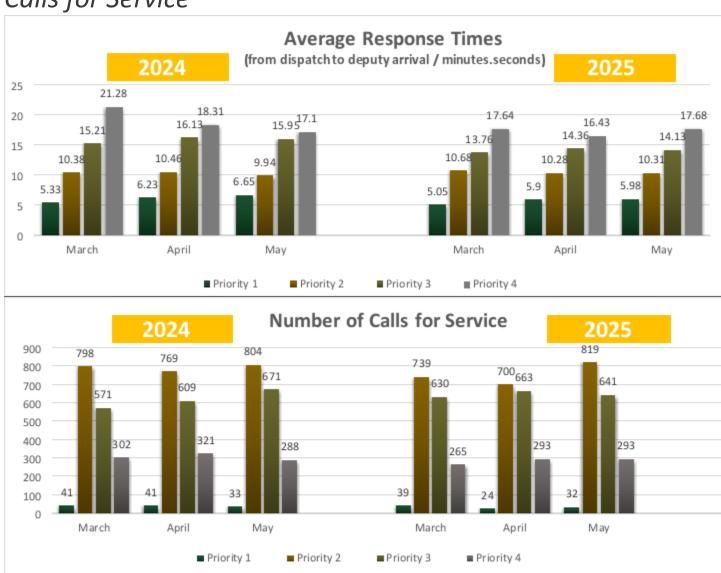
DEPARTMENTAL REPORT ITEM NO.

Year: 2025 REPORT: Ju

March 1, 2025 - May 31, 2025

*This report reflects the most current UCR data.

Calls for Service



Priority 1 - Involve circumstances that pose a clearly defined threat to human life or property.

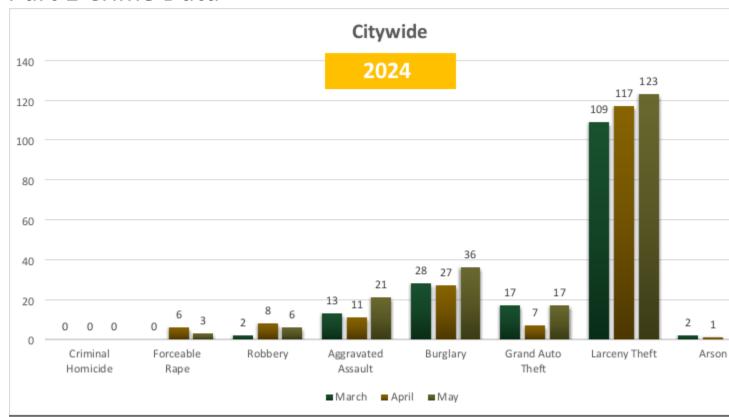
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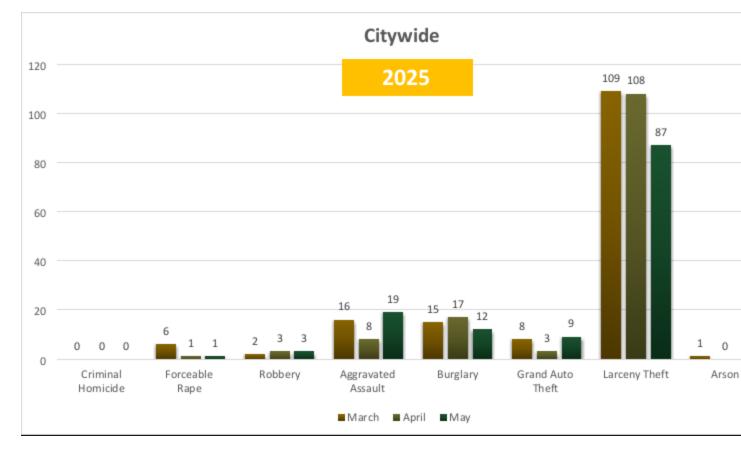
Priority 3 - Involve circumstances which are neither urgent nor life threatening (e.g., disturbances of the peace)

Priority 4 - Incident occurring in the past or "cold" calls.

Part 1 Crime Data



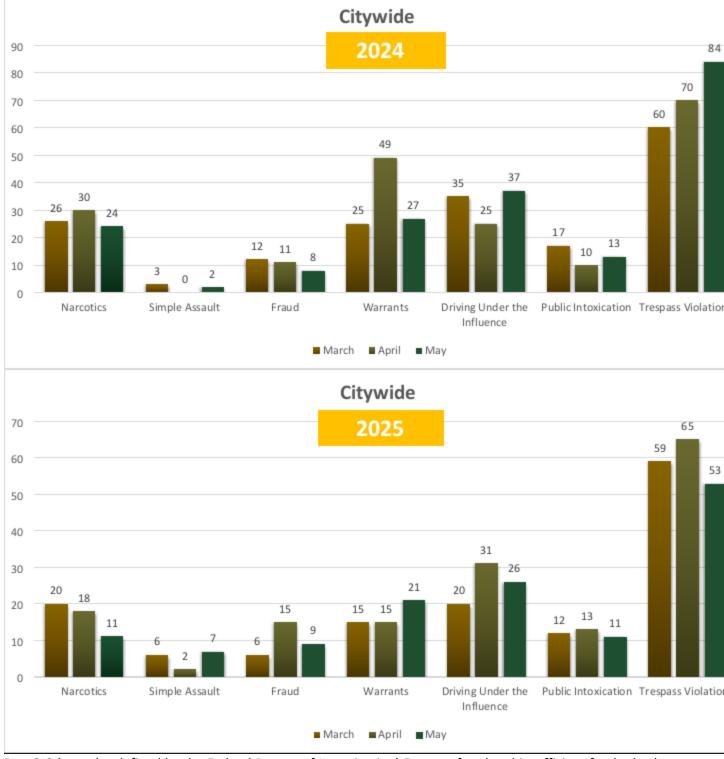




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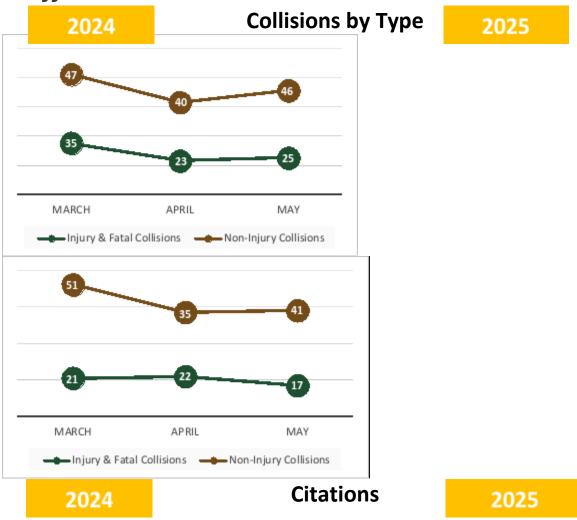




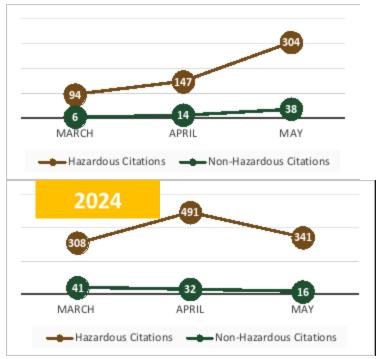
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Traffic Data

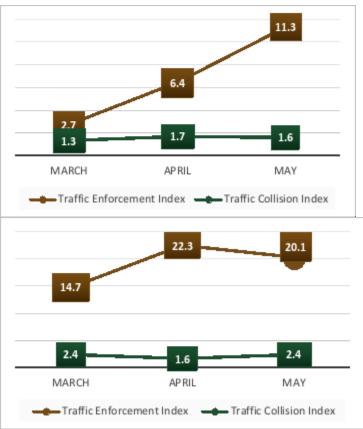






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<u>ALPR Assisted Investigations -As of 05/31/2025</u> Total arrests = 160. Total amount recovered = \$968,950.



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2025

PREPARED BY: Daniel Hurtado, Public Safety Analyst and Chief Mike Beverlin, Cal Fire

SUBJECT: RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT/CAL FIRE REPORTS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve the report for the months of May and June 2025.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

Riverside County Fire Department/Cal Fire report for May and June 2025.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. May 2025 Report
- 2. June 2025 Report



Riverside County Fire Department/ CAL FIRE

Jurisdiction Summary for City of Palm Desert Bill Weiser Fire Chief



5/1/2025 to 5/31/2025

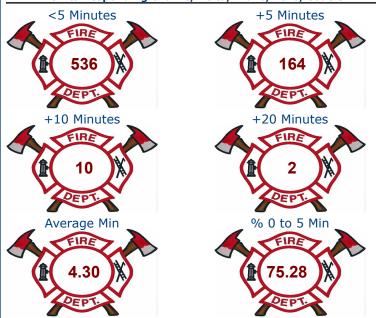
Incident Response Activity

*At least 1 Resource Dispatched

Incident Type	#
False Alarm	79
Haz Mat	3
Medical	824
Other Fire	8
Other Misc	1
Public Service Assist	53
Res Fire	4
Rescue	6
Ringing Alarm	4
Standby	3
Traffic Collision	38
Vehicle Fire	1
Wildland Fire	1
Incident Total	1.025

Average Enroute to On-Scene Time

*Units Responding Charlie, Delta, Bravo, Echo, Code 3



Enroute Time: Unit has been acknowledged as responding. On-Scene Time: Unit has been acknowledged as being On-Scene.

Transport

*Based on Units with a Transport time	
Jurisdiction Ambulance Responses	
DRM	29
EMC	394
JFK	2
Total:	425
Ambulance Mutual Aid Given	
DRM	12
EMC	158
JFK	5
Total:	175
Ambulance Mutual Aid Received	
DRM	13
EMC	148
JFK	1
Total:	162

Mutual Aid

*Unit responses	
Jurisdiction Units Responses	
Engine	499
Medic	675
Rescue	1
Squad	214
Truck/Quint	161
Total:	1,550
Mutual Aid Given	
Engine	180
Medic	241
Rescue	1
Squad	62
Truck/Quint	52
Total:	536
Mutual Aid Received	
Breathing Support	1
Chief	18
Engine	302
Environmental Health	1
HazMat	2
Medic	256
PIO	5
Squad	1
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Truck/Quint 5 **591**

Total:

Truck Report

T33 recorded 161 responses in City of Palm Desert from 5/1/2025 1:40:09 PM to 5/31/2025

1:40:09 PM

T86 recorded 5 responses in City of Palm Desert from 5/1/2025 1:40:09 PM to 5/31/2025

1:40:09 PM

Significant Incidents

25CARRU073287 5/7/2025 10:37:00AM CAL FIRE / Riverside County Fire resources responded to a medical aid inside a underground pump room vault at the Marriott Desert Springs Villas in the city of Palm Desert. The first arriving company officer reported one worker, non responsive inside a confine space and ordered additional resources. There was a second worker who had self extricated prior to the fire departments arrival. The second worker was evaluated by EMS, but denied any treatment or transport. Fire crews developed a confine space entry permit, conducted a safety briefing, and filled all appropriate positions prior to the entry team making access to the patient. Crews extracted the victim from the vault, but he had succumbed to his injuries. The incident was turned over to the Riverside County Sheriffs department for further investigation.



Riverside County Fire Department/ CAL FIRE

Jurisdiction Summary for City of Palm Desert

Bill Weiser

Fire Chief



6/1/2025 to 6/25/2025

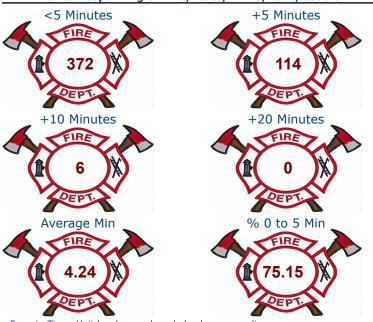
Incident Response Activity

*At least 1 Resource Dispatched

Incident Type	#
Com Fire	1
False Alarm	71
Medical	581
Other Fire	3
Other Misc	2
Public Service Assist	43
Rescue	3
Ringing Alarm	7
Standby	4
Traffic Collision	16
Wildland Fire	4
Incident Total	735

Average Enroute to On-Scene Time

*Units Responding Charlie, Delta, Bravo, Echo, Code 3



Enroute Time: Unit has been acknowledged as responding.
On-Scene Time: Unit has been acknowledged as being On-Scene.

Transport

DRM EMC JFK Other	29 292 2 1 324
EMC JFK	292 2 1
JFK	2
	1
Other	_
	324
Total:	
Ambulance Mutual Aid Given	
DRM	7
EMC	98
JFK	3
Total:	108
Ambulance Mutual Aid Received	
DRM	8
EMC	84
JFK	1
Total:	93

Mutual Aid

*Unit responses

· Offic responses	
Jurisdiction Units Responses	
Engine	325
Medic	478
Squad	171
Truck/Quint	109
Total:	1,083
Mutual Aid Given	
Engine	107
Medic	159
Rescue	1
Squad	45
Truck/Quint	28
Total:	340
Mutual Aid Received	
Chief	6
Engine	229
Medic	145
PIO	5
Total:	385

Truck Report

T33 recorded 109 responses in City of Palm Desert from 06/01/2025 to 06/25/2025

Significant Incidents

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2024

PREPARED BY: Pedro Rodriguez, Code Compliance Supervisor

SUBJECT: MAY-JUNE 2025 CODE COMPLIANCE ACTIVITY REPORT

RECOMMENDATION:

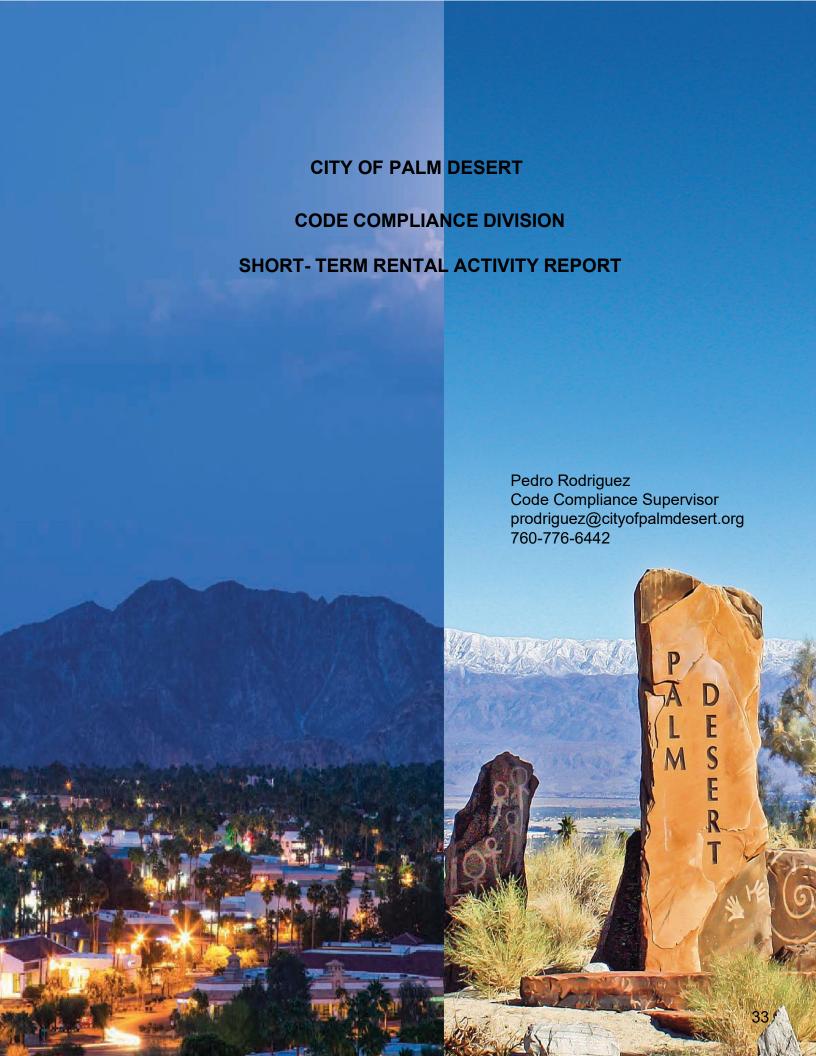
Receive and file the May-June 2025 Code Compliance Activity Report

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

The attached report provides details regarding the types of calls handled by the code compliance division during this reporting period.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Cover page
- 2. Code Compliance Activity Report
- 3. Citation Activity Chart





Code Compliance Division

SHORT-TERM RENTAL ACTIVITY REPORT

Monthly Report Details:

This reporting period will reflect proactive patrols and investigations for May and June 2025

The Code Compliance swing shift officer performed 1319 routine proactive patrols, including monitoring short-term rental properties and responding to complaints regarding short-term rental violations. He performed and responded to 55 routine and after-hours code compliance complaints. During this reporting period, one citation was issued for operating a short-term rental property without a valid permit. No citations issued for operational violations. No citations for code compliance violations.

Total Inspections:

Routine Proactive STR inspections:	1319
Code Compliance Routine After-hours Complaints:	55
Total Inspections:	1374

Citations Issued:

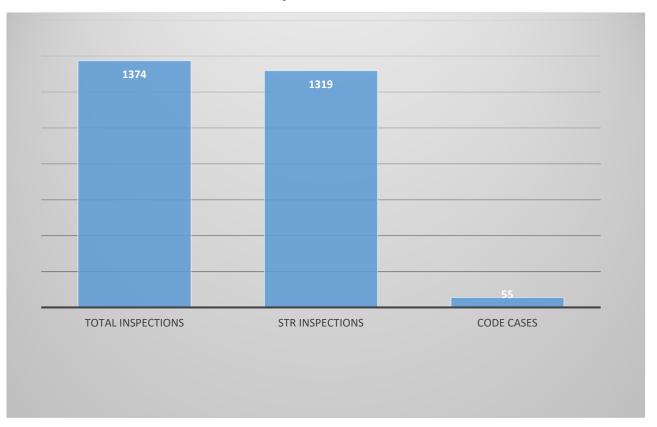
Operating without a Short-term Rental Permit:	1
Unruly Gathering/Noise Disturbance:	0
No Onsite Owner:	0
Occupancy Violation (minimum number of days):	0
Occupancy Violation (maximum number of guests):	0
Failure to Respond within 30 Minutes:	0
Failure to Renew Short-Term Rental Permit:	0
Failure to Remove Waste Container/Debris:	0
Other Operational Violations:	0
Other Citations:	0
Total Citations Issued:	0

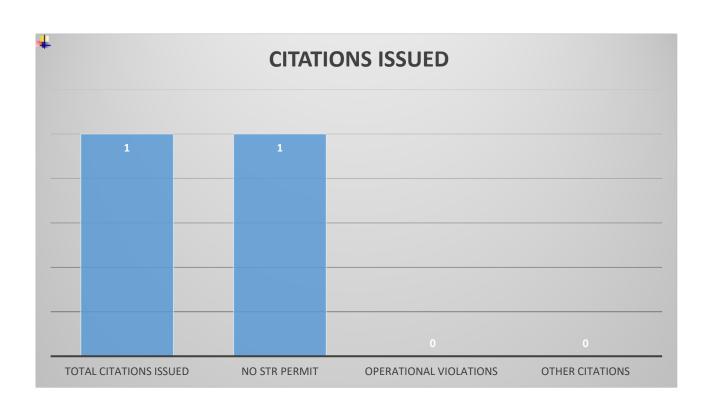
Short-Term Rental Citations and Fines:

Citations issued:	1
Fines issued:	\$5,000
Fines Collected:	\$5,000

Notes:

May- June 2025





PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2025

PREPARED BY: Daniel Hurtado, Public Safety Analyst

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR REPORT

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve the report for the months of May and June 2025.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

Emergency Services Coordinator Report for May and June 2025.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Emergency Services Coordinator Report May and June 2025.



Emergency Services Division

MONTHLY SERVICE REPORT

Reporting Period: May & June 2025

City Internal Activities

Flock Safety Cameras

- Working with Flock Safety on the implementation of 44 new cameras.

Fire Hazard Severity Zone Maps

- Council Approved and adopted

Fire Contract Renewed

Palm Desert Hosting Emergency Managers

EOC Training For Directors

Emergency Management Supplies Procured

Stop the Bleed Kits Installed

Cooling Centers Established

City Training Initiatives

FEMA Incident Command System (ICS) Training

-Ongoing support is being provided to assist new staff in completing ICS 100, 200, and 700 courses.

First Aid / CPR / Narcan Training

-Training efforts remain ongoing and continue to be offered citywide as part of preparedness and health and safety protocols.

Active Shooter Response

-The City is evaluating additional sessions and resources for active shooter response training as part of its workplace violence prevention efforts.

Grant Activity Update

Federal Earmarks - FY 2026

- Senator Alex Padilla has selected the City's Emergency Resiliency Plan request for federal funding in the amount of \$843,000.
- Congressman Ken Calvert has selected the Cook Street Bridge project for federal funding in the amount of \$5,670,544.

State & Federal Grant Updates

- California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant: Awarded \$120,800 to support public safety initiatives.
- Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG): Application submitted; awaiting determination.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2025

PREPARED BY: Michelle Nance, Sr. Deputy Clerk

SUBJECT: CITIZEN ON PATROL (COP) MAY 2025 REPORTS

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the COP reports for the month of May 2025.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

Citizens on Patrol reports for the month of May 2025.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

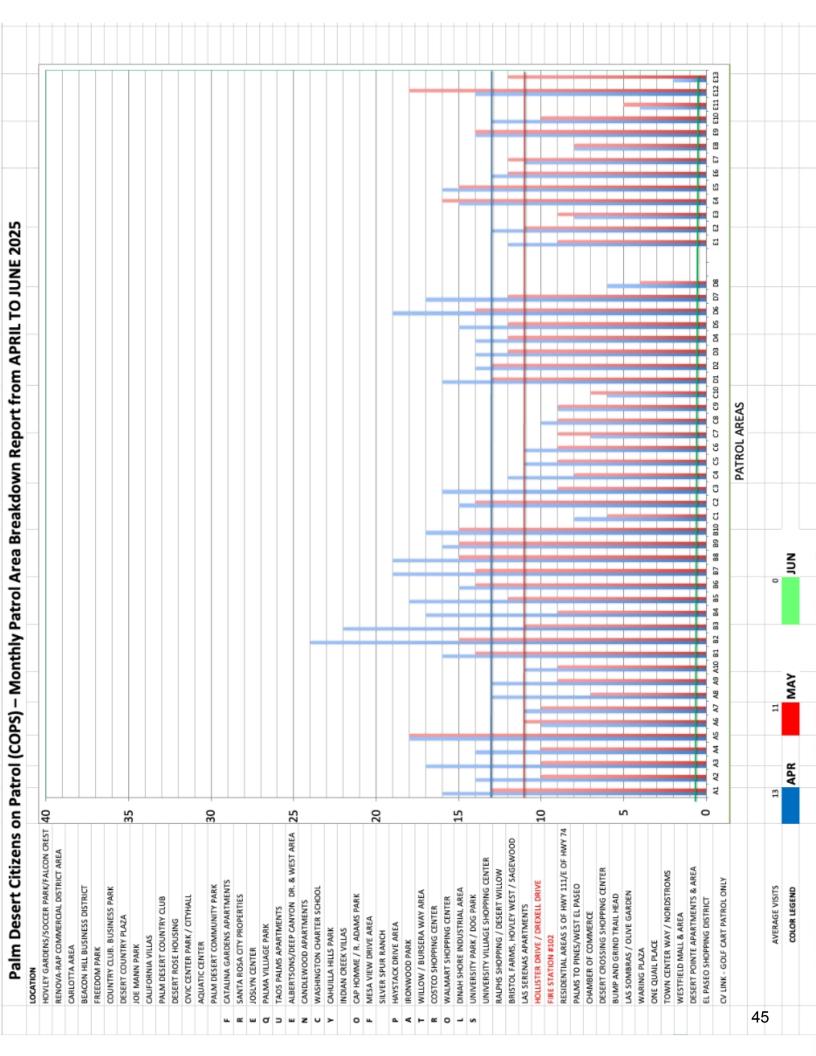
There is no financial impact associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. COP Reports for May 2025.

PALM DESERT CITIZENS ON PATROL (COP) MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF: MAY 2025

	MANPOWER AND INCIDENT PREPORT			PREVIOUS MONTH'S ACTIVITY	ACTIVITY CHANGE		2024 YEAR-TO-DATE*	2025 YEAR-TO-DATE	YEAR/YEAR %	YEAR/YEAR % CHANGE	
. Total Hou	rs Patrolled (Patrols are usually 4-6 hours):		2588	514	547	6.42%	3235	-20%			
Total Nur	mber of Patrols Conducted:		177	48	32	-33.33%	327	209		-36%	
3. Numbers of Members in Program:				20	20 0.00% 29 20				-31%	5	
Requests	Received from Sheriff's Dept. Dispatch for Assistance:		32	6	2	2 -66.67% 20 34				70%	
Number	of Incidents Responded to From Scanner and Via Obse	rvation:	52	13	13 3 -76.92% 92 55				-40%		
Number	of Incidents Reported to Sheriff's Dept. For Action:		14	4	4 3 -25.00% 28 17				-39%		
Number	of Incidents Reported to City For Action:		31	4	11 175.00% 208 42				-80%		
+ D. = Tot	al Number of Incidents Reported to City, Sheriff, etc.:		45	8	14	75.00%	236	59	-75%	5	
Number	of Citations Issued / Yellow Warning Citations Issued:		39	1	. 4	300.00%	164	43	-74%	5	
	of Flyers/Posters/Banners Removed from City areas:		63	4	10	150.00%	136	73	-46%	5	
Total CO	PS Requests Received From Dispatch:	2	#							#	
i	Traffic Control Assistance for Accidents		1	iii		istance for Road Debris:				0	
II	Traffic Control Assistance for Disabled Vehicle		1	iv	Request for Water					0	
Total CO	PS Incidents Responded to from Scanner Observation:	3	#							#	
i	Traffic Control Assistance for Accidents		2	v	Back Up Cal Fire:					0	
ii	Traffic Control Assistance for Disabled Vehicle		0	vi	Responded But Not Needed:					1	
III	Traffic Control Assistance for Road Debris		0	vii	Other:						
iv	Back Up Motor Officer (CSO)		0	viii							
Number (of Incidents Reported to Sheriff's Dept. For Action:	3	#							#	
i	Suspicious Person		1	iv	Debris In Road:					1	
ii	Suspicious/Disabled Vehicle		1	v	Citizen Flag Down:					0	
iii Traffic Accident			0	vi	Other: Traffic Signa	Other: Traffic Signal Broken					
). Number of Incidents Reported to City For Action:		11	#							#	
i	Code Violations		0	iv	Hazmat					0	
ii	Graffiti		3	v	Other: Automatic gate open at the Yard					0	
iii	Shopping Carts		8	vi	Abandoned Furnit	ure				0	
Number o	of Citations/Yellow Courtesy Warnings Given:	4	#							#	
i	Citations: ONLY SGT'S OR LT'S CAN GIVE CITATIONS		0	ii	Yellow Courtesy W	/arnings: ALL MEMBERS CA	N GIVE THESE			4	
Number o	of Flyers/Posters/Banners Removed from City areas:	10			, in the second					#	
i Flyers/Poster/Banners			10	ii	Garage Door Open					0	
6. Vacation Home Check Program:		0	#							#	
i Vacation Homes In Program During the Month			0	ii	Vacation Home Ch	ecks Done During the Mon	th:			0	
I. Special Evens:		7	#							#	
i	Concerts in the Park		5	ii	Man Down					0	
ii	Shredding Event		2	ii						0	
Major Eve	ents and/or Incidents:	0	#							#	
i	Gate Vandalized		0	III	Come across disab	led vehicle attended by CS	O & Deputy			0	
ii	Handicapped Parking Sign		0	iv						0	
. Manpower Utilized During the Month / Members Stats			#							#	
i	Total Hours Patrolled During Month	547	547	iv	Volunteer Applica	tions Received for the Mon	th/ In Progress:			3	
ii	Total Number of Patrols Conducted During Month	32	32	v	Number of Members in Training:						
iii	Current Members in The Program	20	20	vi	Dumping of Misc Items						
Other:	·	0	#							#	
- 1	Trash & Homeless		0	iii	Abandoned vehicl	e				0	
			0	iv	Animal Control Co					0	



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2025

PREPARED BY: Daniel Hurtado, Public Safety Analyst

SUBJECT: SAFETY STICK PILOT PROGRAM – REQUEST FOR STUDY SESSION

WITH CITY COUNCIL

RECOMMENDATION:

Review the proposed Safety Stick pilot program and provide a recommendation to move forward with scheduling a study session before the City Council for further consideration.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

The City of Palm Desert continuously seeks innovative tools to improve public safety, compliance, and traffic management. The Innovation Subcommittee has reviewed the Safety Stick concept and recommended its presentation to the full Public Safety Committee.

The Safety Stick is a solar-powered, cellular, radar-based enforcement platform designed to improve parking compliance and public safety in high-risk zones such as crosswalks, fire lanes, school zones, bus stops, and loading areas. The system leverages SentryLink technology for remote enforcement, providing real-time monitoring and citation issuance.

Since 2012, the vendor, MPS, has developed and implemented similar technology solutions across more than 50 cities nationwide, managing over 250,000 parking spaces and overseeing tens of millions of parking sessions annually. MPS maintains more than 47 defensible patents and offers a comprehensive support system, including installation, equipment, software, maintenance, and training at no cost to the city.

Key features of the Safety Stick program include:

- Solar-powered, cellular, radar-based parking compliance technology
- Remote enforcement capability
- Ideal for use in critical safety areas such as school zones, crosswalks, bus stops, and fire lanes
- Easy installation and minimal maintenance
- Revenue-sharing model
- MPS provides equipment, shipping, installation, maintenance, and collection services

Staff believes that a study session with the City Council would be beneficial to further explore:

Policy considerations and legal requirements for automated enforcement

- · Community impacts and outreach strategies
- Financial projections and cost-benefit analysis

The Safety Stick could potentially enhance public safety by reducing illegal parking behaviors that obstruct visibility or emergency access, and by promoting safer environments for pedestrians and schoolchildren.

If the Public Safety Committee recommends moving forward, staff will coordinate scheduling a study session with the City Council to allow for a more comprehensive review and public input on the Safety Stick pilot program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

At this stage, there are no fiscal impacts beyond staff time to coordinate the study session. If the City Council directs staff to proceed with a pilot implementation, a detailed fiscal analysis will be provided at that time.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Presentation

CITY OF PALM DESERT ATTENDANCE REPORT

Advisory Body: _	Public Safety Committee
Prepared By:	Monique Lomeli

	Year	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2025	2025	2025	2025		Total
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Alley, Jeff		Р	Р	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Е	Р	1	0
Butts, Joseph		Р	Р	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	0	0
Kramer, Terry		Р	Р	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Е	Р	Р	1	0
Luhring, Douglas		Р	Р	-	-	Р	Е	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	1	0
Nelson, Stephen		Р	Р	-	-	Р	Е	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	1	0
Taylor, Frank		Р	Р	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	0	0
Wahlstrom, Kevir	1	Р	Р	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	0	0

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P Present

A Absent

E Excused

- No meeting