

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
CITY OF PALM DESERT
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

January 21, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

Present: Committee Member Joseph Butts, Vice Chair Terry Kramer,
Committee Member Douglas Luhring, Committee Member
Stephen Nelson, Committee Member Frank Taylor, Chair Kevin
Wahlstrom, Committee Member Jeff Alley

Staff Present: Assistant City Manager Chris Escobedo, Public Safety Analyst
Daniel Hurtado, Recording Secretary Erika Castellano

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Committee was called to order by Chair Wahlstrom on January 21, 2025, 3:30 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

Brad Anderson - Rancho Mirage resident

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.a HAYSTACK ROAD TRAFFIC CALMING PROJECT

Project Manager Ennis narrated a PowerPoint presentation and provided an update on the Haystack Road Traffic Calming Project. No formal action was taken on this item.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

To approve the consent calendar as presented.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

5.a APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

Approve the Minutes of December 10, 2024.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

5.b PALM DESERT SPECIALIZED UNITS REPORT

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

Approve the report for the month of December 2024.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

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

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

Approve the report for the month of December 2024.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

5.d CODE COMPLIANCE REPORT

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

Approve the report for the month of December 2024.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

5.e EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR MONTHLY REPORT

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

Approve the report for the month of December 2024.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

5.f COP MONTHLY REPORT

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

Approve the report for the month of December 2024.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

5.g AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER SHARED NETWORK INFORMATION REPORT

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Alley

Approve the report for the month of December 2024.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

6. CONSENT ITEMS HELD OVER

None.

7. ACTION CALENDAR

7.a UPDATE ON COOLING AND WARM CENTERS, SHELTERS, AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON PURCHASING AND INSTALLING AN EMERGENCY GENERATOR FOR THE PALM DESERT COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING

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

Don Zeigler, resident of Palm Desert, spoke in favor of the cooling and warm centers.

Motion by: Chair Wahlstrom

Seconded by: Committee Member Luhring

Provided feedback on the City's Cooling and Warming Centers.

Motion Carried (7 to 0)

7.b DEVELOPMENT OF 2025 WORKPLAN

Assistant City Manager Escobedo provided information on the Public Safety 2025 workplan and responded to Committee Member inquiries. No formal action taken on this item.

8. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS & COMMENTS

8.a PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

8.b CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

None.

8.c POLICE/FIRE

8.c.1 POLICE

Lieutenant Porras of Riverside County Sheriff's Department provided an update on Proposition 36 and responded to member inquiries.

8.c.2 FIRE

None.

8.d CITY STAFF

8.d.1 FLOCK SAFETY CAMERA SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE

Public Safety Analyst Hurtado provided an update on the Flock Safety Camera Subcommittee and responded to member inquiries.

8.e ATTENDANCE REPORT

Report provided; no action taken on this item.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Public Safety Committee adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erika Castellano, Sr. Administrative Assistant
Recording Secretary

Chris Escobedo, Assistant City Manager
Secretary

APPROVED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE