

**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

Monique M. Lomeli, Senior Deputy Clerk
Recording Secretary

Richard Cannone, Assistant City Manager
Secretary

APPROVED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE