

**CUPERTINO PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, January 11, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
City Hall, 10300 Torre Avenue**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shan called to order this Cupertino Public Safety Commission meeting at 6:07 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2024.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Chair Eric Shan
 Vice Chair Tiffany Wang
 Lakshminarasimha Ankireddipally
 (Commissioner ALN)

Commissioners Absent: Bobby Toda
 Rohan Pandit (Arrived 6:13 pm, left at 7:06)

Staff Present: Captain Neil Valenzuela, Santa Clara County Sheriff's
 Office
 Lieutenant Ryan McGuire, Santa Clara County Sheriff's
 Office
 Deputy Chief Hector Estrada, Santa Clara County Fire
 Department
 Tom Chin, Emergency Manager, City of Cupertino
 Meredith Albert, Emergency Management Analyst, City of
 Cupertino

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Subject: Minutes from Nov 9, 2023
 Recommended Action: Approve minutes from Nov 9, 2023
 Commissioner ALN motioned to approve the minutes; Commissioner Wang seconded the motion; Ayes: ALN, Wang, Shan. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Toda, Pandit.

POSTPONEMENTS

None

ORAL COMMUNICATION

None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

None

OLD BUSINESS

2. Subject: Public Safety Forum
Recommended Action: Receive an updated report on the Public Safety Forum
Presenter: Tom Chin

The format for the 2024 Public Safety Forum, which will be held on October 17, 2024, was discussed. Emergency Manager Chin suggested changing the presentation-style format to a town hall-style meeting with a panel that includes the elected sheriff, the appointed county fire chief, and the city manager. It was recommended that the Commission consider inviting a superintendent from a local school district to participate.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Subject: Discuss City Council Work Program Items for 2024
Recommended Action: Recommend City Council Work Program Items for 2024
Presenter: Tom Chin

Commissioners reviewed the 2024 City Work Program Recommendations. Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office liaison Captain Valenzuela answered clarifying questions about the current state of crime in the commercial area and the context for the gun storage ordinance in Cupertino. Captain Valenzuela explained that the County has a safe gun storage ordinance applicable to unincorporated areas.

Chair Shan asked commissioners to consider reaffirming three priority items. ALN motioned to reaffirm existing public safety in commercial and residential areas. Chair Shan seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: ALN, Wang, Shan, Pandit. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Toda, Pandit.

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS

4. Subject: Report by the Santa Clara County Fire District
Recommended Action: Receive a report by the Santa Clara County Fire District Liaison
Presenter: Deputy Fire Chief Hector Estrada

Deputy Chief Estrada reviewed the November and December Santa Clara County Fire

District reports. Deputy Chief Estrada reviewed the total number of responses for 2023, highlighting that total call volume continues trending up 3% annually. Incident response was examined for each month. The dollar amount for fire damage in December was unusually high based on a single-structure fire involving a multi-unit residential complex. Deputy Chief Estrada indicated that the Fire District is considering revising the Public Safety Commission Reports format.

5. Subject: Report by the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office
Recommended Action: Receive a report by the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office Liaison
Presenter: Captain Neil Valenzuela and Watch Commander Lt. Ryan McGuire

Captain Valenzuela indicated that the Sheriff's Office hired a new Communications Specialist to help facilitate information sharing between the Sheriff's Office and the community. Captain Valenzuela reviewed the ways emergency calls are classified and summarized. The prioritization scheme (1-3) helps to characterize the urgency of different calls. Captain Valenzuela highlighted increased crimes classified as commercial burglaries or identity theft in 2023 over the past years. Offenses classified as residential burglary, vehicle burglary, or grand theft have decreased over the same period.

6. Subject: Report by the City of Cupertino
Recommended Action: Receive a report by the City of Cupertino Staff Liaison
Presenter: Meredith Albert

Meredith Albert indicated that the County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is still under review by the State and needs to be reviewed by FEMA before returning for presentation to the Public Safety Commission. Meredith Albert reviewed the 2023- 2024 EOC staff training and exercise program.

7. Subject: Block Leader and Cupertino Citizen Corps Program Review
Recommended Action: Receive a Presentation on Block Leader and Citizen Corps
Presenter: Meredith Albert

Meredith Albert reviewed the status of the Neighbor-to-Neighbor grant awarded to the Block Leader program by CalVolunteers. Meredith Albert reviewed the status of the Block Leader REACH program for 2023.

8. Subject: Commissioner's Reports
Recommended Action: Receive Commissioners' reports

FUTURE AGENDA SETTING

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Shan adjourned the Public Safety Commission meeting at 7:29 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Thomas Chin

Staff Liaison to the Public Safety

Commission

Emergency Services Coordinator

City of Cupertino

Approval date

APPROVED BY:

Thomas Chin, Staff Liaison Date