

**CUPERTINO PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, November 14, 2024 6:00 p.m.
City Hall, 10300 Torre Avenue**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bobby Toda called to order this meeting of the Cupertino Public Safety Commission at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Bobby Toda
Neal Evans
Sidharth Rajaram

Commissioners Absent: Nirnalendu Das

Staff Present: Captain Neil Valenzuela, Santa Clara County Sheriff's
Office
Chief Hector Estrada
Tom Chin, Emergency Manager, City of Cupertino

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Subject: Minutes from September 12, 2024
Recommended Action: Approve minutes from September 12, 2024
Commissioner Evans motioned to approve the minutes; Commissioner Rajaram seconded the motion; Ayes: Evans, Rajaram, and Toda. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Das.

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 2024 Public Safety Forum was reviewed. The event was held on October 17, 2024. Mr. Chin reviewed the program and structure for the event.

Commissioners provided feedback and asked questions. Commissioners additionally offered recommendations for future forums and expressed pleasure with outcome.

Deputy Chief Estrada and Captain Valenzuela also provided feedback and support for the new model of the forum.

Chair Toda opened the public comment period, and the following members of the public spoke.

None

Vice Chair Rajaram motioned to receive the updated report on the Public Safety Forum; Chair Toda seconded the motion; Ayes: Evans, Rajaram, and Toda. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Das.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Subject: Talk Saves Lives - presentation by American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
Recommended Action: Receive presentation on Talk Saves Lives by American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
Presenter: Yvonne Murray

Yvonne Murray from the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention provided the Talk Saves Lives presentation. Commissioners asked clarifying questions. Ms. Murray answered questions.

Chair Toda opened public comment and the following members of the public spoke:

- Karen Pandula spoke on behalf of the Silicon Valley Alliance for Gun Safety in support of the presentation

Commissioner Evans motioned to receive the presentation on Talk Save Lives by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention; Vice Chair Rajaram seconded the motion; Ayes: Evans, Rajaram, and Toda. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Das.

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

Presenter: Deputy Fire Chief Hector Estrada

Deputy Chief Estrada reviewed the September and October 2024 Santa Clara County Fire District reports. Incident response was reviewed for each month. Commissioners asked clarifying questions. Deputy Chief Estrada provided responses.

Chair Toda opened the public comment period, and the following members of the public spoke.

None

Chair Toda closed the public comment period.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to receive the report by the Santa Clara County Fire Department. Vice Chair Rajaram seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes: Evans, Rajaram, and Toda. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Das.

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

Captain Valenzuela reviewed the September and October 2024 crime data. Captain Valenzuela reviewed call volumes and response times. Commissioners asked clarifying questions. Captain Valenzuela provided responses.

Chair Toda opened the public comment period, and the following members of the public spoke.

None

Chair Toda closed the public comment period.

Vice Chair Rajaram made a motion to receive the report by the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office. Chair Toda seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes: Evans, Rajaram, and Toda. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Das.

6. Subject: Report by the City of Cupertino Office of Emergency Management
Recommended Action: Receive a report by the City of Cupertino Office of Emergency Management
Presenter: Tom Chin, Emergency Manager, City of Cupertino

Tom Chin reviewed the Office of Emergency Management's current planning,

preparedness, training, and exercise efforts, including the recent City Council adoption of the Automated License Plate Reader Policy and the Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mr. Chin detailed recent exercises with the Cupertino Citizen Corps. Mr. Chin The Commissioners asked clarifying questions. Mr. Chin provided responses.

Chair Toda opened the public comment period, and the following members of the public spoke.

None

Chair Toda closed the public comment period.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to receive the report by the Office of Emergency Management. Vice Chair Rajaram seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes: Evans, Rajaram, and Toda. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Das.

7. Subject: Commissioner's Reports

Recommended Action: Receive Commissioners' reports

Chair Toda attended the City Council meeting on October 1, 2024 in support of the ALPR Policy and MJHMP. Chair Toda also shared the Mayor's meeting in November.

Commissioner Evans shared his experience as a Block Leader and hosting a community event. Commissioner Evans detailed that approximately 20 neighbors attended. Commissioner Evans shared two personal experiences with public safety and emphasized that all residents need to be vigilant for public safety.

Vice Chair Rajaram shared his experience participating in the annual Cupertino Citizen Corps emergency exercise.

FUTURE AGENDA SETTING

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bobby Toda adjourned the Public Safety Commission meeting at 7:47 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Thomas Chin
Staff Liaison to the Public Safety Commission
Emergency Manager
City of Cupertino

APPROVED BY:

Thomas Chin, Staff Liaison Date