CUPERTINO PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Friday October 11, 2019, 5:30 p.m.
Cupertino City Hall, Conference Room A

CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chair McCoy called to order this special meeting of the Cupertino Public Safety Commission at approximately 5:32 pm on Friday October 11, 2019 in the Cupertino City Hall, Conference Room A, located at 10300 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, California 95014.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Present: Robert McCoy
Neha Sahai
Hymanand Nellore
Yvonne Chao
Andy Huang

Commissioner Absent: None

Staff Present: Captain Rich Urena, Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office
Battalion Chief Wally Fink, Santa Clara County Fire District

Others Present: Katy Nomura, Assistant to the City Manager
Astrid Robles, City of Cupertino
Leslie Zeller, Santa Clara County Public Health (via telephone)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Subject: Approve September 12, 2019 Minutes
   Recommended Action: Approval of the September 12, 2019 Minutes

   Commissioner Nellore motioned to approve minutes of the September 12, 2019 meeting; Commissioner Sahai seconded the motion; Ayes: Huang, McCoy, Chao, Sahai, Nellore. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None

POSTPONEMENTS

None

ORAL COMMUNICATION

None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

None

OLD BUSINESS

2. Subject: Discuss policy options to prevent youth access to tobacco products, including flavored tobacco products, and to reduce the density of tobacco retailers.
Recommended Action: Recommend that Council adopt the proposed tobacco policies to prevent youth access to tobacco products.

Ms. Nomura gave a presentation on tobacco and a draft policy of preventing youth access to tobacco products. The businesses that are located around schools have all been contacted and are aware of the new policies which include a $425.00 yearly permit fee. Ms. Zeller shared that the government does not set an amount of how much tobacco inventory can be held on hand at any given time.

The teen commission has requested a 1500 foot buffer for any new retailer to be opened around a school zone. At the current time the schools have been very supported of this proposal.

Under this draft city policy, if a retailer is caught selling tobacco to an under aged person they will be fined for a 30 day period. If they are caught again they can lose their permit to sell tobacco.

After a discussion amongst the commission, Commissioner Huang explained that the city could fund the program ($10,000) without requiring business owners to pay the $425 annual permit fee as businesses are already paying a fee to the state. He explained that the small business owners would be affected the most.

Commissioner Sahai motioned to recommend that Council adopt the proposed tobacco policies to prevent youth access to tobacco products. Commissioner Chao seconded the motion; Ayes: McCoy, Chao, Sahai, Nellore. Noes: None. Abstain: Huang. Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

None

STAFF AND COMMISSION REPORTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Commission Chair McCoy adjourned the meeting at 6:02 pm

NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:
Veronica Lara
West Valley Patrol Division
Santa Clara County Office of the Sheriff
October 28, 2019

APPROVED BY:

RM

Robert McCoy Chair

11/14/19

Date