

**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING**

Thursday, February 28, 2019
EOC/Classroom
Fire Station 1
121 W. Carrillo St.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: 4:00 pm

Present: Commissioners: Daniel, Rodriguez and Stedman

Absent: Commissioners: Christensen and Parker

Staff Present: Fire Chief Eric Nickel, Operations Division Chief Lee Waldron, Police Chief Lori Luhnnow, City Attorney John Doimas, Councilmember Oscar Gutierrez, Battalion Chief Chris Mailes, Public Engagement Manager Anthony Wagner, Police Technician Elizabeth Scott, and Executive Assistant Rosie Calvillo

2. Proclamation:

Firefighters Mike Hoose, Jeff Zampese, Phil Faulding, Jason Fernandez, Matt Hayes, Alex Kargbo, and Public Safety Dispatchers Latisha Boyd and Devyn Johnson were publicly recognized for 6 cardiac arrest saves. Police Officers Adrian Gutierrez and Bryan Kerr were honored by the local hero's awards. Combined Communications Center was honored for their response to the Thomas Fire as first responders.

3. Changes to Agenda:

None

4. Approval of Minutes of January 24, 2019

MOTION: Stedman moved to approve minutes of January 24, 2019. Rodriguez seconded.

VOTE: Unanimous voice vote.

5. Public Comment (Total Time 10 minutes)

Jose Arturo Gallegos, Anna Marie Gott and Natalia Govoni

Anna Marie Gott, Board Member of LA Neighborhood Association. Concerned about Catering Company/Event Center that wants to open on Garden Street next door to 9 units of residential housing with no parking. They want to remove the parking that is for the residential building and use it as a dance floor. A dance permit was not applied to the project. She would like to advocate that if you are going to have a dance permit it needs to be issued for indoors.

Jose Arturo Gallegos, resident of the Victoria Hotel, has been there since 2015. American Dance and Music is next door to the Victoria Hotel, the music is bothering residents and he is here to voice his concerns for himself and the other residents.

6. Subcommittee Reports

None

7. Old Business: Commissioners may ask questions for clarification, refer to staff for factual information or make brief reports or announcements.

Stedman asked for the procedure on how to agendaize an item. Daniel explained it to him.

8. New Business: Commissioners may ask questions for clarification, refer to staff for factual information, or make brief reports or announcements.

None

9. Approve the formation of a sub-committee to explore the concept outreach by Commission

Deferred to March meeting when Commissioner Parker is present.

10. Review of scope and effectiveness of dance permits issued under the Santa Barbara Municipal Code and brief overview of potentially creating an entertainment permit and some proposed regulations that might fall under the permit.

Anthony Wagner, Public Engagement Manager and Elizabeth Scott, Police Technician, presented a power point on dance permits regulations and occupancy. In the City of Santa Barbara there are currently 15 dance permit locations and 2 are delinquent. There are about 126 different entertainment locations in downtown Santa Barbara. Only 15 of the 126 locations have a preauthorized space on which to dance.

Fire Chief Nickel spoke about the fire code on occupancy limits and fire sprinkler ordinance.

11. Monthly Fire Chief's Report:

- Met with Commissioners Christensen and Daniel
- Would like to apply for the Helen Putnam Award (acknowledges best practices in a variety of fields)
- 20 different groups met to talk about what kind of Spanish communication they would like to receive from the City for emergency preparedness and disaster messaging
- Liliana is doing weekly talk shows on two Spanish radio stations, Radio Bronco and La Musical
- City has a phone line to get updated information
- The Independent will be putting out an insert in Spanish on disaster preparedness (translated by Liliana)
- During Budget Fire will request to purchase a data and performance collection dashboard and money for Fire Academy due to retirements
- Remodel of Station 7
- Monthly statistics

12. Monthly Police Chief's Report:

- 2% increase in violent crime
- Property crime was reduced by 30%
- Social media has been successful
- Communications Manager position is still vacant

- 59,269 contacts, use of force was used in 150 incidents
- The Wrap Device is being used, is a lower body straight jacket that takes the fight out of combative individuals and protects the Officers
- 22 incidents that we deployed the Wrap Device
- 322 reports that charged resisting arrest and charge on Officers
- New technology in the process, Location Alerting System, CAD 2 Image Trend Interface and Countywide Mapping Update

13. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned 6:11 p.m.