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#### CITY OF SAN FERNANDO

## Transportation and Public Safety Commission Regular Meeting Agenda Summary Wednesday, July 6, 2022 – 6:00 PM

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER

117 MACNEIL STREET

SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA 91340

TELECONFERENCE – PURSUANT TO PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL 361

#### SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING COVID-19

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Meeting ID: 841 9039 6534

**Passcode: 323371** 

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#### **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Recommend that the Transportation and Public Safety Commission approve the agenda as presented.

#### **DECORUM AND ORDER**

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#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be disposed of by a single motion to adopt staff recommendation. If the Transportation and Public Safety Commission wishes to discuss any item, it should first be removed from the Consent Calendar.

# 1) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISION MEETING MINUTES FOR:

1. June 1, 2022 – Regular Meeting

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

#### 1. NOTABLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES FOR JUNE 2022

Recommend that the Transportation and Public Safety Commission receive and file this informational report.

#### STAFF COMMUNICATION

- 1. Gas Company Project Updates
- 2. Infiltration Project Updates
- 3. Upper Reservoir Project Updates
- 4. Police Department Updates

#### **GENERAL COMMISSION COMMENTS**



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**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting will adjourn to its next regular meeting.

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Maria Padilla

**Executive Assistant** 

Signed and Posted: June 30, 2022 (2:30 p.m.)

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# CITY OF SAN FERNANDO TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JUNE 1, 2022 ZOOM MEETING STREAMED ON YOUTUBE

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION. VIDEO AND AUDIO OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING AT: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/CityOfSanFernando">https://www.youtube.com/c/CityOfSanFernando</a>

#### **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chair Rudy Trujillo called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Executive Assistant, Maria Padilla, called the roll call.

The following persons were recorded as present:

#### **PRESENT:**

Chair Rudy Trujillo, Vice Chair Adriana Gomez, Commissioners Dee Akemon, and Francisco Arrizon

#### **ABSENT:**

Commissioner Nicole Mohr

#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Director of Public Works Matt Baumgardner, Chief of Police Fabian Valdez, Lieutenant Irwin Rosenberg, and Executive Assistant Maria Padilla

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Gomez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Vice Chair Gomez motioned to approve the agenda for the June 1, 2022 Transportation and Public Safety Commission meeting. Commissioner Akemon seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

AYES: D. Akemon, F. Arrizon, A. Gomez, and R. Trujillo - 4

NOES: None ABSENT: N. Mohr - 1

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ABSTAIN: None

#### **PUBLIC STATEMENTS – WRITTEN/ORAL**

Laurel Rodriguez (619 Harding Ave.)- spoke regarding traffic issue on Harding between Firth Street and Glenoaks Blvd.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Vice Chair Gomez motioned to approve the Consent Calendar approving the Minutes of the April 6, 2022 Transportation and Safety Commission Meeting. Commissioner Akemon seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

AYES: D. Akemon, F. Arrizon, A. Gomez, and R. Trujillo - 4

NOES: None

ABSENT: N. Mohr - 1

ABSTAIN: None

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- 1. UPDATE ON TRAFFIC STUDIES ON HARDING AVENUE BETWEEN FIFTH STREET AND GLENOAKS BLVD Director of Public Works Matt Baumgardner provided update and reported that location does not meet speed requirements. Staff recommended the installation of speed bumps due to volume.
- 2. UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF BODY WORN CAMERAS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

   Lieutenant Rosenberg provided update and responded to questions from the Commission.
- **3. NOTABLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES FOR MAY 2022** Chief of Police Fabian Valdez gave his staff report and responded to questions from the Commission.
- **4.** PRESENTATION OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT POLICY AS REQURIED BY ASSEMBLY BILL 481 Lieutenant Rosenberg presented the item and responded to questions from the Commission.

#### **STAFF COMMUNICATION**

- **5. GAS COMPANY PROJECT UPDATES** Director of Public Works Matt Baumgardner provided updates on the Gas Company projects.
- **6. INFILTRATION PROJECT UPDATES** Mr. Baumgardner provided update.



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- **7. PICO STREET PROJECT UPDATES** Mr. Baumgardner provided update and inform the Commission that the pavement has been completed.
- **8. POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES** Chief of Police Fabian Valdez informed the Commission of upcoming Chat with the Chief tentative scheduled to take place on June 18, 2022.

#### **GENERAL COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioner Arrizon thanked staff for the preparation of reports.

Commissioner Akemon stated she is excited about the Commission responsibilities and invited everyone to the upcoming Neighborhood Watch meeting.

Vice Chair Gomez thanked the Police department for attending the San Fernando Mall Street Fair events and invited everyone to the June 25<sup>th</sup> event.

Chair Trujillo called for a moment of silence in remembrance of victims of the Uvalde School Shooting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Transportation and Public Safety Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.







### AGENDA REPORT

**To:** Chair Rudy Trujillo and Commissioners

From: Fabian Valdez, Chief of Police

**Date:** July 6, 2022

**Subject:** June 2022 Notable Police Department Activities

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Transportation and Public Safety Commission receive and file this informational report.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

On June 1, 2022, the Transportation and Public Safety (TPS) Commission expanded its role and will now provide a venue for City staff to present police related information to the public.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

The San Fernando Police Department (SFPD) has recently heightened and further integrated its community profile in three major areas: Community Engagement, Proactive Enforcement, and Quality-of-Life Enhancement.

In the month of June, the San Fernando Police Department engaged in the following significant activities:

#### **Community Engagement:**

- 1. On June 18, 2022, a Chat-With-The-Chief was held at Fiesta Furniture in the Mall District.
- 2. On June 24, 2022, the Chief of Police administered the oath of office to the 2022 incoming San Fernando Chamber of Commerce Board at Bodevi Wine and Espresso Bar (909 San Fernando Rd., San Fernando).
- 3. On June 26, 2022, the Chief of Police attended the monthly 50+ Club at the American Legion Hall where he discussed recent police activity and fielded questions from attendees.

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4. On June 29, 2022, the Chief hosted a Special Chat-With-The-Chief at Las Palmas Park in an effort to engage the residents in the neighborhoods surrounding the Park.

#### **Proactive Enforcement:**

- 1. On Monday, June 6, 2022, SFPD officers contacted a male subject drinking an alcoholic beverage in public on the bike path. The subject was arrested for having two warrants.
- 2. On Thursday, June 9, 2022, at about 0245 hours, SFPD officers walked a foot-beat on the bike path and saw a male adult riding a bicycle. The officers conducted an enforcement stop for a Vehicle Code violation on the bicyclist and later located a loaded firearm in his front waistband. Officers arrested the 56 year-old bicyclist for being a felon in possession of a loaded firearm, being a felon in possession of ammunition, and being in possession of an illegal controlled substance while in possession while armed.
- 3. On Monday, June 13, 2022, at about 2110 hours, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) requested the assistance of SFPD's K-9 Renz and his handler Officer Ernesto Esquivel at 23705 Vanowen St. to assist with a canine search of an attempt murder suspect that shot a CHP Officer at Laurel Canyon Blvd. and Landale St. a few hours earlier. Our K-9 team was called back the following morning to continue the search. Although not directly responsible for locating the suspect wanted in the attempt murder of a CHP officer, we are pleased and honored that we could provide this assistance to a partnering agency.
- 4. On Thursday, June 16, 2022, SFPD Detectives conducted an Alcohol Beverage Control general enforcement stop pursuant to the conditions of the 2021-2022 Grant funding. The special detail included 13 visits to local parks, the bike path and extra patrol in the Mall district. Two persons were cited for consuming alcoholic beverages in the park. One was cited for alcoholic beverage consumption on the bike path.
- 5. On Friday, June 17, 2022, SFPD Detectives conducted a general enforcement detail for 6 hours. The first half of the detail focused on tobacco use in the parks. The detail resulted in one citation to a minor for possession of vaping devices in the park. Officers also contacted several individuals in the park and educated them on local ordinances related to alcoholic beverage and tobacco product usage in our parks. This detail allowed the SFPD to increase patrols along the bike path.
  - The second half of the detail was dedicated to general enforcement related to alcoholic beverage consumption in public places. The detail resulted in the arrest of one male subject for driving under the influence of alcoholic beverages.
- 6. On Saturday, June 18, 2022, at about 2325 hours, Officers responded to reports of a shooting in the 1500 block of Knox Avenue. A male subject was found with a self-inflicted

- gunshot wound. After a thorough investigation by San Fernando Detectives and the Coroner's Office, the incident was ruled a suicide.
- 7. On Wednesday, June 21, 2022, SFPD Officers conducted an AB109 Probation Compliance Operation that resulted in one arrest of a subject for a felony narcotics related warrant.
- 8. On Wednesday, June 21, 2022, at about 0130 hours, officers conducted extra patrol on the bike path and arrested one male subject for a warrant.
- On Saturday, June 25, 2022, SFPD officers provided safety and security for the San Fernando Downtown Marketplace event. Five officers were present at the event including two deployed on bicycles and the remaining three working a foot beat within the Mall district for the event.
- 10. On Saturday, June 25, 2022, at about 1900 hours, SFPD officers received a call of a male not breathing in a vehicle at the Home Depot Parking Lot. After a thorough investigation by responding patrol officers it was determined that the subject most likely died of natural causes.
- 11. On Sunday, June 26, 2022, at about 1115 hours, Field Training Officer Jeffrey Pak and Police Officer Trainee Jason Silva conducted a stop on a reckless driver near the intersection of Fifth Street and North Maclay Avenue. The driver was unlicensed driver. The officers conducted an inventory of the vehicle prior to impound and located a loaded firearm and ammunition inside a satchel style bag. Officers also located loaded high capacity magazines. The subject, a convicted felon, was arrested for being in possession of a loaded firearm, carrying a concealed firearm (later determined to be stolen), illegal possession of ammunition by a felon, providing a false name and identification to the officers, and for a No Bail Parole Warrant. Additionally, the driver had a full extradition out-of-state warrant and was discovered to be on a Federal watch list.
- 12. On June 30, 2022, SFPD Range staff participated in the initial training to implement the new In-Veris Virtual Reality Simulator training made possible by the US Department of Justice Grant for de-escalation training. The system is now available for training SFPD personnel and in the future will be made available to provide training for key stakeholders in the community, such as our City Council, TPS Commissioners and members of the community attending our planned Community Academy.

#### **Quality of Life Enhancements:**

1. The Police Department has responded to 40 fireworks calls-for-service from June 1, to June 6, 2022 (Attachment "A"). This is a notable drop from 2020 when the Police Department responded to 236 fireworks related calls and 2021 when the Police Department responded to 49 during the same period.

2. Police Department personnel provided security for the well-attended June 25, 2022, San Fernando Mall Street Fair.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is no budget impact associated with receiving this informational report and providing comment to the City Council.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

It is recommended that the Transportation and Public Safety Commission receive and file this informational report.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

A. Fireworks Call-for-Service Map

