

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A Virtual Meeting of the City of Redondo Beach Public Safety Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Gaul at 7:27 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Couig, Gaul, Klainbaum, Lieberman

Commissioners Absent: Marninelli

Officials Present: Jason May, Fire Chief  
Shawn Freeman, Police Lieutenant  
Kyle Lofstrom, Police Officer

**B. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Vice Chair Gaul led in the Salute to the Flag.

**C. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Couig, seconded by Commissioner Klainbaum, to approve the Order of Agenda, as presented. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**D. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS - None**

**E.1. For Blue Folder documents approved at the Public Safety Commission meeting**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**F.1. Approve Affidavit of Posting**

**F.2. Approve Minutes of the Special Public Safety Commission meeting of July 19, 2021**

Motion by Commissioner Couig, seconded by Vice Chair Gaul, to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - None**

**H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NON-AGENDA ITEMS - None**

No comment

Motion by Commissioner Couig, seconded by Commissioner Klainbaum, to close Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**I. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None**

**J. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION - None**

**J.1 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **Commendation Subcommittee** – Vice Chair Gaul thanked Police Department for their service during the shooting on the Pier.

2. **Legislative Review Subcommittee - None**

3. **Quarterly Report Subcommittee - None**

4. **CERT Support and Promotion Subcommittee - None**

5. **Homeless Subcommittee**

Motion by Vice Chair Gaul, seconded by Commissioner Couig, to close Item J.1. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**J.2. DISCUSSION OF RECENT FIRE EVENTS**

Chief May began his report with numbers from July and August, July: 405 emergency calls and August: 460 emergency calls.

Power Point Presentations began, 8 Redondo Beach fire fighters were deployed; structure managing/protection in communities; Chief May was deployed 14 days; laying down fuel for the fire burn the fuel; fire breaks; helicopters dropping water. Fire fighters are call from their homes to serve 2 weeks in different parts of the state. Chief May closed his presentation and opened the floor for questions.

Commissioner Couig praised Chief May's presentation and thanked him for his service. Vice Chair Gaul asked about the duration of time to put down the fuel. Chief May responded that it is completed in a 24-hour period, 5 miles down and back up. Vice Chair Gaul followed with another question regarding the amount of material carried at one time. Chief May responded that it depends the on the distance, whatever is needed for eating and sleeping.

Commissioner Klainbaum shared his appreciation of the presentation and service.

Motion by Commissioner Couig, seconded by Commissioner Klainbaum, to close Item J.2. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**J.3. DISCUSSION OF RECENT EVENTS IN THE CITY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE**

Officer Lofstrom announced that the City Prosecutor will not be attending a few meetings, reasoning being, they are busy and will attend when they are able.

Commissioner Couig comments that they have not attend a the last few meetings and is requesting for them to attend a meeting with a presentation. Officer Lofstrom will ask City staff how to move forward in regards to requesting City Prosecutor attend future meetings. Commissioner Klainbaum asked if the attendance of the City Prosecutor mandatory or optional; Office Lofstrom responded that he will inquired that information to City staff.

Motion by Vice Chair Gaul, seconded by Commissioner Couig, to close Item J.3. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

#### **J.4. DISCUSSION OF RECENT LAW ENFORCEMENTS EVENTS/CRIME RE-CAP**

Officer Lofstrom addressed the shooting on the Pier; the investigation is still ongoing and all officers involved were unharmed. Beach Life Festival had a lot of personnel assigned to the event and there were no particular issues. The event served as a learning experience for the Police Department and will continue to make effort in making future events safer. Police Department assigned an officer to stop vehicles and make arrest for stolen Catalytic Converters. Officer Lofstrom finished the report with statistics on traffic citations: 1,938 citations, 368 Redondo Beach Residents, 1,570 Non-Residents, 464 arrest, 91 field interviews, 388 citations, and 16,000 calls for service.

Discussion follows, Commissioner Couig requested the number of arrests that was made the weekend of Beach Life Festival. Officer Lofstrom recalled two drunks in public arrest. Lieutenant Freeman confirmed 6 arrest, 4 drunks in public. Commissioner Klainbaum commented on the high noise level from the festival that Sunday; Commissioner Klainbaum continued that after reporting the noise, there was no ownership from the Police Department. Lieutenant Freeman acknowledged Commissioner Klainbaum's comment and stated since the event was approved by Council, there is not much the Police Department can do. Lieutenant Freeman purposed Commissioner Klainbaum to take his concern to Council because the Police Department did not administer a permit to Beach Life. Commissioner Liberman addressed the financial benefits Beach Life brings to the City and that the event is an overall success. Due to confusion in Commissioner Klainbaum's initial issue, Commissioner Klainbaum confirmed that he expects dispatch to receive calls and investigate the problem if the compliant is in good faith. Officer Lofstrom agreed to speak with Commissioner Klainbaum on his issue offline. Vice Chair Gaul requested information on any other upward trends. Officer Lofstrom replied that other than the Catalytic Converters, there is not much other upward trends or reports.

Motion by Commissioner Couig, seconded by Commissioner Liberman, to close Item J.5. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

#### **J.5. DISCUSSION OF COMMUNITY POLICING EVENTS**

Officer Lofstrom reported a list of past events: Cops and Cones, Farmers Market, National Night Out, Boy Scouts, Catalytic Converter, Teens in Policing, Breast Cancer Awareness Fundraiser. Upcoming events: Coffee with Cops, October 6<sup>th</sup>, Faith and Blue October 7<sup>th</sup>, Quantize Club October 16<sup>th</sup>, Domestic Violence, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Halloween Party, October 29<sup>th</sup>, and Catalytic Converter, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Officer Lofstrom ended his report and opened the floor for questions.

Motion by Vice Chair Gaul, seconded Commissioner Couig, to close Item J.5. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**J.6. VOLUNTEERS IN POLICING REPORT**

Officer Lofstrom addressed the number of hours serviced by volunteers, July 318, August 374, and after August was 1,856. Patrol checks, school and park checks were completed by volunteers. That completed Officer Lofstrom's report.

Motion by Commissioner Couig, seconded by Commissioner Lieberman, to close Item J.6. Motion carried unanimously, by roll call vote.

**K. MEMBER ITEMS AND REFERRALS TO STAFF**

Commissioner Klainbaum: None

Commissioner Lieberman: None

Commissioner Couig: None

Reminded Commission that she requested City Prosecutor to attend the Commission meeting and provide a presentation.

Commissioner Gaul: Two lane drop off on Plant Ave., Police Department investigate appropriate area to have students to dropped there.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Vice Chair Gaul adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m., to the next Public Safety Commission meeting on October 18, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Keith Kauffman  
Chief of Police

A/CHIEF J. NAYLOR

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