



PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Alan Hart • James Hairston • Ken Witkoe

Mark Peila • Ray Dotson • Mark Terry

Council Member Michael Brandstetter, Committee Liaison

Police Chief Mike Zaro, Committee Staff Support

Regular Meeting, Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 5:15 p.m **Zoom Virtual Meeting**

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Public Comments
5. City Council Liaison Comments
6. Fire Department Comments
7. Police Department Comments
8. Unfinished Business
 - Work Plan
 - Recruitment
9. New Business
 - Preview of Next Meeting (April 7th)
10. Reports from Board Members & Staff
 - Community Outreach Reports & Open Discussion on Public Safety
 - Pending Policy / Ordinance Changes
11. Adjournment

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Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 2, 2020
Zoom Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:16 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Present: Alan Hart, James Hairston, Ken Witkoe, Ray Dotson, Mark Peila, Tod Wolf and Mark Terry

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Excused: None

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: None

City Councilmember Present: Councilmember Mike Brandstetter

Fire Department Staff Present: Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams

Lakewood Youth Council Present: No Youth Council this meeting.

Staff Present: Chief Mike Zaro and Committee Staff Support, Joanna LaVergne, Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Terry motioned to approve October's meeting minutes. All ayes; minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Charles Ames' email was read into the record; Chief Zaro had already addressed the question, prior to the meeting.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Council member Mike Brandstetter gave a synopsis of the Fireworks Ordinance and stated that the City was looking at avenues for a public fireworks display for 2023. Discussion ensued.

YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

No Youth Council present. Joanna LaVergne will confirm that the rep is receiving the emails.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams discussed their Squad 21 vehicle, and stated they were looking to do a 12 month evaluation, which they will share for the April meeting. Discussion ensued. Assistant Chief Adams also stated that their total call volume had dropped sharply (roughly 10%) during May-August.

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams stated that they were looking to add a part-time Bi-lingual (Spanish speaking) Outreach Coordinator to the 2021 budget.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS

Chief Michael Zaro shared that the Department has two new hires, both entry-level officers, who start at the Academy on January 26th, and then gave a recap of the Fallen Officer Food Drive. We raised about \$14,000 and about 8,000 pounds of food.

Chief Michael Zaro discussed the Shop with an Officer event as well as the Holiday Meals which would still be happening. Chief Zaro discussed the Pierce County Force Investigation Team update and stated that they would be holding the interviews for Investigators starting next week. Chief Zaro also discussed Nisqually Jail's contract ending and the impact on the 21-22 budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chair Ken Witkoe asked Joanna LaVergne to share the PSAC work plan on the screen for 2021. Discussion ensued. It was agreed to add the Squad 21 update from WPFR to June's meeting. Discussion ensued regarding recruitment and it was agreed to add Recruitment to February's agenda. No other changes were made to the work plan at this time.

Joanna LaVergne let everyone know that the City Manager had approved the "PSAC Gear" discussed at the last meeting, and suggested anyone wanting to order should contact Ray Dotson.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Ken Witkoe previewed next month's meeting.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

Members discussed their Neighborhood Associations, as applicable; most are either not meeting or meeting via Zoom right now.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Peila motioned to adjourn the meeting; all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Committee:

Attest:

Ken Witkoe, Chair

Joanna LaVergne, Secretary

Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) 2021 ANNUAL WORK PLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE

Members:

Chair Ken Witkoe
James Hairston
Mark Peila
Alan Hart

Vice Chair Mark Terry
Ray Dotson
Tod Wolf

Council Liaison:

Councilmember Mike Brandstetter

City Staff Support:

Police Chief Michael Zaro
Administrative Assistant Joanna LaVergne

Meeting Schedule:

1st Wednesday of every other month, 5:15 p.m., Lakewood Police Station

Overview: The role of the Public Safety Advisory Committee is to provide citizen input and advice to the City Council in developing and monitoring public safety policies. The Committee will report to the Council and will also assist the Council in assessing that department resources allow for compliance with City and department policies.

2021 Work Plan:

1.	Recruitment
2.	Road Structure and Roundabouts Education Efforts and Updates
3.	Fireworks Ordinance Education Efforts
4.	Railroad Station/Clover Creek Crossing Updates
5.	City Lighting Plan Update with Public Works
6.	Review the Lakewood Dashboard metrics related to Public Safety

Date	Topic(s)
February 3	Fireworks Ordinance Education Efforts
April 7	Public Works Presentation - City Lighting Update
June 2	Road Structure and Roundabouts Education Efforts and Updates
August 4	Railroad Station/Clover Park Crossing Updates
October 6	Election and Work Plan for 2021
December 1	Work Plan and Joint Meeting Prep

Special Events:

Date	Event
August 9	Joint City Council and Public Safety Advisory Committee Meeting
July 10-12	SummerFest
November	Fallen Officer Food Drive

		Primary	Backup
Tillicum/Woodbrook Tillicum American Lake Gardens Community Center 14916 Washington Ave SW 6:30 p.m. 1st Thursday of the Month	Active	James	Mark P
Lake City West Pierce Fire Station 22 8517 Washington Blvd. 7 p.m. 2nd Thursday of the Month	Active		
Lakeview West Pierce Fire Station 20 10928 Pacific Hwy SW 7 p.m. 4th Thursday of the Month	In hibernation	No rep needed	
Springbrook/Pacific Centerforce 5204 Solberg Dr SW 6 p.m. 3rd Thursday of the month	In hibernation	No rep needed	
North Lakewood Elks Lodge 6313 75th St W, Lakewood 7 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday, every other month (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov)	Active	Mark P	Ken
Northeast West Pierce Fire Station 20 10928 Pacific Hwy SW 7 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of the Month	In hibernation	No rep needed	
Springbrook Connections 5202 Solberg Dr SW 2 p.m. 2nd Thursday of the month	Active	Alan	

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