



## **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 2, 2023  
Zoom and In-Person Meeting

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Present: Alan Hart, Mark Peila, James Hairston, Karen Ferreira, Ken Witkoe, Ray Dotson, Kamarie Wilson, Teresa Imholt King and Tod Wolf

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Excused: Martin Pullman

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: None

City Councilmember Present: Trestin Lauricella

Fire Department Staff Present: Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams

Lakewood Youth Council Present: Violet Johnson

Staff Present: Chief Patrick Smith and Committee Staff Support, Joanna LaVergne, Administrative Assistant

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mark Peila motioned to approve the minutes. All ayes; minutes approved.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments.

**PUBLIC SPEAKER COMMENTS – Deana Wright, Court Administrator,  
Lakewood Municipal Court**

Court Administrator Deana Wright gave an overview of the Lakewood Municipal Court and what types of cases they handled. Discussion ensued.

**CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS**

Councilmember Trestin Lauricella discussed where they were in the hiring process for a neighborhood revitalization liaison and the position has been added to the 2023-2024 budget.

Councilmember Lauricella discussed the Business Public Safety Survey; he spoke with City Manager John Caulfield and he believes the Chief will address the survey further. Also, the City is doing their Biennial Community Survey soon, as well.

Councilmember Lauricella discussed the school zone/red light cameras which is out for bid again, and they will be looking for input from citizens and PSAC. Discussion ensued.

**FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS**

Assistant Fire Chief Scott Adams gave their recap on SummerFest, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, National Night Out, and recent call loads. Discussion ensued.

**POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS**

Chief Patrick Smith discussed National Night Out and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter statistics. Chief Smith also discussed the traffic/speed cameras and stated that there would be a presentation later.

Committee member Mr. Mark Peila asked about the License Plate Readers in Lakewood. Chief Patrick Smith gave brief overview of Flock Safety Cameras, which had been approved by City Council. Discussion ensued.

Committee member Dr. Alan Hart asked about the NPO/CSO program and if/when it would be reinstated. Discussion ensued over hiring efforts.

**YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Violet Johnson discussed their upcoming Youth Violence Summit and Youth Council Kick-Off Summit. This year they will have 37 youth council members which is the most they've ever had.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Vice Chair Karen Ferreira stated that at this time they were holding off on the Neighborhood Association Roadmap, per Councilmember Lauricella's update today, while the Neighborhood Coordinator is hired and has a chance to get up and running.

Ms. Ferreira stated that the committee will also hold off on the Business Survey, for now, also per Councilmember Lauricella's update. More information to follow this fall.

Ms. Ferreira asked about Truck and Tractor Day. No new updates regarding that, other than looking for some activities for kids to play.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Vice Chair Karen Ferreira discussed what's on the next meeting's agenda, which will be elections for Chair and Vice Chair and the 2024 Work Plan.

## **REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF**

Members discussed their Neighborhood Associations, as applicable.


## **ADJOURNMENT**

Tod Wolf motioned to adjourn the meeting; all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory  
Committee:

Attest:

  
Karen Ferreira, Vice Chair

  
Joanna LaVergne, Secretary