



MINUTES  
MENDOTA PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING  
July 2, 2018  
12:00 NOON  
Mendota City Hall

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Silva at 12:02 p.m.

Members Present: Chairperson Robert Silva and Vice-Chairperson Oscar Rosales.

Staff Present: Gregg Andreotti, Chief of Police; Matt Flood, Economic Development Manager; Celeste Cabrera, Deputy City Clerk; and Zitlalhi Perez, Intern.

Others Present: Ileana Herrera, Marjaree Mason Center; Sonia Herrera, RCS Fresno; Jacqueline Cortez, RCS Fresno; Patricia Dailey, Centro La Familia; Claudia Gaitan, Centro La Familia; Rosie Corrales, Fresno Housing Authority; Katherine Valencia, Fresno Housing Authority; Shikha Dosanj, Federal Bureau of Prisons; and B.W. Plumley, Federal Bureau of Prisons.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the meeting of May 7, 2018 were approved based on a motion made, seconded and approval.

**II. BUSINESS**

1. Chairperson Silva

a) Complaints received of car alarms going off

Chairperson Silva introduced the item and reported on sensitive car alarms falsely going off; that these alarms are not turned off due to their owner not being home; and inquired as to what the public can do to report such false alarms.

Chief of Police Andreotti stated that if car alarms accidentally go off then they usually reset after a certain period of time; car alarms becoming a public nuisance if they are not turned off; the police department being able to respond and inform the owner if the

alarm continue to go off; and requested that residents call dispatch and inform them of the false car alarm.

Discussion was held on informing residents to check their car alarms through the newsletter.

b) Illegal fireworks enforcement

Discussion was held on enforcing illegal fireworks; the police department finding people in the possession of illegal fireworks in recent years; the fire hazard that they pose; encouraging members of the public to call dispatch if they witness illegal fireworks going off; the police confiscating the fireworks if they see it; and having extra officers out patrolling the City on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

2. Vice-Chairperson Rosales

a) Beautifying residential areas

Vice-Chairperson Rosales reported on municipal code violations in residential areas, such as inoperable vehicles and overflowing garbage bins, and requested that the Code Enforcement Department do their best to address them in order to beautify the community.

Discussion was held on street lights that are not working on Tuft and Straw Streets.

3. Code Enforcement

a) Monthly Update

Chief of Police Andreotti reported that there is currently one Code Enforcement Officer; provided an update on what the officer is working on including weed abatement, and tagging inoperable vehicles; and stated that the department will be following up on the owner of the trailer park installing an enclosure for dumpsters.

4. Police Department

a) Monthly Update

Chief of Police Andreotti stated that crime statistics are down from this time last year; that the Mendota Unified School District and the City have entered into an agreement to provide three School Resource Officers; the department improving their relationship with the community; acquiring funding for additional police related programs; and reported on the Police Explorers success at the 2018 Explorers Conference.

5. Other Business

B.W. Plumley with FCI–Mendota reported on the capacity of FCI–Mendota; an article that was published in the Fresno Bee; a program in which FCI–Mendota can repair the police department’s humvee as long as the department purchases the parts; and provided a personnel update.

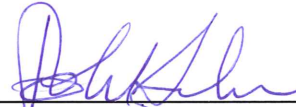
Shikha Dosanj with FCI-Mendota reminded everyone about the upcoming Community Relations Board Meeting.

Discussion was held on the possibility of RCS working with the Mendota Unified School District to educate students and others on the services RCS provides; and the desire to distribute a survey link to allow more people to do the survey.

Patty Dailey with Centro la Familia presented on the services that Centro La Familia provides, including a program called "Strengthening Families".

**ADJOURNMENT**

At the hour of 1:12 p.m., with no more business to be brought before the Committee.



Robert Silva, Chairperson

ATTEST:



Celeste Cabrera, Deputy City Clerk

