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SPECIAL SESSION PUBLIC SAFETY TOWN HALL MEETING

Monday, January 9, 2017 6:00 p.m.

Council Members: Marc Crawford, Chair, Ken Carbone, Vice Chair, Dave Sadoff, Sheila Cunha

Chuck Moore, Janet Everson, Linda Tangren

Location: Castro Valley Library – 3600 Norbridge Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94646

Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

I. Public Safety Town Hall

Opening Remarks

Supervisor Nate Miley, District 4, presented introductory comments on Public Safety in Castro Valley. Alameda County has one of the greatest law enforcement in the State. In addition to the California Highway Patrol. There has been a slight increase in violent crime in the area, he still maintains that Castro Valley is one of the safest areas in the County. Quality of life is of vital concern.

Public Safety Presentation

Colby Staysa, Captain, Eden Township Substation, Sheriff's Office, facilitated a discussion on Public Safety in the Castro Valley area. The increase in violent crime is not just in the Castro Valley area but is a statewide issue. The two (2) of the three recent homicides in the Castro Valley area were victims who resided outside of the Castro Valley area.

One of the issues for an increase in major crimes such as homicide, assault/sexual assault, robbery and arson are a result of de-sensitized youth. In addition there are persons with drug habits that increase crime when they attempt to obtain illegal drugs.

Supervisor Miley stated that constituents can contact his office for situations with homeless and or mentally ill persons; County agencies and departments such as Social Services, Behavioral Health Care Services and others may be able to assist this population if the Sheriff's Office is unable to provide assistance. Supervisors Miley has convened a group of County staff to look at homeless encampments, dumping and debris from a regional perspective.

II. Appointment of MAC Subcommittee to Develop a Process for Safer Pathways to Schools

Marc Crawford, Chair, Castro Valley Municipal Advisory Council, reported that the Vice Chair of the Council, Janet Everson has agreed to lead the MAC Subcommittee to Develop a Process for Safer Pathways to School, in addition, Councilmember Cunha will also sit on the subcommittee.

Speakers

Amy Ramos, Stanford Elementary PTA member, expressed an interest to be added to the subcommittee.

JoAnn Lauer BikeWalk Castro Valley has been working on this process with the Public Works Agency for three (3) years and would like an opportunity to expedite some of the processes.

Matt Turner, Chair of Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, urged the Council to include JoAnn Lauer in the discussions on safer pathways to schools, as she is very knowledgeable on this issue.

Recommendation from MAC: The subcommittee will consist of members from the MAC, Alameda County staff and the Castro Valley Unified School District. Janet Everson and Sheila Cunha will meet with JoAnn Lauer of BikeWalk Castro Valley to discuss some of the processes Ms. Lauer has researched. The subcommittee meetings will be open to the public.

III. Council/Staff Comments

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Next meeting date: January 30, 2017

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