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Public Safety Committee Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, March 26, 2024 @ 6:30pm

MINUTES:

1. The Public Safety Committee Call to Order – Susan Collins, Chair:
Meeting Called to order at 6:40pm

2. Roll Call – Penny Gilbert, Secretary (Gilbert Absent), Susan Collins-
Present, Thelma Mericle-Present, Barbara McDermott-Present, Penny
Gilbert-Present, Christy Adair-Absent

3. Public Comments – Comments by the public on non-agenda items within the Public
Safety Committee’s jurisdiction: Comment made by Lionel Mars, reminding people of
the LAPD Commissioners meeting being held on April 16, 2024 at 6:00pm

4. DISCUSS UPCOMING MEETING TOPICS, LOCATIONS, HYBRID, AND / OR IN
PERSON:

Thelma Mericle suggested we take August off, and that we meet at an outdoor patio and /or park

Penny Johnson suggested meeting at Pineapple Hill Grill

Barbara McDermott suggested we dedicate every ¼ meeting to SLOs

5. LAFD / CERT Updates: Presented by Christy Adair

6. Final Committee Business and Announcements: *Emergency or timely items since the
posting of the agenda.

7. ADJOURNMENT: At 7:32pm

Public Comments: Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered, and prior to voting. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board’s jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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- For **LAFD CERT** information, check the www.CERT-LA.com website
- For Emergency Preparedness Continuing Education classes, sign up at join.ntp-la.org
- For **Map Your Neighborhood**, contact Barbara at Barbara.McDermott.Sonc@gmail.com
- For **Neighborhood Watch Groups**, contact Cissy at Cissy.Altamirano.Sonc@gmail.com
- To **SUBSCRIBE** to receive monthly meeting announcements and agendas, contact: SoncPScommittee@gmail.com
- For **Neighborhood Watch** info, contact your local Senior Lead Officer (“SLO”). To find your SLO: <https://www.lapdonline.org/> | Your LAPD | Find Your Local Police Station
- For **LAPD volunteer opportunities**, contact Officer Jason Jimenez in the Community Relations Office at 38903@lapd.online, or call (818) 374-5420.

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Weekly Walkie-Talkie Radio Check-In: Every Sunday at 10am: Channel 20 (or Ch 16 if 20 is busy), we check-in around the Valley to see how far our voices can be heard. We practice checking-in, moving locations around the home until someone can hear us. Simple radios are a good source of emergency communication with your immediate area which could help if we experience a valley-wide disaster. The PSC suggests you pull-out a walkie, put in fresh batteries, and listen to next Sunday's net to see if you can hear anyone.

Weekly Sunday Morning Lake Balboa Amateur Radio Net: Every Sunday at 9am on Simplex 145.570 we have a weekly net for Ham Radio Operators transmitting around the SF Valley and beyond. It is a formal, but friendly, net where information is exchanged on a variety of topics. It is especially great net for NEW Hams.

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