

AGENDA

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

April 14, 2010
9:30 A.M.

Laguna Woods City Hall
Council Chambers
24264 El Toro Road
Laguna Woods, CA 92637

AGENDA DESCRIPTION: The Agenda descriptions are intended to give notice, to members of the public, of a general summary of items of business to be transacted or discussed. Any person wishing to address the Public Safety Committee on any matter, whether or not it appears on this agenda, may do so under the appropriate section of the agenda. Whenever possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Committee in writing (12 copies) and only pertinent points presented orally. Requests to speak to items on the agenda shall be heard at the appropriate point on the agenda; requests to speak about subjects not on the agenda will be heard during the Public Comment section of the meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- A. Public Safety: Rights of Individuals vs. Well Being of the Community

Speakers: Mark Odom, Orange County Health Care Agency,
Older Adult Services
Andrea Portenier, Orange County Health Care
Agency, Tobacco Use Prevention Program

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and discuss presentations.

IV. PENDING PROJECTS UPDATE

- A. Moulton Parkway Improvements
B. Place for Paws

V. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

- A. Animal Services
- B. Hoarding

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VIII. ADJOURN

The next regular meeting of the Public Safety meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2010. All regular meeting are subject to cancellation due to a lack of agenda items.

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**March 10, 2010
9:30 A.M.**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Templeton at 9:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Henderson, Leuck, Margolis, Min, Rosenblatt, Stone
Templeton

Absent: Horne, Letcher, Venable

III. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. Place for Paws Hours of Operation

The Committee was presented with a petition from the residents of the Laguna Hills Mobile Estates, located across the street from A Place for Paws (dog park), containing 137 signatures. The petition requests that park hour be modified from sunrise to sunset to 7:00 a.m. to sunset. The Committee discussed the recommendations and the possibility of locking the park when it is not supposed to be open. City Manager Keane noted that there is currently insufficient staff to take on that job and that she is reluctant to assign the responsibility to volunteers. Robin Stewart, representing the mobile home park residents, stated that she believes that the park is used after hours for drug sales and that Sheriff's vehicles make regular arrests at the park. City manager Keane noted that she was unaware of any drug sale incidents and that it would follow up

with the Sheriff's Department. She also stated that adjacent residents and those using the park should contact the City, Laguna Beach Animal Services and the Orange County Sheriff's department if there are problems at the dog park – these phone numbers are posted along with the park rules at the dog park. Chair Templeton requested that staff put together a flyer with this information that could be distributed to adjacent residents.

Upon a motion, the Committee voted unanimously to modify the hours of A Place for Paws is open to 7:00 a.m. to sunset, and to request staff to prepare and information flyer that could be distributed to adjacent residents and park users.

B. Public Safety: Rights of Individuals vs. Well Being of the Community

The Committee heard from representatives of the Orange County Office on Aging and Orange County Adult Protective Services, regarding the services they provide. The Office on Aging has a number of educational programs that relate to personal safety and provides referrals for seniors and their families, but no services that related specifically to the subject under discussion. Adult Protective Services investigates complaints of abuse – both self abuse and abuse related to a third party. Their services are voluntary and confidential. If an individual refuses assistance, there is little they can do.

Following the presentations, the Committee discussed approaches to the subject and decided to invite several other organizations to make presentations about their roles in relation to the issue; among these, the Village Homeowners Associations, the Orange County District Attorney and Sheriff's Offices, the Public Guardian and Health Care Agencies, the Fire Authority and Vector Control District and the City Attorney. Following these meetings, the Committee

will compile a report of its findings and forward it to the City Council.

IV. PENDING PROJECTS UPDATE

Staff provided an update on the Moulton Parkway Smart Street improvement project.

V. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

- A. Animal Services – Chair Templeton discussed issues the Committee was currently investigating. The current focus is on community education.
- B. Hoarding – no meeting since last report.

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Stone asked if the City knew why a number of trees inside the Village along Ridge Route had been removed.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

VIII. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting on April 14, 2010.