

AGENDA

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

February 9, 2011
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. Vice Chair and Future Meeting Schedule

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Appoint a vice chair to conduct meetings in the absence of the chair and select a monthly meeting date and time.

B. Committee Procedures, Open Meeting and Conflict of Interest Regulations

RECOMMENDED ACTION: This is item is an informational and discussion only item.

C. Pending Project Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff will provide an update on current project:

- Moulton Parkway and El Toro Road Construction
- Smoking Regulations
- Right Turn on Red Signage

D. 2011 Committee Work Plan

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Discuss and identify goals and projects for the upcoming year.

IV. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VI. ADJOURN

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Meeting Recap

December 8, 2010
9:30 A.M.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Templeton called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL

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

III. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. No Right Turn on Red Light Alternatives

Assistant City Manager Reilly discussed the possible use of red light arrows as an alternative to no right turn on red light restrictions. The Committee voted 3 to 2 to support testing red light arrows at the Towne Center intersection and Laguna Woods Village Gate 7 intersection, with its first priority as Gate 7.

AYES: Leuck, Margolis, Rosenblatt
NOES: Horne, Templeton

B. Rights of the Individual vs. Rights of the Community

The Committee reviewed their past discussions and made the following recommendations to the City Council:

1. Modify the City's smoking regulations to prohibit smoking on or in unenclosed patios and balconies in multifamily buildings. Direct staff to prepare such an ordinance for introduction and first reading at the January 19, 2011 City Council meeting.
2. Increase the City's fire safety/prevention education program efforts through use of the City's newsletter, website and cable channel; consider funding for a citywide fire safety event as a part of the midyear budget review process.
3. Develop and make available educational, referral and contact materials about elder abuse and hoarding. Disseminate such information using the City's newsletter and website.
4. Defer action on adoption of interior property maintenance regulations until the Village homeowners associations finalize and adopt clutter policies and procedures.
5. Request a written clarification from the Orange County Fire Authority regarding their response protocols to internal property maintenance complaints about potential fire danger.

IV. PENDING PROJECTS UPDATE

Staff provided updates on the following pending projects:

- A. Moulton Parkway and El Toro Road Construction

V. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

- A. Animal Services – no meeting

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Leuck requested that the Public Safety Committee discuss illegal use of golf carts on the El Toro Road sidewalk. City manager Keane noted that the City Council has already heard a resident complaint on this matter

and has not directed staff to investigate further. Staff has safety concerns regarding the installation of bollards in the sidewalk, but is adding additional signage.

In response to comments by Member Margolis regarding the perceived poor timing of traffic signals on El Toro Road, City Manager Keane stated that the pause between lights is a State law requirement, but that there could be problems. Individuals should notify Doug Reilly and he will check to assure that timing is correct.

Member Rosenblatt commented that the individuals who ignore existing traffic prohibitions will also ignore new prohibitions and signs.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jack Isaacson, resident, expressed concern with secondhand smoke at bus stops.

VIII. ADJOURN

The next regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be at 9:30 a.m. on February 9, 2011, at Laguna Woods City Hall, 24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637. All regular meetings are subject to cancellation due to a lack of agenda items.