

MINUTES

City of Pacifica
 Emergency Preparedness & Safety Commission
 2075 Coast Highway
 Pacifica, CA 94044

DATE: March 17, 2021

TIME: 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Hitz, Blackburn, Lotridge, Hladky, Gasanyan,
 Salisbury, Erbacher, Johnson

Commissioners Absent: Taverna and Johnson

Ex Officio Members Present: Council Member Bigstycck, Machado

Ex Officio Members Absent: Machado, Peppers, Fleming

STAFF PRESENT: Captain Clements, Sergeant Cumming

CORONA VIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) NOTICE

Read by Captain Clements

APPROVAL

OF MINUTES: The minutes for February 17, 2021 meeting were approved.

APPROVAL

OF AGENDA: The agenda for March 17, 2021 meeting was approved.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hitz and Commissioner Lotridge shared their concerns regarding the safety of pedestrians, bicyclist, and walkers with strollers on Pacifica trails. They expressed their concerns over the congestion on the trails and the potential for injuries to occur. Captain Clements suggested that the Open Space and Parkland Advisory Committee or the Parks, Beaches, and Recreation Commission may already be addressing these matters. Captain Clements agreed to report back to the commissioners on this topic. Commissioners Hitz, Lotridge, Erbacher, and Hladkyd made a motion to

adopt a subcommittee to explore this topic in greater detail. Captain Clements agreed to contact the staff liaisons to the other commission and committee and report back to the commissioners on this topic.

Commissioner Blackburn spoke to the commission about building beyond what the city building codes may require. He said going beyond what the city requires will benefit the building owner when an earthquake, flood, tsunami, fire, tornado, hurricane, etc. will strike. Commissioner Blackburn also provided the commission with the following websites that provide further information on these topics;

www.naic.org (National Association Insurance Commissioners)

www.nih.gov (National Institute of Health)

EX-OFFICIO COMMENTS:

Council Member Bigstycck addressed the commission and thanked them for all their work and the continued concern they have for the City of Pacifica and all the residents.

Council Member Bigstycck briefly talked about San Mateo County and Pacifica moving into the orange tier under the State Blueprint for a Safer Economy. He talked about the county moving in the right direction, and cautioned we still need to be vigilant in these coming months.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Captain Clements spoke to the commission during staff comments about following topics;

Captain Clements and Chief Todd Johnson from the North County Fire Authority made a detailed presentation to the commission regarding the Zonehaven evacuation platform that is being made available to the residents of San Mateo County in the event of an incident that could call for evacuations or shelter in place. Captain Clements provided these updates;

Feb 24 San Mateo Co. Moves to Red Tier- social media post

Mar 3 NWS Beach Hazards Statement- social media post

Mar 3 City Restoration Of Operations (ROOP) Meeting

Mar 10 City ROOP Meeting

Mar 14 Promoted Tsunami Prep Week on social media

Mar 16 San Mateo Co Moves to Orange Tier – social media promotion

Mar 19 Tsunami Sign update Meeting

Mar 22-26 Tsunami Preparedness Week – social media promotions all week

Mar 24 Participated in the Statewide Tsunami Communications Exercise

Mar 25 Earthquake/ Tsunami Preparedness Class (promoted via social media, and through schools)

April 15 Emergency Services Council 5:30PM

* Updated EPSC site

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Commissioners discussed future topics and speakers on these topics; Ambulances in Pacifica, Shelter & Capacity, Factors that could close the Lantos tunnels, Public works tree project.

Commissioner Hitz spoke about an article in the Pacifica Tribune about preparing for a disaster and about utility companies. This article caused him to consider future speakers from possibly the water department and PG&E.

The commissioners also discussed their role and updating the City of Pacifica commission webpage. Captain Clements shared the Commission's page on the city website had been recently updated. He encouraged commissioners to review the website and provide any recommended changes at a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: 7:55 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday April 21, 2021 at 6:30 PM