

MARCH 7, 2024 – CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Ching called the meeting to order at 7:45 a.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: C/Cajulis, C/Ching, C/Wu

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: M/Tragarz (arrived 7:50 p.m.), MPT/Freedman

Also present were City Manager Weiner; Community Development Director Vasquez, Deputy Community Services Director Bumia; Administrative Services Director Carlson; Public Information Officer Tep; Senior Management Analyst Markel and City Clerk De Dios.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

- **Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department – Walnut Station**

Lieutenant Daniel Dail provided statistics for 2023 and provided background on the programs the Sheriff's Department has been working on for the community including the Volunteers on Patrol. He mentioned that the cost per service decreased from last year's stats and noted that traffic stats showed a decrease in DUIs. He shared that the City will be receiving a grant for more surveillance including DUI checkpoints due to incidents that have occurred at Amar Road. He expressed his appreciation to the City Council, the Sheriff staff, and City staff for a great working relationship.

C/Ching requested the Sheriffs provide stats at an upcoming City Council meeting and commended the Sheriff's on their response time.

Discussion took place amongst the Council, Sheriff, and staff regarding grant monies, cybercrime rates, license plate cameras, and the effectiveness of extra patrol around the city.

M/Tragarz arrived at 7:50 a.m. to the meeting

Council expressed appreciation for the hard work and dedication displayed by the Sheriff's Station.

- **Los Angeles County Fire Department – Assistant Fire Chief Dustin Robertson**

Acting Assistant Fire Chief Dustin Robertson provided information on the Stations 61 and 146 that service Walnut funded by taxes. He shared statistics from the 1,760 calls fielded by

the two stations in 2023 and noted there were 1,312 brush inspections. He shared that the Fire Department participated in public education for school public safety programs and oversaw the Ready Set Go program, community emergency response team training, explorer program, and junior lifeguard program.

The City Council expressed their appreciation to the department for their hard work and dedication.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There being no public input, it was the consensus of the City Council to close oral communications. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 a.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 27th day of March 2024.

Nancy Tragarz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk