

KINGSBURG PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2022

Council Chamber, 1401 Draper, Kingsburg, CA 93631

Call to order by Chair: Chairman Palomar called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Members present: Alan Roberts, Shawn Marshall, Lennis Scheline, Vincent Latham, Ryan Phelan and Chairman Vince Palomar.

Members absent: Jim McGuire and Kenny Crab.

Staff present: City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard, City Manager Alexander Henderson and Police Chief Neil Dadian.

Public Comments: None.

Approve Minutes: Member Roberts motioned, seconded by Member Latham, to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021 Public Safety Committee meeting as prepared by City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of those members present.

Police Body Camera Update

Chief Dadian presented the importance of cameras. Cameras offer transparency and the ability to prosecute from an investigation. The jury needs to see things, not just hear things. Generally, \$300,000 over a 5 year period would be the cost. We prefer to have the vendor store the video instead of the cost of doing in in house. Chief Dadian would also like to get dash cams. Public records allows for the release of body cams, which is why they are leaning towards a cloud based camera system. Member Roberts asked about the length of storage in the cloud. Chief Dadian said about 180 days. Member Phalen asked if there is one main vendor that most police departments are using. Chief Dadian said yes, that is who they are looking in to. Member Scheline asked if there is any impact for downloading at the end of the shift. Chief Dadian said yes, there could be different ways of downloading. Member Roberts asked about policy. Chief Dadian said they use Lexipol. Member Roberts asked are the employees for it? Chief Dadian said yes. Chairman Palomar asked how soon would the PD be purchasing the cameras. Chief Dadian said after July 1, new fiscal year. Chairman Palomar said the committee would like to fund this, whether this fiscal year or next. Chief Dadian said he appreciates the funding for the camera.

Use of Funds Discussion

Discussed the body camera project. The Committee discussed how gas prices have gone up- more bikers. What is the safety of bikers in Kingsburg? City Manager Henderson discussed the striping program that the city does on a schedule. If the committee wants to fund it, we can paint more. Discussed masterplan with bike lanes. Member Scheline asked about the current camera situation. Chief Dadian said we can always use more cameras. Member Phalen asked about the walking path on Madsen. City Manager Henderson outlined the expanding walking paths. 3-4 rapid flashing beacons by the high school- 19th, 20th and Madsen & Sierra, and one in front of Roosevelt School. Member Roberts is for the city wide camera system. Member Roberts motioned, seconded by Member Latham, to use their remaining budget for city cameras. The motion passed by a voice vote of those present.

Other Business

Chairman Palomar asked what our city's liability is with raised sidewalks. City Manager Henderson said it matters how much it raised, whether the city knows about it. Once we do, we try to shave the concrete down. If it is a private property tree we try to work with the property owner to remove the tree.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned to next meeting on May 9, 2022 at 3:32pm.