

**UNOFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES
POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MAY 22, 2024**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Committee Member Perez arrived after Roll Call

Present (5):

Committee Member Maria Garcia
Committee Member MacGregor Eddy
Committee Member Rogelio Perez
Committee Member Leo De La Rosa
Committee Chair Lea Miller

Absent (2):

Committee Member Gabriela Manzo
Committee Member Asya Guillory

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment received.

CONSENT AGENDA

#24-298 Approval of Minutes of March 27, 2024

MOTION

Upon the motion by Committee Member Garcia, seconded by Committee Member De La Rosa, the Minutes of March 27, 2024, were approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 - Committee Member Garcia, Committee Member Eddy, Committee Member Perez, Committee Member De La Rosa, Chair Miller

ABSENT: 2 - Committee Member Guillory, Committee Member Manzo

PRESENTATION:

2023 Annual Report

Committee members received a presentation from Salinas Acting Police Chief John Murray regarding the 2023 Annual Report. He talked about the department's achievements, including the launch of the Salinas Police Outreach Team and Youth Diversion Program. Acting Chief Murray gave an overview of the calls for service, crime statistics, and homicide solve rate, emphasizing that crime trends went down. He stated that staffing levels continued to decline, and in efforts to attract applicants, the department increased hiring incentives.

Acting Chief Murray recognized police officers and support staff that received the 2023 Awards of Excellence.

He answered questions committee members had.

Public comment received.

No action required.

Fiscal Year 2024-25 Police Department Budget

Acting Chief John Murray presented the preliminary Fiscal Year 2024-25 Police Department Budget. The Police Department's Budget proportion of the City's budget has decreased for the last several years. He informed the Committee Members of the goals for the Police Department for the new fiscal year. The preliminary budget has been presented to the Salinas City Council.

He answered questions committee members had.

Public comment received.

No action required.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Acting Chief Murray informed PCAC members that the Department went to City Council on May 7, 2024, and received approval for the following items:

- (1) Update Purchase request for the IDEMIA Fingerprint Processing System
- (2) Memorandum of Understanding to enter the Public Safety Cadets, formerly Explorers.

The Department is anticipated to go to City Council in June for the following items:

- (1) Purchase of a twelve (12) passengers van to transport Cadets and Department Staff.
- (2) Entering to an agreement with the Monterey County Health Department to provide evaluation services for the Organized Retail Theft Grant.
- (3) Approval for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Tow Service Franchise Agreements.

In June, the department will be working to renew all Contracts for services, such as Background Investigations, Transcription Services, K9 Training, Vehicle IT Support, etc. If contracts exceed the purchasing threshold, they may require City Council approval.

Acting Chief Murray reminded PCAC Members that the Community Development and Public Works Departments coordinate the Health and Safety days impacting the unhoused population. If a member would like to additional information regarding those activities, they can reach out to those departments.

National Night Out will be Tuesday, August 6, 2024. Additional information to follow.

Acting Chief Murray answered questions committee members had.

No action required.

COMMITTEE MEMBER'S REPORTS

Committee member De La Rosa congratulated Acting Chief Murray and the Police Department for the great work they are doing.

Committee member Eddy requested a presentation on complaints submitted to the department.

Committee member Perez would like a presentation from the Recreation Department and Public Works Department regarding issues with parks. He also suggested the Police Department become more involved with the faith community.

Chair Miller gave a recap of topics that committee members had requested.

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting, Wednesday, June 26, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.