



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION
November 16, 2023
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
David Gebhard Room
630 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting on Thursday, November 16, 2023 was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Lizzie Rodriguez, Chair
Linda Dozer, Vice Chair
Daniel Herlinger, Commissioner
Gary Hill, Commissioner
Aaron Jones, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Kelly Gordon, Police Chief
Marylinda Arroyo, Assistant Police Chief
Kasi Corbett, Commander, Santa Barbara Police Department
Brian Federman, Operations Division Chief, Santa Barbara Fire Department
Barbara Andersen, Senior Assistant to the City Administrator
Talhia Dorado, Commission Secretary

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment Received.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 26, 2023

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Herlinger to approve the October 26, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hill.

VOTE: Vote by name results showed **5:0**; (5) in favor of approving minutes. Motion Passes unanimously.

OVERVIEW OF CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING AND CO-RESPONSE TEAM PROGRAM

Dr. Cherylynn Lee provided an overview of the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) course. This training is offered as an eight-hour course as well as a 40-hour course where law enforcement learn about various mental illnesses, de-escalation techniques and local resources.

Dr. Lee also spoke to the Co-Response Team program that has been implemented by the Santa Barbara County Sherriff's Department and the Santa Barbara Police Department.

Police Chief Kelly Gordon shared some additional insights into the Santa Barbara Police Department's Co-Response Team and introduced some of the Police Department's Co-Response Team officers.

Public comment received.

SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT MISSION STRATEGIES REPORT

Assistant Chief Marylinda Arroyo presented the quarterly report on the Mission Strategies of the Santa Barbara Police Department.

SANTA BARBARA FIRE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORTING DATA

Operations Division Chief Brian Federmann presented a quarterly report on the calls for service received by the Santa Barbara Fire Department.

FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION WORK PLAN

Per the Ordinance assigning new duties and authorities to the Fire and Police Commission, it states [2.09.040 B(9)] that the police monitor role within the City Administrator's Office will coordinate with the Commission to submit an annual report and work-plan to the City Council no later than March 1 of each year. This was the final review and adoption of the Fire and Police Commission Work Plan for submission to the Mayor and Council in February 2024.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Herlinger to adopt the Fire and Police Commission Work Plan. Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Dozer.

VOTE: Vote by name results showed **4:0**; (4) in favor and (1) Abstention from Commissioner Hill. Motion Passes.

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Vice Chair Dozer shared about her ride-along experience with the Santa Barbara Police Department and announced a scheduled ride-along with the Santa Barbara Fire Department.

Chair Rodriguez made an announcement regarding her end of term as Chair of the Fire and Police Commission and expressed gratitude for being able to serve in this leadership role as the City implemented its new civilian oversight system for law enforcement.

Commissioner Hill took a moment to show appreciation for Barabara Andersen and her role as Fire and Police Commission staff liaison and police monitor.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.