

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Annika Guterman, Board Member  
 Tony Zimbardi, Board Member  
 Robert Morrison, Board Member  
 Brandi D'Amore, Vice Chair  
 Michael Connolly, Chair



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**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES****Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee****Monday, May 23, 2022, 6:30 PM****Webinar ID: 945 9331 3243****<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/94593313243>**

Annika Guterman entered the meeting at 6:37  
 Tony Zimbardi entered the meeting at 6:40

Welcome

**6:32 PM start**

**1. Roll Call****Attending**

Robert Morrison      Brandi D'Amore      Michael Connolly      Tony Zimbardi      Annika Guterman

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**Motion passed.**

**Motion Made: Approval of April '22 Minutes**

**Motion:** Robert Morrison      **Second:** Brandi D'Amore      **Vote:** Yes-2, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

**Yes**

Brandi D'Amore      Robert Morrison

**Abstain**

Michael Connolly

**3. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (2 minutes each)**

**None**

**4. Comments from representatives from any City, County, State, Federal agencies in attendance**

**Ethan Weaver, Neighborhood Prosecutor, announced a cleanup event at the Wilcox triangle on June 2nd at 8 am. Additionally, the party responsible for removing the plants is going to replant at his own expense. There are plans to keep the triangle cleaner overall. The fencing for the triangle must be an open chain link fence. Robert Morrison inquired onto housing outreach. Mr. Weaver indicated that is not in his purview and that he can try to connect Mr. Morrison with Unified Homelessness Response Center (UHRC).**

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**LAPD Senior Lead Officer (SLO) Mata: She gave a current year-to-date on crime statistics. Rape and homicide are down; aggravated assault down 4.3; burglaries up; grand theft auto up 22%; burglary theft auto, down; property crime up 9.9 %**

**Annika Guterman entered the meeting at 6:37PM**

**Michael Connolly asked about Bronson activity. Robert Morrison asked about increase in helicopter presence. Officer Mata indicated that airships are requested for chase, active crime scene, rooftop etc., and is hard to gauge exact reasons. He asked about deployment statis; SLO Mata does not have access, but department has info.**

**Tony Zimbardi: 6:40PM**

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**Ranger David Ebner discussed the recent 4-acre fire behind Griffith Observatory that was extinguished in 2 hours. Rangers stayed over**

*night. He indicated that there was a person of interest, but not enough evidence to take him into custody.*

*He also addressed fatal bicycle accident from the AIDS ride that has led to increased traffic enforcement in the park.*

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*LAFD Office West Bureau Chief Dean Zipperman covered aspects of Brush Clearance, addressed the committee about the 2022 Brush Clearance Season; citations for violations are beginning. LAFD may come back to this committee to discuss in detail at a later date, to be determined.*

*He indicated that property owners can review their notifications at the following website: [https://www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush/2022-owner-notification-mailer#:~:text=To%20avoid%20the%20assessment%](https://www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush/2022-owner-notification-mailer#:~:text=To%20avoid%20the%20assessment%20)*

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*SLO Mata announced that the Summit of the Americas is June 6th - June 12th in Downtown LA, and all of the SLOs will be assigned to security details during that week. Committee is advised to expect slower responses.*

5. LAFD Brush Clearance Inspection Season 5/1/22

Brush Overall: <https://www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush>

Brush Clearance Requirements: <https://www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush/brush-clearance-requirements>

Owner Notification: [https://www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush/2022-owner-notification-mailer#:~:text=To%20avoid%20the%20assessment%](https://www.lafd.org/fire-prevention/brush/2022-owner-notification-mailer#:~:text=To%20avoid%20the%20assessment%20)

A) Presentation and Question & Answer by LAFD

*LAFD Captain Bryan Nassour, Brush Clearance, addressed the committee about the 2022 Brush Clearance Season; citations for violations are beginning. LAFD may come back to this committee to discuss in detail at a later date, to be determined.*

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B) Discussion on messaging, including but not limited to, sharing LAFD information through outreach outlets, a dedicated webinar event, etc.

*No action take at this time.*

1. Possible motion to recommend to Full Board HUNC sponsoring an LAFD webinar event

*Committee agreed that this would possibly make a good single online event to have LAFD Brush Clearance to explain process, and Captain Nassour was amenable. The item was postponed for vote to recommend to Full Board at this time.*

2. Determination of details of event

6. Presentation by David Barrett, Executive Director, MySafe:LA

*David Barrett gave a presentation of the overall objectives of his organization: active fireworks mitigation effort across LA; wildfire prevention; training for public in CPR; community engagement*

*He discussed the organization's new app for fireworks mitigation and awareness which is to be available June 1, 2022. He discussed an education event at Grant. He also advised that there will be flyers to distribute and will have staff reach out.*

*He indicated that State Bill (SB) 277 Fireworks: dangerous fireworks: seizure: management will greatly enhances enforcement*

*He also addressed steps to become obtain a "Firewise" community certification which can result in reduced insurance costs.*

7. Committee Member announcements on items not on the Agenda

*Robert Morrison indicated that he still had business cards in his possession for committee members for them to pick up.*

***Brandi D'Amore reminded committee of the pending Hollywood Dell Civic Association Summer Block Party, asking them to schedule to attend the event. Michael Connolly and Robert Morrison confirmed that it is a good event, and Ms. D'Amore reminded committee that it also applies to the required outreach hours.***

***Committee decided to meet on Sunday 6/29 where Mr. Morrison could distribute the remaining cards and to socialize with the caveat that it could not discuss any committee business.***

8. Old/Ongoing Business

***None***

9. New/Future Business

***None***

Adjournment at 8:22 PM

Reconsideration: The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place before the end of the meeting at which it was considered or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and take an action. If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a [Proposed] action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A Motion for Reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a Motion for Reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Recording Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.