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Meeting Minutes Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

10:00 AM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Committee Member Peters opened the Meeting at 10:00a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Lindy Peters, Bernie Norvell, Tabatha Miller, Fabian Lizarraga, Marie Jones and Lesley Bryant

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1A. [18-215](#)

Approve Minutes of April 18, 2018 Meeting

A motion was made by Committee Member Peters and seconded by Committee Member Norvell that the Minutes of the April 18, 2018 Meeting be approved. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Judy Valadao asked if the follow-up by Chief Lizarraga to business owners regarding their options when dealing with shoplifters had been done.

Jacob Patterson asked if the use of CDGB funds were being used efficiently.

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

3A [18-237](#)

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Receive Report and Discuss Homelessness Issues in Fort Bragg, Including the Marbut Consulting Report and a More Comprehensive City Approach

City Manager Miller gave a brief overview of the Marbut Report, and stated it should be looked at as a starting point for the City. Several topics were discussed regarding the amount of time law enforcement spends on dealing with calls involving transients, whether or not the person is transported to the County Jail, and how much of their property is stored at the Police Department. Chief Lizarraga showed bodycam footage of contacts between officers and transients, as well as stills taken from drone footage of encampments within the City limits. Marie Jones has been working with CalTrans and other agencies regarding the responsibility and liability for under bridge clean up. Maya Stuart from the Health and Human Services Agency explained the work she is doing with Kitchen Table Consulting.

Public comments were heard from Maya Stuart, Scott Mayberry, Jenny O'Neal, Joe Christie, Tim Bosma, Judy Valadao, and Carol White.

3B [18-213](#) Discussion on a Possible City Ordinance Regarding Shopping Carts

Tim Bosma explained how expensive carts are for the business. The signage on the carts needs to "have teeth" to be effective. Carts donated to the Food Bank, have been spray painted to cover the Harvest Market logo. There are no suppliers other than those based on the east coast, so there are shipping costs involved as well.

Committee Member Norvell stated the issue is that for the Police Department to take the shopping cart, or charge someone with possession of it under Business and Professions Code 22345, the cart must have notification permanently attached to it.

Public comments were heard from Carol White, Lynelle Johnson, and Vance Cook,

3C [18-214](#) Discussion on Enforcement Efforts to Stem Aggressive Panhandling

Chief Lizarraga explained the process for someone to be cited for aggressive pan-handling and the need for the victim to be able to identify the suspect. The victim would need to sign a citizen's arrest form if the incident was not viewed by the officer and may have to appear in court.

Public comments were heard from Tim Bosma, Vance Cook, Jennifer Bosma

3D [18-229](#) Receive Report and Provide Recommendations for Revisions to the Master Traffic Resolution Section H Restricted Parking on Private Property

Chantell O'Neal presented the staff report regarding the Master Traffic Resolution. Section H, Parking on Private Property was severely outdated.

Committee Member Norvell proposed moving properties from the list that no longer have posted signage, all residential properties and to notify remaining business regarding the list.

Public comments were heard from Jacob Patterson

3E [17-670](#) Receive Oral Update from Staff on Departmental Activities

Chief Lizarraga gave an update on the staffing situation. There are two openings for Police Officer, and an attempt to get ahead of the curve, allowed interviews to take place. Two candidates are in the background process and will hopefully be sworn in soon.

4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF**ADJOURNMENT**

Committee Member Peters adjourned the meeting at 12:30p.m.