

KENSINGTON POLICE PROTECTION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes for 10/08/2009

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District was held Thursday October 08, 2009, 7:00 PM , at the Community Center, 59 Arlington Avenue, Kensington, California.

The board entered into Open Session at 7:00 PM.

ATTENDEES

Elected Members	Guests/Presenters:	
Charles Toombs, President	Sergeant Rickey Hull	
Patricia M. McLaughlin, Vice President	Joan Gallegos	
Bill Wright, Director	Joel Koosed	
Cathie Kosel, Director	Officer Doug Wilson	
John Stein, Director	Officer Doug Medina	
	Vida Dorroh	
Staff Members	Officer Juan Ramos	
	Ciara Wood	
	Jack Griffith	
Gregory E. Harman, General Manager/ Chief of Police	Linda Lipscomb	
Stephanie Fries, District Secretary	Paul Dorroh	

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joan Gallegos, resident, suggested planning Earth Day events now rather than waiting until April. Joan also suggested planning Earth Day events in conjunction with John Muir's birthday, which falls around the same time, and possibly giving High School Seniors community service credit for volunteering for the events.

BOARD COMMENTS

Vice President McLaughlin responded to Gloria Morrison's list of questions for the Board. Vice President McLaughlin's responses are as follows:

1. As regards pay increases for Officers - Negotiations with the Officers have not yet begun. We are in the process of establishing Board directed guidelines for the negotiations.

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2. Individuals employed with COPS funding can be terminated. An employee has already been terminated. As of FY 09-10 the COPS account is not overdrawn.
3. The audit for 07-08 has been corrected, presented and accepted by the Board.
4. The increase in budgeted costs for medical benefits is due to the \$120,000 included for the GASB 45 retiree benefits calculation as indicated by the actuarial report.
5. The cash report that has been previously included is not a "revenue" report and comparison with revenues is 'apples' and 'oranges' according to our accountant. We have submitted a revised method for reporting to the accountant for approval and discussion at the next financial committee meeting, which she has indicated her willingness to attend.

STAFF COMMENTS

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman indicated that Police Services Specialist Andrea Di Napoli was finally able to obtain a \$1507 refund from Terminix for services not rendered.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman announced that KIC would be having their Town Hall Meeting on Saturday November 7, 2009 at 9:30am and encouraged all to attend.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: The Board moves to approve the Consent Calendar as presented

AYES: Wright, Toombs, McLaughlin, Kosel, Stein

NOES: 0

NEW BUSINESS #1 - General Manager/ Chief of Police Greg Harman will administer the Oath of Office to newly appointed Board Member John Stein.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman administered the Oath of Office to John Stein.

NEW BUSINESS #2 - General Manager/ Chief of Police Greg Harman will administer the Oath of Office to newly appointed Police Officer Juan Ramos Jr.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman administered the Oath of Office to Officer Juan Ramos, Jr.

NEW BUSINESS #3 - Chief of Police Greg Harman will present Officer Doug Medina with a Blue Commendation for his arrest of a burglary suspect.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman presented Officer Doug Medina with a Blue Commendation and gave a summary of the arrest.

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NEW BUSINESS #4 - General Manager Greg Harman will give a presentation updating the Board with the information requested at the last Board Meeting regarding the costs associated with having the Park Restroom installed in the Tot-Lot area, the costs of repairs to the Annex to get the building up to code compliance, and will seek Board approval/ direction for moving forward with both the park restroom project and the repairs to the Annex. Board Action.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman gave a summary cost comparison of placing a park restroom near the Tot Lot as opposed to the Windsor Cul de Sac, noting that placing a restroom in any location other than the Windsor Cul de Sac would result in a cost increase of \$270,000 to \$385,000. General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman also noted that the Windsor Cul de Sac location was approved by the Board of Directors in 2005 in the Park Master Plan.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman gave a summary of the Annex inspection reports and determined the estimated cost to get the Annex Building up to code compliance would be between \$15,000 and \$17,000, plus an additional \$30,000 for foundation improvements.

BOARD COMMENTS

The Board discussed the convenience of having a restroom closer to the Tot Lot, but acknowledged that it would be far too expensive. The Board also addressed concerns brought up by Windsor residents about the restroom being unsightly and discussed suggestions that might accommodate their concerns.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ciara Wood, resident, commented that she is a former KPPCSD Board member and worked with Jack Griffith on the Park Master Plan, noting that getting someone in a wheelchair up the slope in the park is simply not possible.

Vida Dorroh, resident, commented that other parks intentionally place their restrooms a good distance away from play areas to discourage young persons from using the restrooms as a "second playground".

Ciara Wood, resident, asked the Board if they will officially declare that the restroom will be placed in the Windsor Cul de Sac location, ending further discussion on the matter.

Jack Griffith commented that resident Gretchen Gillfillan inquired about changing tables in the restroom, and that this would be difficult as it would require a custom design and can be problematic for sanitary reasons.

MOTION: The Board moves to authorize General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman to go forward with the Board's prior decision and move forward on the restroom project as proposed.

AYES: Wright, Toombs, McLaughlin, Kosel, Stein

NOES: 0

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General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman suggested possibly holding off on the foundation work on the Annex building, bringing repairs costs down to approximately \$15,000. General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman also proposes to complete the necessary repairs to the Annex building and then anonymously contact the building inspector to report a code violation to ensure there are no additional repairs needed to bring the building up to code.

BOARD COMMENTS

Director Wright commented that General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory will need direction as to what the Board's vision for the Annex Building is.

MOTION: The Board moves to task General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman with finding the necessary professionals to get a work up of what repairs the Annex Building requires to bring it up to code.

AYES: Wright, Toombs, McLaughlin, Kosel, Stein

NOES: 0

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman will draft a letter to be reviewed by our attorneys informing the Sautmans that the Annex Building will not be made available to them for their proposed childcare center.

NEW BUSINESS #5 - Discussion for possible adoption Resolution 09-10, a Resolution approving the form of and authorizing the execution and delivery of a purchase and sale agreement and related documents with respect to the sale of the seller's Proposition 1A receivable from the State; and directing and authorizing certain other actions in connection therewith. Board Action.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman gave a summary of the proposed resolution.

MOTION: The Board moves to adopt Resolution 09-10.

AYES: Wright, Toombs, McLaughlin, Kosel, Stein

NOES: 0

NEW BUSINESS #6 - Discussion for possible adoption an Initiative Ordinance intended to ensure that no action can be taken to disband or eliminate the District's independent police department, or to subcontract, assign or delegate the District's police protection and law enforcement responsibilities, without prior voter approval. Board Action.

BOARD COMMENTS

Director Stein gave a summary of the Initiative Ordinance, noting that the Board can either accept the initiative as-is or make a decision within the next ten days to hold a Special Election. The Board discussed the proposed initiative.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Dorroh, resident, commented that he is responsible for the language of the Initiative Ordinance and noted that the intent was not to tie the Board's hands. He also commented that the Board has nearly 1,000 more voters who are now aware of the District's financial situation.

Kathy Stein, resident, commented that this has been an educational process and the Board now has a more informed electorate.

MOTION: The Board moves to adopt the proposed Initiative statement.

AYES: Wright, Toombs, McLaughlin, Stein

NOES: Kosel

NEW BUSINESS #7 - General Manager/ Chief of Police Greg Harman will request the Board consider a request by Mike Long, Troop 100 Scoutmaster, to allow the Chief of Police to apply for the position of Troop 100's Charter Organization Representative. Board Action.

General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman summarized the application process, noting that he would feel more comfortable having approval from the Board prior to proceeding.

BOARD COMMENTS

The Board commented that we have been supporting the Boy Scouts actively and that they participated in many projects involving the park.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Linda Lipscomb, resident, noted that KIC has actively supported the Boy Scouts and expressed concern over the fact that General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman is called upon for numerous projects and is possibly being spread too thin.

MOTION: The Board moves to allow General Manager / Chief of Police Gregory Harman to apply for Troop 100's Charter Organization Representative position.

AYES: Wright, Toombs, McLaughlin, Kosel, Stein

NOES: 0

MOTION: President Toombs moves to adjourn the meeting at 9:20pm.

AYES: Wright, Toombs, McLaughlin, Kosel, Stein

NOES: 0