



**CITY OF PASADENA
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2012
PASADENA CITY HALL
100 NORTH GARFIELD AVENUE
CITY HALL GRAND CONFERENCE ROOM – S038**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be held on Monday, August 6, 2012, at 4:15 p.m. in the Pasadena City Hall Grand Conference Room – S038 (located in the Basement). The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA** (Please limit comments to 3 minutes each.)
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
4. **INFORMATION ITEMS**
 - A. Review of Police Agency Oversight Models (Presentation)*
 - B. July 4th Fireworks Enforcement (Presentation)*
 - C. Aggressive Homeless Issues in Old Pasadena (Oral)
 - D. Dangerous Dog Breeds – Update (Oral)
5. **ADJOURNMENT**

**STEVE MADISON, Chair
Public Safety Committee**

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INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Review of Police Agency Oversight Models*

B. July 4th Fireworks Enforcement*

Item 4.A
Review of Police Agency Oversight Models



Police Department- Audits & Inspections Unit

Review of Police Agency Oversight Models

Analysis and Survey

Phillip L. Sanchez
Chief of Police





Overview

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

- Over the last twenty years, cities and counties have experimented with different types of civilian oversight.

» [USDOJ Citizen Review of Police.: Approaches and Implementation](#)

- Most of these oversight bodies are Civilian Review Boards and advisory in nature.

» [Civilian Oversight of the Police in the United States by Merrick Bobb](#)

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Overview

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

- **Note:** Of the 308+ city and county law enforcement agencies in California, *fewer than 30 (<10%)* have any form of civilian or external review panels.

» National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement

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Review Levels

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

- **City Council Public Safety Sub-Committees**
- **Independent Monitors/Investigators**
- **Civilian Review Boards**
- **Compulsory Monitoring and Reform**

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Review Levels

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

- Southern California City Councils with Public Safety Sub-Committees* that are created by ordinance:
 - Pasadena
 - Riverside
 - Torrance

*Comprised of City Council members

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Review Levels

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

- **Independent Monitors/Investigators**
 - Monitors given access to files, records, and personnel in order to critically review and publicly comment on the performance of the police.*
 - ***Example: Office of Independent Review (LASD)**
- **Civilian Review Boards**
 - Generally, their authority is restricted to:
 - Reviewing completed internal police investigations and providing formal commentary to the Chief of Police.
 - **Example: Personnel Advisory Commission* (Covina)** **personnel issues only—no incident review*

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Types of Review

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

- **Compulsory Monitoring and Reform**
 - Federal statutory remedies can mandate investigation and reform if a law enforcement agency:
 - refuses to cooperate,
 - resists a civilian review board or other outside investigatory body, and
 - persists in using excessive force
 - **Example: Office of the Inspector General, Police Commission (LAPD)**

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Civilian Review in the San Gabriel Valley

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

Police Department	No Civilian Review	Civilian Review	Type
Alhambra	X		
Arcadia	X		
Azusa	X		
Baldwin Park	X		
Claremont		x	Police Commission- Established by ordinance. Facilitates dialog on community issues of concern regarding the PD. Members appointed by Mayor.
Covina		x	Personnel Advisory on city employee discipline (not on police incidents)
El Monte		x	Same as Covina

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Civilian Review in the San Gabriel Valley

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

Police Department	No Civilian Review	Civilian Review	Type
Glendale	X		
Glendora	X		
Irwindale	X		
Monrovia	X		
Monterey Park	X		
Pomona	X		
San Gabriel	X		
San Marino	X		
South Pasadena	X		
West Covina	X		
Whittier	X		

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Civilian Review in Southern California

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

Police Department	Type
Long Beach	<u>Citizen Complaint Commission</u> - Receives, administers, conducts investigations, makes findings and recommendations to the City Manager who has final authority
Riverside	<u>Community Police Review Commission</u> - independently reviews citizen complaints, recommends changes in policy. Independent investigation of complaints then makes recommendations to Chief
Burbank	<u>Fire & Police Commission</u> - Mayor appointees, initiates studies and surveys on police science and reports findings to City Council. Advises on policy, receives complaints, audits non-confidential police documents
Inglewood	<u>Police Oversight Commission</u> - Complaint intake, police investigation, review and recommendation re: findings and discipline
LAPD	<u>Office of the Inspector General/Police Commission</u>
LASD	Ombudsman/ O.I.R.



Conclusion

Police Department- Audits and Inspections Unit

- Among most California law enforcement agencies (excluding LAPD and LASO), civilian oversight is purely advisory.
- The Pasadena City Council's Public Safety Committee and the Pasadena Police Department together currently *exceed* industry standards with respect to civilian oversight.

» Sources:

- » [Civilian Oversight of the Police in the United States](#) by Merrick Bobb. Merrick Bobb has monitored the LASD for seven years and is the founding director of the Police Assessment Resource Center (PARC)
- » [USDOJ: Citizen Review of Police: Approaches and Implementation](#)
- » National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement, SOURCES:
- » Informal Telephone Survey by Corporal McKinney

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Item 4.B
July 4th Fireworks Enforcement



Fire & Police Departments

July 4th Fireworks Enforcement

Kevin Costa, Deputy Fire Chief

Bruce George, Lieutenant, Special Events





Fire Prevention Activities-Rose Bowl

Fire & Police Departments

- **Enforcement Detail / Americafest**
 - > 15 Personnel (14 Fire / 1 Police Officer)
 - > Seven enforcement teams (Toll Plaza's) 1300-1700
 - Contact made with all vehicles entering the Arroyo
 - Distributed "No Fireworks" handouts
 - 20,000 contacts
 - > Seven enforcement teams (Parking Lots) 1700
 - Posted "No Fireworks" signage
 - Suppress and confiscate fireworks (3 lbs. confiscated)
 - Patrol for spot fires
 - Monitored BBQs and open flames



Definitions

Fire & Police Departments

- **Safe & Sane Fireworks**

The term “safe and sane” fireworks became popular in the late 1950s and 1960s as a way to describe those fireworks that don’t fly, travel or explode. For example, fountains, sparklers, snakes and smoke effects, ground spinners, snap pops and other novelty fireworks fit this description. However, firecrackers, rockets, roman candles, shells and other aerial effects are not usually considered safe and sane fireworks. The determination of what fireworks will bear the official “*Safe & Sane*” seal is determined by the state and city as every jurisdiction has its own specific definition of what are considered Safe & Sane fireworks under their laws and ordinances.





Citywide Enforcement

Fire & Police Departments

- **No Fireworks are legal in the City of Pasadena**
 - > City of Pasadena Ord. 6578
 - > Pasadena Municipal Code 14.30
- **Enforcement**
 - > Sting operations with ice cream vendors, store fronts, buy/bust program, high-visibility of companies
- **Community Outreach**
 - > Press Conference & Press Releases



Statistics

Fire & Police Departments

Fire Department

Reporting Period- July 4-5, 2012 (0700-0700)

- Fireworks related fires 0
 - Fireworks related injuries 0
 - Citywide incidents
 - > Emergency Medical Services 34
 - > Vehicle Accidents 4
 - > Structure Fires 0
 - > Rescue 3
 - > Vehicle Fire 1
 - > Fire Alarms 4
 - > Public Assistance 2
 - > **Citizen Complaints (Fireworks) 22** (using seven digit number to Verdugo Dispatch)
 - > Good Intent 1
 - > Dispatched and Cancelled 2
- 75



Statistics cont.

Fire & Police Departments

Police Department

Reporting Period- July 4-5, 2012 (0700-0700)

Police Calls For Service Regarding Fireworks

- Citywide incidents
 - > Group Disturbance 1
 - > Explosives 1
 - > Extra Service Request 4
 - > Illegal Fireworks 77
 - > Fireworks Heard Only 1
 - > Police Advised/Heard Only 38
 - > Police dispatched 99
 - > PD Request for PFD Response 23
 - > PPD On View 1
 - > Grand Total 245



District 3 Community Meeting

Fire & Police Departments

- **Thursday July 26, 2012**
 - > Councilmember Holden, DFC Costa, Lt. Hetteema
- **Comments / Recommendations:**
 - > “No Fireworks Signs”
 - > Fireworks hotline versus 9-1-1
 - > Community policing w/ PPD
 - > Interagency cooperation (LASD, LAPD, FBI)
 - > Partner with pyrotechnic experts on illegal fireworks
 - > Illegal vending
 - > Police / Fire enforcement teams
 - > “No Tolerance”
 - > Update the community