

ITEM 7B

**Public Safety Committee
Special Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2022**



The audio file for this meeting can be found at: <http://www.cvag.org/audio.htm>

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** - The special meeting was called to order by Chair Waymond Fermon, City of Indio, at 9:03 a.m. via Zoom videoconference, pursuant to AB 361 and the guidelines for virtual meetings.
- 2. ROLL CALL** - Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Members Present

Aqua Caliente Band of	Councilmember John Preckwinkle III
Cahuilla Indians	Councilmember Raymond Gregory
City of Cathedral City	Councilmember Roger Nuñez
City of Desert Hot Springs	Councilmember Greg Sanders <i>(Arrived during Item 5 via phone)</i>
City of Indian Wells	Mayor Waymond Fermon, Chair
City of Indio	Councilmember John Peña
City of La Quinta	Councilmember Iris Smotrich
City of Rancho Mirage	Councilmember Karina Quintanilla
City of Palm Desert	Juan Perez, Chief Operating Officer
County of Riverside	

Ex-Officio Members Present

Agua Caliente Band of	Robert Bradbury, Emergency Services Manager
Cahuilla Indians	Chief John Muhr
Cathedral City Fire	Chief Mike Washburn
City of Indio Police	Captain Dean Agnoletto
Palm Desert Sheriff's Substation	Chief J. Kevin Nalder
City of Palm Springs Fire	George Crum, Chief of Police
City of Cathedral City Police	Chief Andrew Mills
City of Palm Springs Police	Cristina Castro
Riverside County Probation	Lt. David Wright
Riverside County Sheriff	Commander Dennis Woodbury
California Highway Patrol	

Members & Ex-Officios Not Present

City of Blythe	Councilmember Johnny Rodriguez
City of Coachella	Councilmember Megan Beaman-Jacinto, Vice Chair
City of Palm Springs	Mayor Pro Tem Grace Garner
City of Desert Hot Springs Police	Chief Jim Henson
City of Palm Springs Fire	Chief J. Kevin Nadler
Thermal Sheriff Station	Captain Michael Bianco
U.S. Customs and Border Patrol	Assistant Chief Patrol Agent David Kim
Riverside County Sheriff's Dept.	Sheriff Chad Bianco
Riverside County Fire	Deputy Chief Robert Fish

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember John Peña, City of La Quinta, led the Public Safety Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION

A. Roundtable Discussion on Coachella Valley's Response and Readiness to Active Shooter Situations at Schools and Other Soft Targets – Erica Felci

A presentation on response and readiness to active shooter situations was given by representatives from various agencies. They included the following speakers: The roundtable will feature the following speakers: Indio Police Chief Mike Washburn; Cathedral City Police Chief George Crum; Palm Springs Unified School District's Executive Director of Security and Disaster Preparedness Levaughn Smart; Desert Sands Unified School District's Director of Safety and Security Edward Nacua; Coachella Valley Unified School District's Director of Safety and Security Gus Paiz; and Riverside University Health System-Behavioral Health's Desert Region Adult Services Administrator Jim Grisham.

A robust discussion ensued with members requesting additional information on available resources to share with their individual organizations and constituents.

No vote was taken as this was a discussion item. However, the Committee members requested a future meeting include data and links regarding several specific items, including the 2021 FBI report of active shooter instances, school districts' links to report incidents of concern, and background on training provided at local school districts.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Upcoming Meetings:

Upcoming Meetings:

The next meeting of the **Public Safety Committee** will be held on Monday, September 12, 2022, at 9 a.m. via Zoom webinar.

The next meeting of the **Executive Committee** will be held on Monday, September 26, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom webinar.

7. ADJOURN

Chair Fermon adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Nelson
Executive Assistant/Clerk