

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
CITY OF NORWALK  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
October 7, 2019**

Vice Chair Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, California. Responding to roll call were Vice Chair Gutierrez, Commissioner Hoskins, Commissioner Knieling, and Commissioner Rodriguez. Also in attendance were Grissel Chavez, Public Safety Director; Eric Wosick, Public Safety Lieutenant; and Miguel Lucero, Management Analyst. Chair Chavez was excused absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Chavez called for approval of the minutes from the Public Safety Commission meeting held on August 5, 2019. Commissioner Rodriguez motioned for approval, with Vice Chair Gutierrez seconding the motion.

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Vice Chair Gutierrez, Commissioner Rodriguez, Knieling, and Hoskins**

**NOES: None**

**ABSTAIN: Chair Chavez**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Report- Annual Renewal of Disabled Person's Parking Zones**

Miguel Lucero presented the report on disabled person's parking zones in the City and reported that the final count of blue curbs is 46. This review process will continue every year. Report was received and filed.

**Application for Preferential Parking Zone: 11300 Block of Ferina Street, Between Gridley Road and Graystone Avenue**

Mr. Lucero presented a report on the Preferential Parking application petition for establishment of preferential parking on Ferina Street, between Graystone Avenue and Gridley Road. During public testimony, three residents living in the subject area spoke in favor of the preferential parking request. No residents opposed the preferential parking zone request. Residents stated that the street is often congested with vehicles parked on both sides of Ferina Street and extending to Gridley Road; that vehicles often double park; commuters often litter and leave trash. They also stated that parking availability has further decreased due to a preferential parking area on the other side of Graystone Avenue recently installed.

One resident advised of a nearby property having a high amount of vehicles parking in the

residential area and possibly conducting automotive repairs. Public Safety staff members gathered her information to conduct further investigation.

Commissioner Rodriguez reiterated to residents in attendance that public streets are right of way and that residents must keep this in mind when calling Public Safety for assistance. She advised that Public Safety will continue to do all they can to assist residents.

Being no further discussion, Vice Chair Gutierrez moved and Commissioner Knieling seconded to approve the preferential parking application.

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Vice Chair Gutierrez, Commissioner Rodriguez, Knieling, and Hoskins**

**NOES: None**

**ABSTAIN: Chair Chavez**

**Application for Preferential Parking Zone: 10800 Block of Leffingwell Road (North side), between Studebaker Road and Leibacher Avenue; and 10800 Block of Leffingwell Road (South side), between 10860 Leffingwell Road and Leibacher Avenue**

Mr. Lucero gave a report on the Preferential Parking application for establishment of preferential parking on the north side of 10800 block of Leffingwell Road between Studebaker Road and Leibacher Ave and the south side of 10800 block of Leffingwell between 10860 Leffingwell Road and Leibacher Ave. During public testimony, three residents living in the subject area spoke in favor of the preferential parking request. Residents said that congestion stemmed from nearby apartment tenants on Leffingwell Road and Studebaker Road taking all the parking in front of their homes; resident trash bins have been moved for parking and often obstruct their driveways; trash is often left by individuals parking on the street and cited safety concerns having to park blocks away from their homes. No residents opposed the preferential parking zone request.

Being no further discussion, Vice Chair Gutierrez moved and Commissioner Hoskins seconded to approve the preferential parking application.

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES: Vice Chair Gutierrez, Commissioner Rodriguez, Knieling, and Hoskins**

**NOES: None**

**ABSTAIN: Chair Chavez**

**STAFF COMMENTS**

**Coyote Management Plan**

Grissel summarized the Coyote Management plan that was adopted by City Council at the September 17 meeting. She also reviewed the efforts to monitor, document, and manage

coyote sightings with the assistance of the community through calling in sightings to the Public Safety office and reporting them through the City website. The goal is to develop an updated map of coyote sightings/interactions, accessible to the public, to provide education. Grissel also advised the Commission of a training that will be conducted by the State to assist in educating the public in key aspects of the Management Plan such as hazing techniques in a coyote interaction. The dates of the trainings will be advertised through City social media, and website.

### **Public Safety Calendar for October 2019**

Grissel reviewed the Public Safety calendar for the month of October, and highlighted events such as Parent Conference at John Glenn High School; Annual Arturo Sanchez Sr. Halloween Parade; Paint, Pumpkin and Coffee event; and the Halloween Festival.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Gutierrez advised that on September 21, he called to report a car burglary to the Norwalk Station. He mentioned that it took the Deputies over five hours to respond to take the report. Grissel advised she would follow up with the Sheriff Station. Vice Chair Gutierrez advised he did not need to be contacted by Sheriff personnel.

Vice Chair Gutierrez also commented on the increase of preferential parking petitions and Grissel suggested inviting the Community Development Director to attend the next Commission meeting to speak on parking regulation requirements and business/apartment impact to parking.

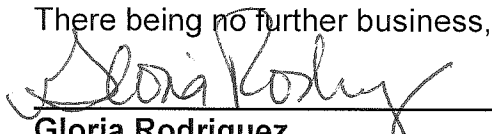
Commissioner Knieling shared a recent coyote interaction and mentioned that the Coyote Management Plan will assist in documenting key locations that residents can pay extra attention to. She also reported a traffic collision at Firestone Boulevard and Orr & Day Road caused by possible car running the red light. This was a location she previously reported to Grissel for LASD traffic enforcement.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no persons wishing to address the Commission.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Vice Chair Gutierrez adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

  
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**Gloria Rodriguez**  
**Public Safety Commission**