



**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, November 10, 2025
6:00 P.M.**

**West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room - Council Chambers
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard
West Hollywood, CA 90069**

1) CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harrison called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Harrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3) ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Eng
Commissioner Hallman
Commissioner Nickle
Commissioner Pilarski
Commissioner Post
Vice Chair Blau
Chair Harrison

Commissioners Absent:

None

Others Present:

Danny Rivas, City Community Safety Director; Anita Shandi, City Public Safety Manager; Assistant Fire Chief Drew Smith, Los Angeles County Fire Department; Client Manager Alan Gonzales and General Manager, Valerie Chavez, Allied Universal Security Services; Sergeant Jason Duron, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Approve the agenda of November 10, 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hallman, seconded by Vice Chair Blau, and approved by the Commission.

5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: Approve the minutes of October 27, 2025.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Blau, seconded by Commissioner Post, with Commissioner Pilarski abstaining, and approved by the Commission.

6) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Anita Goswami, a West Hollywood resident, spoke about concerns related to zoning, and recent changes to the development planning process..

Stephanie Harker, a West Hollywood resident, commented on street lighting on Vista Street and expanded on the previous speaker's concerns. She noted parking and safety concerns related to the Fountain Avenue project.

7) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

8) NEW BUSINESS

8A. LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

Chief Smith reported on the busy but successful turnout of the recent West Hollywood Halloween event and presented the October 2025 monthly fire activity report, which included totals for fires, emergency medical calls, hazardous materials incidents, hazardous conditions, service calls, and good intent calls. He also responded to questions previously raised by the Commission regarding the distinctions between different fire categories and provided a comparison of fire statistics between 2024 and 2025.

Members of the Commission inquired about other types of service calls and expressed their appreciation after attending the recent Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training.

Kevin Burton, a West Hollywood resident, expressed concerns about the area near the performance stages set up during the Halloween Carnival events.

Chief Smith responded to all the Commission's questions and comments.

8B. SECURITY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORT

Manager Chavez presented the October 2025 monthly Security Ambassador report, which included updates on hospitality assistance, business contacts, unhoused contacts, calls for service, safety escorts, improper placement of scooters, Sheriff's assistance, and EMS/Fire responses. She also provided an overview of their deployment during the Halloween events.

The Commission asked several questions and provided feedback, including inquiries about street vendors during Halloween, data comparisons, staffing levels, and the potential for increased patrols in key areas. They also inquired about the public use of the safety escort service, asked about daily deployment numbers, and active shooter training.

Kevin Burton, a West Hollywood resident, shared his observations of the busy streets during the Halloween events and suggested that Security Ambassadors be positioned near high-traffic intersections.

Helen Krieger, a West Hollywood resident emphasized the importance of Ambassadors modeling safe bicycle riding for the public.

Manager Chavez and Manager Gonzales responded to all the Commission's questions and comments.

8C. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WEST HOLLYWOOD STATION MONTHLY REPORT

Sergeant Duron presented the Sheriff's report for October, which included an overview of calls for service, emergency responses, total arrests, and a percentage breakdown of Part 1 and Part 2 crimes citywide. He also provided updates on pickpocket incidents and submissions to the Sheriff's Online Reporting Tracking System (SORTS). Sergeant Duron commented on the strong turnout at the recent Halloween event and thanked the City and all public safety partners for their help in making it a fun and safe event.

The Commission requested updates on the recent armed street robberies, inquired about recent undercover operations and the resulting arrest, and provided information

on available resources for drink-spiking test kits. They also inquired about upcoming special enforcement efforts, the potential for additional DUI grant funding, and requested an update on a fatal hit-and-run case.

Sergeant Duron responded to all the Commission's questions and comments.

8D. 2026 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

The Commission reviewed the proposed 2026 meeting schedule, noting the regular meeting dates set for the fourth Monday of each month as outlined in the Commission bylaws, as well as the adjusted dates scheduled to accommodate holiday conflicts.

Manager Shandi and Director Rivas responded to all the Commission's questions and comments.

9) ITEMS FROM STAFF

Manager Shandi provided updates from the Public Safety Division, including information on the upcoming active shooter community training and a recap of the successful Halloween event.

10) PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

11) COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chair Harrison commended the City and its public safety partners for the effective planning and execution of the large-scale Halloween event, noting that their efforts helped ensure a safe celebration without any major incidents.

Commissioner Hallman shared his experience attending a recent Social Justice Advisory Board meeting, where he serves as the liaison on behalf of the Commission, and provided an update on their upcoming work plan.

Commissioner Post thanked everyone who contributed to the City's Halloween event, and highlighted the importance of reviewing emergency response plans, including fire preparedness.

Commissioner Pilarski commended the hard work that went into the recent Halloween events and spoke about the importance of traffic safety. She also inquired about upcoming Neighborhood Watch Captain meetings and the City's seismic retrofit priorities.

Commissioner Nickle asked for an update on previously raised streetlight issues under Southern California Edison's purview and announced that advisory stickers for City

establishments will soon be available from the District Attorney's Office. He concluded by announcing his departure from the Public Safety Commission, as he will be moving out of the City.

Chair Harrison thanked Commissioner Nickle for his service on the Commission.

Manager Shandi and Director Rivas responded to all the Commission's questions and comments.

12) ADJOURNMENT

The Public Safety Commission adjourned at 7:03 P.M. to the next Adjourned Regular Meeting on December 8, 2025.

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Bill Harrison

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Public Safety Commission Chair

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Jessica Anukam

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Public Safety Commission Secretary

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