

## MINUTES

City of Pacifica  
 Emergency Preparedness & Safety Commission  
 2075 Coast Highway  
 Pacifica, CA 94044

DATE: October 20, 2021

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

### ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Salisbury, Hladky, Johnson, Erbacher, Taverna,  
 Blackburn, Hitz, Lotridge, Gasanyan

Commissioners Absent: None

Council Liaison Present: Council Member Bigstyc

Ex Officio Members Present: None

Ex Officio Members Absent: Machado, Peppers, Fleming

STAFF PRESENT: Captain Clements

### **CORONA VIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) NOTICE**

Read by Captain Clements

#### APPROVAL

OF MINUTES: The minutes for September 15, 2021 meeting were approved.

#### APPROVAL

OF AGENDA: The agenda for October 20, 2021 meeting was approved.

### **COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Blackburn, recently retired from FEMA, spoke about flood risk in some parts of Pacifica. He referenced the City equalization basin project that was specifically undertaken to reduce flood risk in the community. He also encouraged community

members to research their flood insurance rating under the recently updated FEMA flood risk rating system.

Commissioner Salisbury inquired about FEMA provided fire insurance. Commissioner Blackburn replied FEMA does not provide fire insurance. Fire insurance information may be found on the Wildfire Preparedness page on the City website, [cityofpacific.org](http://cityofpacific.org).

Commissioner Lotridge announced he will be resigning from the commission next year, prior to the end of his term, because he will be relocating.

Commissioner Salisbury promoted COVID-19 testing being offered at Seton Medical Center, 1850 Sullivan Ave, in Daly City, from 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Those interested may register online, however walk ups are also welcome. Results are typically available within 24-48 hours. No medical insurance is required.

Commissioner Johnson spoke about the planned COVID-19 vaccination clinic that was recently announced will be located at the San Mateo County Event Center. Additional information on COVID vaccine clinics may be found at the [smchealth.org](http://smchealth.org) website.

Commissioner Erbacher encouraged community members to consider receiving the annual flu vaccination. More information may be found at the [smchealth.org](http://smchealth.org) website.

**EX-OFFICIO COMMENTS:** None

**COUNCIL LIASION COMMENTS:**

Council Member Bigstycyk expressed his appreciation to the commissioners and their work in service to the community. He announced recent interviews were conducted for new commission appointees, and council members would vote on the appointments at the upcoming meeting. Council Member Bigstycyk expressed his appreciation to Commissioner Hitz for his work on the commission during his term.

**STAFF COMMENTS:** Staff Report from Captain Clements

- Sept 22 SMCDEM Wildfire/ Tsunami Evacuation Plan update meeting #9
- Sept 27 Post on social media NWS Beach Hazards Statement
- Sept 28 SMC Co Emergency Managers Assoc.- SMC Co. Large Animal Evac Group pres.
- Sept 28 EQP Course by CERT via Zoom
- Sept 29 SMCDEM Wildfire/ Tsunami Evacuation Plan update meeting #10
- Oct 6 SMCDEM Wildfire/ Tsunami Evacuation Plan update meeting #11
- Oct 6 SMC Co. Exercise Plan Meeting Golden Eagle Nov. 3
- Oct 13 SMCDEM Wildfire/ Tsunami Evacuation Plan update meeting #12
- Oct 20 SMCDEM Wildfire/ Tsunami Evacuation Plan update meeting #13
- Oct 21 Great Shake Out Earthquake Drill- local schools participation/ home plans
- Oct 28 SMC Co Emergency Managers Assoc. meeting

Captain Clements asked Commissioners for feedback on conducting Commission meetings in a virtual format until January 2022, to be reported back to City Clerk Coffey and reported to City Council at the upcoming meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Hitz indicated the beach trail signage project was in the hands of the Parks, Beaches & Recreation Department, and considered the topic closed for this commission.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioners discussed continuing meetings in a virtual format based upon the City Council recommendation. Commissioners shared their thoughts on measures such as requiring face coverings, requiring proof of vaccination, their health concerns about in person meetings, and the value of in person meetings. Commissioners decided meeting in a virtual format for the remainder of 2021 and reevaluating the situation in 2022 was the best course of action. They also wanted to know what safety measures were being considered by City Council in order to return to in person meetings. Council member Bigstycck shared that these measures were still being discussed.

Commissioners discussed increasing the reach of promoting the CERT Earthquake Preparedness Class presented recently by Commissioner Hitz in a virtual format. Several commissioners provided useful suggestions.

The Commission Chair and all Commissioners recognized and expressed their appreciation to Commissioner Breck Hitz for his service during his term. Commissioner Hitz shared he intendeds to continue to serve the community in his role as the volunteer coordinator with the Pacifica CERT program.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** November 17, 2021