

July 23, 2009

To: Honorable Mayor Gayle McLaughlin
Members of the City Council

From: Meeting of the Public Safety and Public Services Standing Committee

SUBJECT: SUMMARY
Meeting of the Public Safety and Public Services Standing Committee
Thursday, July 23, at 3:05 p.m.

Present: Chair Bates, Councilmembers Ritterman, and Councilmember Viramontes

Absent: None

Status report and direction to staff regarding the East Bay Radio Communication System Authority project Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) of various cities and other public safety organizations.

OUTCOME:

Report back on the first meeting in September.

Discussion and direction to staff regarding the installation schedule of LED street lights.

- Councilmember Bates stated that the project should be moved on to install the lights and would like an update on the project. Would like lights on the Richmond Parkway to reduce the thief going on the parkway.
- City Engineer Rich Davidson spoke on the item. He stated that they just purchase the fixtures for the light. Working with the Police Department to find the areas that are “the hot spots areas”. Still doesn’t have a date on the schedule in the light fixtures on the streets.

OUTCOME:

On motion of Councilmember Ritterman, seconded by Councilmember Viramontes appointed Councilmember Bates as Chair and Councilmember Viramontes as Vice Chair by the unanimous vote of the Committee.

Discussion and direction to staff regarding safety concerns at the Richmond Main Library.

- Councilmember Viramontes stated that she wants an overview of the safety issue with the main library.

- Library Department staff spoke on the item. She stated that this is the third time that the library was a safety hazard.
- Risk Management Robyn Kain stated the tiles are loose and they hired a consultant to help with the problem and the project will be done by the Fall.
- Public Works Yader Bermudez stated that the Public Works staff is protect with gear while working in the library.

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OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers for Public Comment.

FUTURE ITEMS:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.