CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Present: Bryan Thomas, Joseph Boyle, Alan Hart, Michael Lacadie, Ray Dotson Sheri Badger and Julio Perez-Tanahashi

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Excused: Aaron Young

Public Safety Advisory Committee Members Absent: Lonnie Lai

City Councilmember Present: Marie Barth

Fire Department Staff Present: Karl Roth

Lakewood Youth Council Present: Riki Takeuchi.

Staff Present: Assistant Chief Mike Zaro, Committee Staff Support, Joanna Nichols, Administrative Assistant.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ray Dotson motioned to approve the October minutes. All ayes; minutes were approved.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The meeting agenda was switched around to accommodate new Assistant City Attorney, Kimberly Cox, coming to speak/address a few questions for the Committee. PSAC explained to Ms. Cox that they were looking into, and hopefully suggesting edits to, the Shopping Cart Ordinance as well as tackling, and possibly creating, an Abandoned Homes Ordinance and/or “Wall of Shame.” Discussion ensued. It was decided that Ms. Cox would contact Auburn and Bellevue to discuss how their ordinances/programs were working for them. Bryan Thomas will contact local stores such as Target, Safeway and Discount World to get their input on the shopping cart issue.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Linsey Singleton stated she was there with us again, now working for a different entity and gave brief overview of her new job.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Councilmember Marie Barth told the Committee about LPD’s being awarded the Agency of the Year Award from Taser International. Councilmember Barth also discussed the budget presentation from last Monday night, the Shake Out Drill on October 10th and stated that the Vehicle Licensing Fee had been approved.

Councilmember Marie Barth discussed upcoming projects included the “Gateways Project” which they were currently working on and the US Open which would be coming to Lakewood next year. Discussion ensued.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS

Assistant Fire Chief Karl Roth stated that their numbers were up about 3.4% for the year and discussed their recent fires and events, to include what they would be doing for the US Open and their work with the Sounder Rail crossings.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS

Handout-Crime and Incident Report (September 2014)

Assistant Chief Mike Zaro answered questions regarding the monthly statistics. Alan Hart asked about the prostitution numbers; Assistant Chief Zaro stated he thought the rise was due to an emphasis, but would confirm that and get back to the committee.

Assistant Chief Mike Zaro discussed the US Open and the traffic plan which they had sent to the Department, which called for 38 officers per day. The Department would be reviewing the plan to see what they thought was necessary. Discussion ensued over parking and who would be paying for those 38 officers.
Assistant Chief Mike Zaro stated that we had recently passed our WASPC Accreditation recertification. There had been no public role required this time around, so we did not need PSAC’s assistance, but greatly appreciated their willingness to help.

Assistant Chief Mike Zaro reminded everyone of the Food Drive happening on November 26th from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Joanna Nichols passed around the sign-up sheet. Discussion ensued.

Assistant Chief Mike Zaro gave a hiring update, emphasizing that we need to hire people as soon as possible. Discussion ensued.

Assistant Chief Mike Zaro discussed the Officer Ryan Moody lawsuit which was mentioned in a misleading News Tribune article recently, giving a brief overview of the lawsuit and stating that Officer Moody is a fantastic officer.

Councilmember Marie Barth mentioned last month’s visitors and their concerns about the rash of burglaries in Lakewood. Assistant Chief Mike Zaro assured everyone that the Property ProAc unit was very hard at work on those burglaries and had been using Facebook, with great success, to help identify some of the items which had been recovered recently.

YOUTH COUNCIL COMMENTS

Riki Takeuchi stated that the Youth Council was still working on a safe place for youth to go after dark rather than being out on the streets getting into trouble and that there had been a lot of discussion lately regarding drugs (marijuana in particular) in the high schools and middle schools. Discussion ensued.

The Marysville-Pilchuck High School shooting was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Bryan Thomas reminded everyone about the Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast on December 3rd from 7:30 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall and asked everyone to please RSVP as soon as possible.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

Julio Perez-Tanahashi recapped his District 5/Lake City Neighborhood Association meeting.

Alan Hart recapped the Rebecca Drive Neighborhood Block Watch meeting, stating that the members have some concerns regarding door to door solicitation/solicitors. Discussion ensued, to include a handout which Alan brought from the Neighborhood Association, regarding a solicitation ordinance, in case PSAC might be interested in adding this topic to their work plan. Bryan Thomas asked Assistant City Attorney Kimberly Cox to look into the current ordinance/process so they can discuss it at next month’s meeting.

Joanna Nichols will confirm dates/times for the Springbrook Neighborhood Association meeting for Ray Dotson
ADJOURNMENT

Sheri Badger motioned to adjourn the meeting; all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Public Safety Advisory Committee

Attest:

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Bryan Thomas, Chair         Joanna Nichols / Secretary