

PUBLIC SAFETY and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROJECT STATUS REPORT

<p>CAMERAS AT ALL CITY FACILITIES AND PARKS</p>	<p>Public Safety is taking the lead the process to install video surveillance camera systems at all City and Park facilities. This will assist in deterring criminal activity and behavior and/or provide documented video of any criminal activity which may occur. This will help to reduce criminal activity and provide a safer environment for residents and parks.</p> <p>To provide clarity related to the scope of work involved with this project it was necessary to cancel the initial RFP, have staff respond to all the questions supplied by all the venders and then re-submit the RFP again for bids. We will look to have an item before council at the first City Council Meeting in November.</p>
<p>CITYWIDE FIRE ALARM REPAIR AND UPGRADE</p>	<p>Public Safety is currently in the process of repairing and installing all the fire alarms at all City and Park facilities. The end result is to detect and or provide the necessary resources in the event of fire and provide a safer work environment for employees and residents utilizing these facilities.</p>
<p>PUBLIC SAFETY AWARENESS</p>	<p>The Block Captains program is moving forward with increased public awareness. We have seen an increase of Block Captains Program interest. Staff is focused on obtaining more Block Captains throughout the City.</p> <p>During the fall we plan on hosting our 5th Catalytic Converter Event.</p>
<p>TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REDUCTION ANALYSIS</p>	<p>Public Safety continues to work collaboratively with LASD and Public Works to reduce traffic accidents in the City. The Sheriff has provided traffic accident data and reports covering the last five years for the City of Carson. Staff has created maps of the data and the Traffic Engineering Division will be evaluating the maps to identify any patterns and recommend making any infrastructure changes as needed. The goal of the project is reducing the overall number of traffic accidents in the City. Several recommendations have been provided by the consultant for 11 locations in the City to potentially mitigate the number of traffic accidents based on short and long-term possibilities. The recommendations are still under review at this time and will be presented to City Council for approval at a future meeting. Staff is continuing to analyze past traffic accident data to determine hot spots where accidents have occurred most frequently. A purchase agreement and budget resolution for procuring 4 mobile License Plate Reader Trailers was approved on the May 3 City Council Meeting Consent Agenda. A Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Carson and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department was approved on the May 17 City Council meeting to govern the use of the trailers. The trailers are anticipated for delivery in summer 2022 and will be deployed throughout the City.</p>

<p>RADIO UPGRADE PROJECT</p>	<p>In 2021, the City Council approved the “Radio Upgrade Project” which funded the purchase of radios, radio equipment, batteries and chargers required to transition the City’s use of UHF radio system to the Los Angeles Regional Interoperability Communication System (LA-RICS). The City Council then approved a contract with Mission Critical Information Systems to provide the installation and programming services to complete Phase 2 of the project. In September 2022, the City of Carson executed a Hold Harmless Agreement with LA-RICS allowing the city to utilize the platform.</p> <p>Staff is now working with all impacted city departments to finalize talk-groups (channels) to finalize the programming specifications. Once programmed, radio testing, and deployment will be the final steps of the project.</p>
<p>HAZARD MITIGATION PROJECT</p>	<p>Every five years, FEMA requires jurisdictions to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). This update, the city’s second, is overdue. This plan identifies natural and human-caused hazards that the city is or may be vulnerable to and outlines mitigation or risk reduction strategies for incidents and events.</p> <p>Staff have secured funding through FEMA’s Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, which provides funding for the update/development of the plan. As a result, a Request for Proposals was published on 10/06/22 and closed 10/20/22.</p> <p>The City’s evaluation and selection process will be conducted in accordance with the City's Municipal Code. In accordance with the Code, the proposer shall be determined based on evaluation of qualitative factors in addition to cost. A panel has been selected and is in the final steps of the selection process.</p>
<p>EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC) UPGRADE PROJECT</p>	<p>Staff is currently in the planning stages of the project. The initial scope of work only included the upgrade of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). In planning for the new layout, it was determined that Public Safety, Information Technology, and Emergency Services could benefit from the upgrade as well. The new scope of work now includes upgrades for all four areas.</p>