## PUBLIC SAFETY and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROJECT STATUS REPORT

CAMERAS AT ALL CITY FACILITIES AND PARKS	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. Two proposals were submitted by vender through the RFP process. An agenda item to make a vender selection will be brought before council in March 2023.
CITYWIDE FIRE ALARM REPAIR AND UPGRADE	Public Safety is currently in the final phase 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.
PUBLIC SAFETY AWARENESS	The Block Captains program is moving forward with increased public awareness. We have seen an increase of Block Captains Program interest. Staff continues to focus on obtaining more Block Captains throughout the City.  The Coyotes Awareness program continues to move forward with residential education and outreach. Staff continues to hold meeting throughout the City with the support of the City Council.  The Public Safety Engagement Officers and their programs have been a huge success. In the past few months, they have been successful in removing several unhoused individuals from the streets via voluntary compliance and helped to identify several others in need of more mental or medical assistance.
TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REDUCTION ANALYSIS	Public Safety continues to work collaboratively with LASD and Public Works to reduce traffic accidents in the City. The purchase of 4 mobile License Plate Reader Trailers approved on May 3, 2022, has proven to be not only a speeding deterrent but also a useful tool for our sheriffs to help identify other criminals and activity. The Trailers are currently being deployed throughout the City.
RADIO UPGRADE PROJECT	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.

Update: Radio testing concluded with no major issues. Talk groups (channels) have been finalized and all radios have been programmed.

Radio distribution has commenced and will conclude 3/2. Staff is currently working with roofing contractor to install BDA system which will enhance in-building radio frequency and signal coverage. HAZARD Every five years, FEMA requires jurisdictions to update the Hazard **MITIGATION** Mitigation Plan (HMP). This update, the city's second, is overdue. This plan **PROJECT** 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. 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. On 1/3/2023 City Council awarded a contract to the vendor selected by the RFP Review Panel. Staff is now in the process of contract execution. Update: Staff is working with Witt O'Brien and Risk Management to solidify sufficient liability insurance before beginning work. **EMERGENCY** Staff is currently in the planning stages of the project. The initial scope of work only included the upgrade of the Emergency Operations Center **OPERATIONS** (EOC). In planning for the new layout, it was determined that Public Safety, CENTER (EOC) Information Technology, and Emergency Services could benefit from the **UPGRADE** 

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upgrade as well. The new scope of work now includes upgrades for all four areas.

Update: Staff has received and confirmed final design layout. Architect is currently confirming basement dimensions to share with wall system manufacturer.

Staff is scheduled to meet with manufacturer on structural needs for the layout such as demo, construction, and design options to secure cost estimates.

**EMERGENCY** PREPAREDNESS. COMMUNITY **INITIATIVES** 

## Civilian Academy for the Community – March/TBD

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department – Carson Station will be hosting a Civilian Academy for the citizens that live or work in the City of Carson and the surrounding unincorporated County areas. The academy is a 10-week course, which meets once a week in the evening. This is an excellent opportunity for community members to learn, gain knowledge and be educated on the responsibilities, procedures and guidelines that we are governed by. Members of the Department will explain daily job functions and share some training. The interaction will give those attending a better understanding of department operations.

To register or for more information, please call: Sergeant Hernandez (310)847-8386 or Deputy Valdez (310)847-4019, Deputy Estrada (310)847-8385 or email CARSONCOMREL@LASD.ORG APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023

LA County Sheriff Blood Drive- March 21, 2023

Honor your hero. Be a hero. Donate blood.

Please make an appointment online at RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: CarsonSheriff or sign up with Deputy Valdez at a1valdez@lasd.org

## Sound the Alarm – May 20, 2023

Home fires claim seven lives every day but having working smoke alarms can cut the risk of death by half. The American Red Cross is rallying volunteers to install free smoke alarms nationwide, as part of our Sound the Alarm events. This year the Red Cross will install free smoke alarms, create escape plans and share fire safety information for all City of Carson residents. Join us for a rewarding day at a Sound the Alarm event near you. Make an even greater impact and donate to help families prepare for, respond to and recover from home fires. Registration coming soon. Please be on the lookout for further details.