



CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK

City Manager's Office
City Council Agenda Report

March 16, 2021

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Huntington Park
6550 Miles Avenue
Huntington Park, CA 90255

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council:

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CREATING A BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE ON POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. Create a Citizens' Blue Ribbon Committee to review, evaluate and provide recommendations on Police Department policies, procedures and community relations; and
2. Appoint citizen members to the committee either at this City Council meeting or at a future time and direct staff to coordinate meetings of the committee to carry out the goals and objectives of the Blue Ribbon Committee.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to create a Blue Ribbon Committee on Police Department Operations ("Committee") with the mission to improve public transparency and accountability with respect to the City Police Department. The Committee will work to enhance, develop, and strengthen community-police relations. The Committee will provide opportunities for community engagement, ongoing analysis and oversight of the City Police Department's policies, practices and procedures, including but not limited to response times, customer service and patrol visibility

The Committee will consist of five (5) members, each Councilmember will appoint one (1) member to the Committee and the term for the Committee will be for six (6) months. All members of the Committee must be residents of the City of Huntington Park.

The Committee's goal is to improve department policies and procedures by identifying areas of concern and subsequently offering recommendations for improvement. The function of the Committee is to: (i) receive community feedback and complaints directed against the police department and its employees; (ii) provide input on police department policy recommendations prior to adoption; and (iii) review and make recommendations

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concerning operations, policies, and procedure to the City Council, the City Manager and the Chief of Police.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no fiscal impact of this action.

CONCLUSION

Upon Council approval, the City Council will appoint members to the Committee either at this Council meeting or at some time in the future and staff will proceed with the recommended actions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ricardo Reyes', with a stylized flourish at the end.

RICARDO REYES
City Manager