PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES (8/01/24 MEETING)

On August 1, 2024, the Public Safety Committee of the SCNC held a regular meeting. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Committee members who were present: Jeff Hartwick (Chair & Corresponding Secretary), Charlotte Larsen (Board Member), Jerry Lewis (Board Member), Patty Kirby (Stakeholder), Jill Anderson (Stakeholder), Luis Oliart (Stakeholder). Quorum established.
- 2. The chair delivered a brief opening statement.
- 3. Public comments were made by Peter Cole and Scott Mandell.
- 4. SLO David Nguyen was unable to attend.
- 6. The first Tuesday of August will be National Night Out. It will be held at Beeman Park. Committee members divided tasks to organize the event.
- 7. Luis Oliart provided an update. He will reach out to Metro regarding bus/Metro safety. A troubling indication is more customers at the Interfaith Food Pantry.
- 8. The committee discussed preparations for National Night Out at Beeman Park. The LAPD, Boy Scouts, Dept. of Public Health, LAFD, and vendors will attend.
- 9. Jerry gave an update about the Neighborhood Leadership Team (NLT) progress.
- 10. A possible motion pertaining to Council File 12-1824-S2, regarding party house enforcement, was discussed. The motion was passed unanimously.
- 11. Discussion of possible motion regarding Council File 24-0140-S1, pertaining to the *City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Johnson*, was held. The motion passed unanimously.
- 12. The committee discussed drafting a potential motion about anti-camping ordinance revisions, such as an escalation strategy and incentives to change behavior.
- 13. A possible request for action about burglaries on Hortense St. was discussed. An RFA will be revisited.
- 14. The committee discussed the combining the Homelessness Committee with the Public Safety Committee. The current Homelessness Committee is inactive. Many of the issues relating to public safety involve the homeless, so it makes sense to combine the two. The committee voted to approve a Public Safety and Homelessness Committee.

- 15. Future topics were discussed.
- 16. The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.