

Law Enforcement Update

Del Mar City Council

March 16, 2015

Introduction

- Report covers three areas:
 1. Status of discussions with Sheriff on the creation of a “small Del Mar Police Department” and other options
 2. Update on added staffing the City will be receiving under the current contract
 3. Request for direction on a study of the Park Ranger Program

Status of Discussions with Sheriff

- Mayor Corti and Council Member Sinnott met with Sheriff Gore and Undersheriff Prendergast to discuss City law enforcement needs
- Sheriff staff and City staff, liaisons and experts to convene task force to discuss three options to enhance law enforcement service:
 1. Form stand-alone Del Mar PD
 2. Partner with the Sheriff's Department – Sheriff contract to continue without traffic enforcement, augmented by small DMPD to handle traffic & low-priority calls
 3. Expand services under the existing Sheriff contract to meet City needs
- Report out by Mayor Corti and Council Member Sinnott

New Sheriff Services Coming Soon

- Current services: 5.32 FTE funded to provide 24/7 coverage with backfill for sick/vacation/training
 - = 4 positions + backfill through overtime
- Added: One position on straight time
- Traffic - One 42 hour position funded at 1.268 FTE – extra 0.268 to be used to fund position shared 50/50 with Solana Beach
- Net increase of 1.5 FTE to Del Mar
- Motorcycle traffic pilot program
 - Two month swap of traffic sedan for traffic motorcycle
 - Extra motorcycle enforcement via overtime hours on two weekends per month, March and April

Park Ranger Program

- Implemented Fiscal Year 2003/2004
- Council had previously approved a study of the Park Ranger Program to ensure the appropriate level of staffing, training, supervision, and operating policy and procedures
- Decision for Council:
 - Proceed with study at this time
 - Delay study until completion of Task Force study (90 days) to determine whether there are additional items/information to add to the study

Council Action

- Receive staff report & report out from Mayor Corti and Council Member Sinnott
- Provide any additional input or guidance to Council liaisons and staff on the planned Task Force with the Sheriff
- Provide direction to staff as to when to return with a proposal and funding authorization to complete a study of the Park Ranger program