



## **SARATOGA PUBLIC SAFETY TASK FORCE SPECIAL MEETING**

**MAY 4, 2020**

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### **6:00 P.M. SPECIAL MEETING**

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#### **Teleconference/Public Participation Information to Mitigate the Spread of COVID-19**

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## ROLL CALL

### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

*Any member of the public may address the Public Safety Task Force for up to three (3) minutes on matters not on the Agenda. The law generally prohibits the Public Safety Task Force from discussing or taking action on such items. However, the Public Safety Task Force schedule the item for discussion at a future meeting.*

### AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Public Safety Task Force Minutes

**Recommended Action:**

Review and approve the draft minutes from the April 6, 2020 meeting.

2. Wildfire Risk Mitigation Fund (Work Plan Item)

**Recommended Action:**

Receive input from the Saratoga Council Finance Committee on the Task Force's recommendation to create a \$50,000 Wildfire Risk Mitigation Reserve Fund in the Fiscal Year 2020/21 budget and consider any changes to the recommendation prior to the City Council Budget Study Session on May 11.

3. Mobile LRAD & Visual Messaging for Emergency Communications (Work Plan Item)

**Recommended Action:**

Consider whether to recommend that the City Council allocate funds in the Fiscal Year 2020/21 budget to purchase a mobile LRAD and/or visual messaging equipment to be used for emergency communications to the City Council.

4. Santa Clara County FireSafe Council Funding, Incentive Program, Fuel Break Projects, and Increased Chipping (Work Plan Item)

**Recommended Action:**

Consider whether to recommend that the City Council increase funding in the Fiscal Year 2020/21 budget for the Santa Clara County FireSafe Council from \$25,000 per year to expand services, offer a incentive program for dead tree removal, defensible space, or other wildfire risk mitigation efforts, fuel break projects, and/or increased chipping services.

5. Review Work Plan

**Recommended Action:**

Review the adopted Task Force Work Plan.

6. Future Agenda Items

**Recommended Action:**

Consider agenda items for upcoming meetings. The next regular Task Force meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2020.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Signed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2020 at Saratoga, California.

Crystal Bothelio, Assistant City Manager

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