

RESOLUTION NO. 026-2023

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
HAWAIIAN GARDENS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CLARIFYING THE PUBLIC
SAFETY COMMISSION'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

WHEREAS, the City of Hawaiian Gardens ("City") is a municipal corporation, duly organized under the constitution and laws of the State of California;

WHEREAS, Chapter 6.32 of Title 6 of the Hawaiian Gardens Municipal Code, adopted via Ordinance No. 301, created and established the Public Safety Commission of the City;

WHEREAS, Chapter 6.32.040 of the Hawaiian Gardens Municipal Code charges the Public Safety Commission with the responsibility of making recommendations regarding matters affecting public health and safety within the City and related matters that may be directed by order of the City Council;

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to clarify the specific duties and responsibilities of the Public Safety Commission to enhance its effectiveness and to foster transparency and understanding among all community stakeholders; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that clarifying the duties and responsibilities of the Public Safety Commission will enhance public understanding of the appropriate channels for addressing matters within the Commission's scope, promote more efficient Commission meetings, and ultimately contribute to the advancement of public safety within the City's boundaries.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Hawaiian Gardens, California, hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The Recitals provided above are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

Section 2. Scope of Duties. In accordance with Title 6, Chapter 6.32 of the Hawaiian Gardens Municipal Code, the City Council clarifies the City's Public Safety Commission responsibilities as follows:

- (a) Matters concerning "public health and safety" shall mean matters relating to the City's emergency preparedness, police and fire services, traffic safety, neighborhood safety, emergency medical services, and animal control.
- (b) Absent direct instruction or guidance from the City Council, and in accordance with Chapter 6.32 of the Municipal Code and this Resolution, Staff Liaison to the Public Safety Commission shall have the authority to

interpret which matters considered by the Commission constitute “public health and safety.”

(c) When making recommendations to the City Council, the Public Safety Commission shall:

- i. Analyze, in partnership with law enforcement and first responders, the best practices in community-oriented policing for the fair treatment, safety, and well-being for all;
- ii. Develop practical recommendations that effectively address the community’s needs;
- iii. Consider the community’s values and objectives in relation to public health and safety within the City;
- iv. Consider citizen input and community concerns; and
- v. Explore and propose alternative policy recommendations to address public health and safety challenges and issues within the City.

Section 3. Attestation. The City Clerk shall attest as to the adoption and execution of this Resolution and cause the same to be maintained in the permanent records of the City.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, by the City Council of the City of Hawaiian Gardens, California, at a regular meeting of the City Council held on this 11th day of July 2023.

CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS

**MARIA TERESA DEL RIO
MAYOR**

ATTEST:

**PABLO RUBIO
CITY CLERK**