



**City of Moreno Valley
Public Safety Subcommittee Meeting
Minutes of August 18, 2026**

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Edward Delgado, Council Member, called the meeting to order at 3:09 PM

The following attendees were present at the meeting:

Subcommittee Members:

Edward Delgado, Council Member

Cheylynda Barnard, Council Member

Staff Members:

Sean Kelleher, Assistant City Manager (Development)

Launa Jimenez, Assistant City Manager (Administration)

Johncito "John" Peraza, Assistant to the City Manager

Mayra Gonzalez, Public Safety Contracts Administrator

Antonio Martinez, Senior Management Analyst

Angelica Frausto-Lupo, Community Development Director

Jaime Juengel, Animal Care Technician Supervisor

Sarah Mack, Chief of Police

Jesse Park, Fire Chief

Edgar Gonzalez, Fire Marshal

Diana Rockot, Emergency Operations & Volunteer Services Division Manager

2. Public Comments

None.

3. Approval of Minutes

ACTION: Council Member Barnard motioned to approve the meeting minutes of June 16, 2026. Council Member Delgado seconded. The motion passed without objection.

4. Advisory Items

a. Updates from Animal Services

Jaime Juengel, Animal Care Technician Supervisor, provided an update on division activities. She reported that 132 pets found homes during June and July through special adoption events.

Ms. Juengel advised that during the week of the Fourth of July, Animal Services experienced a 44 percent reduction in calls for service compared to the previous year, which she attributed in part to continued community partnerships and outreach efforts. She further reported that only 29 dogs have been impounded to date in 2026.

Ms. Juengel noted that Animal Services continues to promote available services through social media. She also reported that veterinarians from the University of California, Davis



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will be collaborating with shelter staff to provide expert guidance and recommendations to further strengthen shelter operations.

Council Member Delgado asked whether calls for service involving burros have decreased. Jaime Juengel, Animal Care Technician Supervisor, confirmed that burro-related calls have declined in the summer months as the animals tend to remain farther inland.

b. Updates from Fire Services

Jesse Park, Fire Chief, reported that the summer season has been hot and active. He stated that prevention efforts appear to be effective within Moreno Valley and noted that much of the recent significant fire activity has originated outside of the City.

Chief Park also reported that illegal fireworks activity appeared to be well controlled within the community during the Fourth of July holiday, resulting in minimal-related calls for service.

Edgar Gonzalez, Fire Marshal, reported that the Fire Prevention Division issued 53 permits, completed 202 plan checks, conducted 203 construction inspections, and performed approximately 399 fire inspection hours during the reporting period. The division also responded to 555 public inquiries and reviewed more than 30,000 square feet associated with development and fire prevention activities.

Mr. Gonzalez reported that two previously vacant positions within the division have now been filled. He advised that annual fire inspections of public and private schools throughout the City will begin next month. Vacant parcel tumbleweed inspections are also scheduled to begin in September, following staff training in August.

Council Member Delgado thanked the Fire Prevention Division for its continued prevention efforts.

Diana Rockot, Emergency Operations & Volunteer Services Division Manager, reported that a citywide tabletop exercise was conducted on August 8, 2026, with participation by staff from across the organization. She announced that a functional exercise is scheduled for the next two weeks and will be the largest Emergency Operations Center exercise conducted by the City to date.

Ms. Rockot reported that CERT training was recently provided to 80 Moreno Valley Unified School District public safety officers, representing the largest training of its kind in Riverside County. She also reported that approximately 150 participants received compression-only CPR training during a recent class and that fire extinguisher training for City staff continues.



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Ms. Rockot further advised that city volunteers are now in Phase II of mass care training. She also reported that OEM participated in the recent National Night Out event by providing emergency preparedness information and resources to the community.

c. Updates from Police Services

Sarah Mack, Chief of Police, reported that the Riverside County Sheriff's Department handled approximately 9,835 calls for service during July 2026, representing an approximately 35 percent increase from June. She noted that year-to-date calls are approximately 500 higher and anticipates that activity will begin to decline after the summer months. She also reported decreases in Priority 3 and Priority 4 calls.

Chief Mack advised that the Sheriff's Department is testing two deputy patrol units at the Lake Mathews Station to determine whether the model improves response times while also reducing fuel consumption and vehicle maintenance costs. She emphasized that the program is currently being evaluated on a trial basis.

Chief Mack reported that Sheriff's personnel participated in the Fourth of July Parade and the recent National Night Out event at Celebration Park. She was appreciative of the invitation and noted that National Night Out was a successful event.

Chief Mack provided an update on the Department's Drone as First Responder (DFR) pilot program, which operated for two weeks during July. She reported that the program conducted 996 flights and assisted with 98 calls for service. In 78 instances, the drone arrived before a responding deputy, and during 43 deployments, it assisted personnel by identifying information relevant to the response.

Chief Mack reported that her department has developed a separate draft DFR policy and emphasized that the technology will not be used for immigration enforcement purposes.

Chief Mack also provided an update on the use of Flock Safety cameras, reporting that the system assisted with 247 calls for service. She highlighted a recent incident in which a suspect vehicle was identified through Flock and subsequently located using DFR technology, resulting in the arrest of a suspect and recovery of a firearm. She also shared an incident in which technology assisted in locating and arresting a suspect wanted for criminal threats, along with other examples of successful investigative outcomes.

Chief Mack advised that with schools back in session, traffic enforcement personnel are again active near school campuses, and deputies continue to be assigned to schools throughout the community.

Chief Mack also reported on a recent behavioral health response involving a suicidal subject. The Community Behavioral Assessment Team (CBAT) responded to the incident, during which the subject pointed a firearm at a CBAT clinician, and an officer-involved shooting occurred. The subject survived and was taken into custody.



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Chief Mack further reported that on June 30, 2026, Deputy Poppy received a lifesaving award for providing lifesaving assistance to a Moreno Valley resident following a motorcycle-related incident. The individual assisted was an Army Ranger.

Council Member Delgado thanked Chief Mack and the Riverside County Sheriff's Department for their continued service and presence at local schools.

Council Member Barnard stated that she looks forward to a future City Council study session to further discuss the benefits and applications of Flock technology.

5. City Manager's Updates

Launa Jimenez, Assistant City Manager (Administration), announced that the next Public Safety Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2026.

6. Sub-Committee Member Comments

Council Member Delgado thanked staff for their continued service to the community.

Council Member Barnard requested confirmation regarding whether the September 15, 2026, meeting would be held. Sean Kelleher, Assistant City Manager (Development), advised that the decision was at the Subcommittee's discretion.

ACTION: Council Member Barnard motioned to cancel the September 15, 2026, Public Safety Subcommittee meeting. Council Member Delgado seconded. The motion carried.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:38 PM



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Prior Meeting Attendance

Subcommittee Member	9/16/25	10/21/25	11/18/25	12/16/25	01/20/26	02/17/26	03/17/26
Council Member Ed Delgado		NM	X	X	X	X	NM
Council Member Cheylynda Barnard	X	NM	X	X	X	X	NM
Mayor Pro Tem Elena Baca – Santa Cruz (Alternate)	X						

Subcommittee Member	04/21/26	05/19/26	06/16/26	07/21/26	08/18/26	09/15/26	
Council Member Ed Delgado	X	X	X	NM	X	NM	
Mayor Pro Tem Cheylynda Barnard	X	X	X	NM	X	NM	
Mayor Pro Tem Elena Baca – Santa Cruz (Alternate)							