REPORT FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Beck reported, on Monday, May 8th, a resident living within Foothill Division, awoke to discover an intruder in her residence who broke into her home. She fled through her bedroom window and contacted LAPD. Foothill officers responded and while looking through one of the windows, the suspect armed himself with a hand gun owned by one of the residents. Officers retreated to contain the residence and contacted SWAT. The house was contained during 5 hours of negotiation, use of tear gas, multiple rounds fired by the suspect at officers, resulting in an OIS involving multiple members of SWAT and canine units. Several rounds were fired from an aerial platform in response to the suspect shooting at the helicopter.

The suspect was wounded and succumbed to his injuries and is pending identification and notification to his relatives. Important for the commission and public to know that the use of the helicopter as a platform is for only a very select cadre of officers assigned to SWAT. It requires approval of a staff level officer. In this case, it was an assistant chief who authorized its use. If any Commissioner is interested, we will arrange a presentation of the training. This training has been occurring monthly for over 10 years and it was the first time it was utilized.

2017 Mayor’s Gun Buyback will be conducted this Saturday between the hours of 10am-2pm. There will be two locations at the Memorial Sports Arena downtown at 3939 South Figueroa, and the other at Facey Medical Group in San Fernando Valley 11165 Sepulveda purchasing unwanted hand guns. Many of the guns used in crime in the City of Los Angeles, specifically gang-related crimes, are guns that are stolen from residences, unwanted guns, or guns that are unsecured or stolen during burglaries. A perfect example, was the officer involved shooting yesterday, had the police department responded in slower fashion, that individual would have taken the multiple handguns from the victim.
Crime stats May 6, 2017 (YTD)

Homicide -2%
Rapes -11.9%
Robberies +3.6%
Aggravated assaults -3.0%
Violent crime -1.4%
Property crime +1.4%
*Aggregate 0.8% increase over last year*

Total number of victims shot down slightly
Gang crime -9.5%
Recovered 1,542 guns +8.3%
*21% greater than 5-year average*

Traffic accidents +2%
Fatalities +9.5%
DUI -9.8%
Hit and runs -1.2%
Motor/vehicle vs. pedestrian fatalities +44%
*49 fatalities/34 in 2016*
bicycle involved traffic accidents -14%
serious bicycle fatalities -28%

9,950 sworn
2,849 civilians
400 reserves
285 specialist and volunteers
8,411 cadets

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** – All items were approved unanimously.

A. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 5, 2017, relative to the donation of ammunition, valued at $4,995.77, from the Valley Traffic Advisory Council, to be utilized for training relative to terrorism, active shooter and other life threatening incidents, for the benefit of Valley Traffic Division, as set forth. [BPC #17-0170]

B. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 5, 2017, relative to a monetary donation in the amount of $50.00, from the Valley Traffic Advisory Council, to be utilized as reimbursement for the Child Passenger Safety re-certification training fee for an officer, for the benefit of Valley Traffic Division, as set forth. [BPC #17-0171]

C. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 5, 2017, relative to a monetary donation in the amount of $1,680.00, from the Los Angeles Dodgers, LLC, to be utilized for food and recreational activities and events, for the benefit of the Harbor Area Cadet Post, as set forth. [BPC #17-0172]

D. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 3, 2017, relative to the destruction of obsolete duplicate records for Newton Area, as set forth. [BPC #17-0173]

E. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 3, 2017, relative to the destruction of obsolete original records for Personnel and Training Bureau, as set forth. [BPC #17-0174]
F. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 3, 2017, relative to the destruction of obsolete original records for Mission Area, as set forth. [BPC #17-0175]

G. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 3, 2017, relative to the destruction of obsolete duplicate records for Central Area, as set forth. [BPC #17-0176]

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS – All items were approved unanimously.

A. DEPARTMENT’S VERBAL UPDATE and DISCUSSION relative to the status of the evaluation of the impact of Body Worn video on personnel complaint investigations and Use of Force.

B. DEPARTMENT’S REPORT, dated May 3, 2017, relative to the follow up response to audits on the use of body worn video and digital in-car video system, as set forth. [BPC #17-0177]

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS – All items were approved unanimously.

LERI #042-16 (Involved Party – P. Arias/Date of Occurrence – 07/19/16)
Tactics – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote
Non-Lethal Use of Force – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote
Lethal Use of Force – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote

OIS #041-16 (Involved Party – V. Sigala/Date of Occurrence – 07/06/16)
Tactics – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote
Drawing/Exhibiting – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote
Lethal use of Force – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote

OIS-Animal #046-16 (Date of Occurrence – 07/28/16)
Tactics – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote
Drawing/Exhibiting – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote
Lethal Use of Force – adopted the Chief’s recommendations in a 5/0 vote

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