

Broadmoor Village Town Hall

501 87th Street, Broadmoor Vlg, CA 94015

October 12, 2023 - 7:00pm | Town Hall Meeting

Location - Community Center 501 87th Street, Broadmoor Vlg, CA 94015

Attendees - District 5 Supervisor David Canepa, LAFCo Board President, LAFCo Representative Rob Bartoli, Broadmoor Property Owners Association President Christine Taliva'a-Aguerre

Minutes

- Supervisor Canepa Opens (7:07)
 - 750,000K would provide 2-3 years of operations for the BPD
 - The district has been around for 75 years
 - Right now we do not have one vote of support from the County Supervisors for this funding
 - We are going to fight to save the Broadmoor Police Department
 - Not convinced that having the Sheriff's office dispatched from millbrae is the best solution for Broadmoor
 - The sheriffs office does not want to come and serve Broadmoor in the current state of staffing
 - The 750K appropriation is not a long term guarantee
 - These are taxpayer dollars and with taxes come accountability
- Public Questions
 - How will the money be accounted for by the supervisors office
 - We are looking at releasing the money in tranches that go directly to operations
 - In concert with the county executive's office
 - Can you give us some background on the PD funding and how we got to this point when we haven't been here in the past?
 - Chief Connolly
 - Braodmoor receives 0.08% of the 1% of the county budget dedicated to the BPD
 - ~1.6 million dollars from taxes, some additional money form ERAF etc. bringing the county funds to ~2.8 million dollars (high twos)
 - Braodmoor PD also have the special assessment the sum of which is ~700,000
 - Total operating budget ~3.2
 - Costs have risen over time and the special assessments etc. + litigation issues have impacted the budget
 - How will 750,000k prevent this from happening again in the future?
 - Supervisor Canepa
 - We need a solid plan built around revenue and parcel taxes
 - Lawsuits against the department have crippled the department

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- We need to think about how we can protect ourselves from future lawsuits
- CalPERS, Litigation, Insurance
- Is the litigation against the department due to egregious actions on the part of the police or are they frivolous actions?
 - Supervisor Canepa
 - Lawsuits have been filed by past personnel. The department has to respond to the lawsuits and defend themselves
 - This has caused an increase in insurance premiums
- How is the amount of budget that goes to Broadmoor determined?
 - The whole budget of San Mateo County covers nearly 800,000 people
 - Broadmoor has always been able to live within the budget until these external factors have come into play
- How do we ensure the money does not go toward continued litigation?
 - The money will not go to CalPERS and is intended only for operations
 - The money is not going to be used for lawyers
- The commission should be in charge of the police, correct?
 - A previous lawsuit addressed concerns that the commission meetings are not transparent
 - Some issues discussed in the meetings cannot be publicly disclosed
- Zoom questions
 - In the 70s we shut down the department temporarily to work out a budget. Why can't we do this now?
 - This was due to a loss in insurance
 - What type of lawsuits is the BPD facing?
 - HR lawsuits
- Close from Christine
- Close from Supervisor Canepa
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