

1                   **LELY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
2                                   **NAPLES, FLORIDA**  
3                   **Workshop Meeting of the Board of Supervisors**  
4                                   **March 17, 2021**

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6   A workshop of the of Lely Community Development District Board of Supervisors  
7   was held on Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at the LCDD Maintenance  
8   Building, Naples, Florida.

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10   **SUPERVISORS PRESENT**

- 11   William Lee, Chairman  
12   Anne Marie Bularzik, Vice-Chairman  
13   Kenneth Drum, Supervisor  
14   Gerry Campkin, Supervisor

15   **ALSO PRESENT**

- 16   Neil Dorrill, Manager, Dorrill Management Group  
17   Kevin Carter, Operations Manager  
18   Tony Pires, District Counsel  
19   Freddie Bowers, Director of Community Patrol  
20   Christopher Dorrill, Field Manager

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22   **WORKSHOP - PUBLIC SAFETY**

23   Mr. Dorrill introduced Lt. Mulholland to the Board, who was appearing for the  
24   Sheriff who was not able to attend.

25   Lt. Mulholland noted that due to COVID, the Sheriff's Department was providing  
26   extra security, working with the Department of Health in several areas. They are  
27   also working with the Mental Health Office, including the effort to take guns away  
28   from people who should not have them.

29   Within a short period of time every deputy will have a body camera, which is  
30   another way to protect the Sheriff's Office from unfounded lawsuits. A real-time  
31   operations center near the courthouse has started, which will provide real-time  
32   updates on criminal activity while they are occurring and provides the ability to  
33   track perpetrators through a special program at intersections. This office is also  
34   being used to work out of during hurricanes and fires.

1 A program using artificial intelligence is being used to read license plates  
2 throughout the County, and billboards with information on them. For instance, a  
3 stolen car will be used in the County and throughout the State as well.

4 The communication center has been updated, and pictures can now be used by  
5 the public in 911 situations and immediately provided to deputies and/or  
6 emergency providers.

7 The master plan for County growth continues to be worked on, as more plans for  
8 development are being made.

9 Incidents of individuals breaking into cars and stealing what may be inside has  
10 almost doubled this year, and he reminded those present not to leave items in  
11 their cars and be sure to lock vehicles. Along with that, more cars are being  
12 stolen. The Golden Gate area was hit very hard. Apparently, there is a group in  
13 the Immokalee area stealing cars and coming to the Naples area. The license  
14 plate readers are available in these situations and has reduced these incidents  
15 significantly.

16 As it relates to the Lely CDD, Mr. Mulholland advised that there is not much  
17 crime in the District after looking at the statistics from the previous three years.  
18 There have been some items stolen from clubhouses, some car burglaries, and  
19 homes that were being used as Airbnb's with several nuisance problems from  
20 these tenants. The Lieutenant acknowledged that traffic continues to be a  
21 problem.

22 If Mr. Bowers has a problem, he contacts the Sheriff's Office, and Lt. Mulholland  
23 advised that he cannot say enough good things about Mr. Bowers, who handles  
24 situations at Lely very well.

25 The speed cameras at stop signs have been done away with, as they could not  
26 issue a ticket at this point, and that they may be more trouble than what they are  
27 worth.

28 A resident indicated that they were enjoying the Sheriff's Facebook page, and  
29 found it informative and interesting.

30 Dr. Bularzik asked about the group of residents who are seeking to set up a  
31 bicycle path starting at Rattlesnake Hammock at Santa Barbara, down Grand  
32 Lely Blvd., to the end of Collier Blvd., then to US 41. A meeting was held the  
33 previous day with those seeking to put this route in place, and Dr. Bularzik  
34 indicated that she was one of three people who voted against it, as there are

1 1,156 houses along Grand Lely, and the group agreed to take part of the route  
2 off the path. Lt. Mulholland agreed that putting a lot of bicycle riders in a place  
3 with a lot of cars would only cause problems, as these roads are not made for  
4 these vehicles to share.

5 Mr. Drum noted that one of the reasons that Lely is as popular as it is, is because  
6 of the Sheriff's Office, and he thanked Lt. Mulholland for helping to keep the  
7 community safe. The Lieutenant advised of the updated ways his office is  
8 becoming more proactive in identifying problems and solving crimes.

9 Mr. Drum added that many nonresidents come into Lely to fish and/or picnic and  
10 Lt. Mulholland advised that they rely on Mr. Bowers to handle these issues,  
11 unless their help is needed. Trespassing is a civil issue but changing laws have  
12 made it more difficult for the Sheriff's Department to issue citations. Additionally,  
13 if panhandlers are on the public roadways in the community, recent laws prevent  
14 the Department from moving them along and out of the District. If there is  
15 trespassing after a warning by Mr. Bowers, then an arrest can be made, and  
16 criminal charges can be filed in some cases.

17 Speeding along the roadway to the high school is another issue that Mr. Bowers  
18 works to minimize by checking with the school to determine who the driver is to  
19 get them to slow down. The Sheriff is limited to traffic enforcement within gated  
20 communities after a process is gone through as well. The contract deputies who  
21 came into patrol have been suspended due to the increased presence in the  
22 schools.

23 In response to a question regarding some people in the community who go to  
24 some of the places that are patrolled by the Sheriff's Department, such as the  
25 water plant, and try to antagonize the security officers to react. The deputies  
26 must provide their names but can only monitor these people who are attempting  
27 to cause trouble. These people are also sending drones up over the water plant,  
28 which at this time is not a violation and could present dangers to the water  
29 supply.

30 A short break was then taken in the proceedings.