



City of Palo Alto
City Council Staff Report

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(ID # 7688)

Report Type: Consent Calendar

Meeting Date: 1/23/2017

Summary Title: Retirement Resolution for Bob Beacom

**Title: Adoption of a Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto
Expressing Appreciation to Bob Beacom Upon His Retirement**

From: City Manager

Lead Department: Police

Due to this resolution being formally presented to Bob Beacom on January 25, 2017 at the celebration of his retirement, it is placed on the Consent Calendar rather than under Special Orders.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Resolution Expressing Appreciation to Bob Beacom



Resolution

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE TO BOB BEACOM UPON HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Bob Beacom has conscientiously and professionally served the City of Palo Alto and served the Community for 27 years. Throughout his career he rose up through the ranks of Agent, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain and served as Acting Assistant Chief of Police for several years; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Beacom spent his time at the City working in the Police Department in various positions and specialty assignments, such as Field Training Officer, Detective, Special Operations Sergeant, Specialized Traffic Accident Reconstruction (STAR) Team member, and SWAT Team Commander. Assistant Chief Beacom has also been responsible for the oversight of the Animal Services Division; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Beacom was instrumental in the SWAT Team's participation in Urban Shield Regional Training Exercises and the regional coordination of Super Bowl 50. During his career, Assistant Chief Beacom coordinated or investigated major investigations such as the Hsiao, Schipse and Lacy homicides, the Blanks' kidnap/sexual assault case, the arrest of serial rapist Romel Reid and also assisted with the suspect search in the East Palo Alto Officer Richard May homicide; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Beacom has coordinated several large scale events within the City, such as the Black and White Ball, Sleigh Rides and Snowmen, Tour of California, and various dignitary visits. Assistant Chief Beacom has received numerous commendations relating to these events, and a number of other commendations for his professionalism and investigative expertise; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Beacom worked with Menlo Park and East Palo Alto in the coordination of the Tri-City Gun Back Program. Assistant Chief Beacom has been a supporter and instrumental in the Police Department's Wellness Program and gym upgrades, ensuring that employees have the most effective exercise equipment to maintain employee health. Assistant Chief Beacom attended the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia and is an active member of the California Peace Officers Association, California Police Chiefs' Association, and the National Tactical Officers Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Palo Alto hereby records and extends its sincere appreciation and acknowledges the community's appreciation to Assistant Police Chief Bob Beacom for 27 years of faithful and excellent service to the City.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: January 23, 2017

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Manager

City Attorney