



PACIFIC GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PACIFIC GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC NOTICE OF COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (CALEA) ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING

Pacific Grove, California:

Starting in 2018, the Pacific Grove Police Department committed to revising policies, procedures, training and standards in an effort to become nationally accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). The accreditation program verifies that a law enforcement agency meets professional standards by complying with four basic areas: policy and procedures, administration, operations, and support services.

This year, the Department completed policy updates to meet professional standards and best practices and provided documentation showing the Department met those policy standards. In July, CALEA Compliance Service Members reviewed all submitted materials. The next step in the accreditation process is an on-site assessment completed by two CALEA Assessors. Due to the pandemic, the assessment will be conducted virtually on Monday, August 17, 2020 and Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

As part of the on-site assessment, Department stakeholders, community members and employees are invited to offer public comments at a virtual Public Hearing scheduled for Monday, August 17, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. To participate in the public hearing:

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84973862852>

Or by Phone: 1-669-900-9128

Meeting ID: 849 7386 2852

Comments at the virtual public hearing are limited to 5 minutes and must address the ability of the Pacific Grove Police Department to comply with CALEA's standards for accreditation. To review the list of standards go to: <https://www.calea.org/node/11406>.

In addition to the public hearing, individuals can participate in a public information call-in session. Those interested, may offer comments by calling (831) 648-3166 on Tuesday, August 18, between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Comments will be taken by CALEA assessors. The call-in session provides an opportunity for the public to interact with the assessors, ask questions about the accreditation process, or comment on the department's compliance with accreditation standards.

Anyone wishing to submit written remarks to the commission in writing may send comments to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) at 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia 20155 or at www.calea.org.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Pacific Grove Police Department Accreditation Manager, Jocelyn Francis, at jfrancis@cityofpacificgrove.org or (831) 648-3156.