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**CHINO HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT TOWN HALL MEETING
TO COVER A VARIETY OF POLICING TOPICS
JULY 21**

Chino Hills, CA – The Chino Hills Police Department has scheduled a Town Hall Meeting on Police and Community Relations to be held on Tuesday, July 21 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm at the Chino Hills Community Center, 14250 Peyton Drive. This meeting was planned to provide an opportunity for the Chino Hills Police Department to make a presentation on public safety, department policy, training, and police/community relations. Attendees will hear from members of the Chino Hills Police Department, the San Bernardino County (S.B. Co.) Sheriff's Training Division, and S.B. Co. Behavioral Health Department, as they share information regarding policing and practices that are in place when Deputies respond to calls for service. Speakers will provide a broad overview and information specific to Chino Hills. Topics include training, mental health awareness, statistical data comparing demographics of the community and police personnel, and lethal force encounters in comparison to other stations in the County. A list of use-of-force recommendations circulating, known as #8CantWait, will be reviewed.

"In response to recent events that have focused the world's attention on police practices and culture, it is an important time to share information with our residents about how we approach our duty to protect the residents of Chino Hills," said Captain John Walker. "Community policing is a core value at the Chino Hills Police Department and is emphasized at every level within our organization. We have worked diligently to promote a partnership with our community by informing, educating, and promoting the philosophy of community policing. Our Town Hall Meeting is simply the next step in this evolution."

City officials will open the currently closed Chino Hills Community Center to accommodate this meeting only. Ever-changing COVID-19 requirements could result in changes, cancellation, or rescheduling of this meeting. Due to COVID-19 and physical distancing requirements, capacity will be limited to 50 Chino Hills residents. Visit www.chinohills.org/CHPDTownHall to register, and be prepared to list your top three questions or concerns during registration to help presenters prepare responses.

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“The City Council appreciates Captain Walker’s engagement with the community. He has made it an annual practice over the past few years to invite residents to Quality of Life meetings, over multiple nights, to engage residents face-to-face and learn what concerns they have with regard to policing issues,” said Mayor Art Bennett. “This meeting is a continuation of that process and will provide our residents with a base of knowledge about law enforcement specific to Chino Hills.”

At the event, each attendee will check-in and be asked to provide identification to confirm their Chino Hills residency by providing a Driver’s License, California I.D. card, or utility bill. Facial coverings will be required at all times, and hand sanitizer will be provided. For additional information, please call the Chino Hills City Manager’s Office at (909) 364-2610.

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