



February 2021 NEWSLETTER

SANTA BARBARA/ PUERTO VALLARTA SISTER CITY COMMITTEE



Sebastian Aldana, Jr..

Happy New Year SB/PV Sister City Members. I hope all are well, healthy and full of energy. I am honored and humbled to serve as your newly elected President, as my roots are from Jalisco. I'm looking forward to a productive year, continuous work on existing projects and maintaining the beautiful friendships we have in Puerto Vallarta. I would like to thank our Past President, Carlos Velasco for his awesome accomplishments, contacts and gifts during his term as our President. We have various sub committees to allow our member's participation in communications, hospitality, projects, special events and visitations, to name a few.

January is passing us by,

please pay your yearly membership dues and get engaged with our organization. Lets work as a team to make 2021 a productive, enjoyable and memorable year.

Saludos, Amigos

Aileen Chambers is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting,

Topic: SB/PV Sister City Committee General Membership meeting

Date and Time: February 3, 2021 at 6:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting: Topic – “Report from Playa Los Arcos in Puerto Vallarta”

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DONATED AMBULANCE ARRIVES IN PUERTO VALLARTA

The Ambulance donated by SB/PV Sister City in cooperation with Bret Russell of International Firefighter Training Association (IFTA) arrived in Puerto Vallarta's Fire Department on January 5th, 2021.

SB/PV Sister City president Carlos Velasco will travel in mid January to PV and join with Board member Mike Hernández who is already in PV to participate in the ceremonial reception of the donation.



Secretary of the Navy assumes command of the Municipal Commissioner of Citizen Security in Puerto Vallarta,

Surprisingly, this Monday morning a member of the Secretary of the Navy assumes command of the Municipal Commissioner of Citizen Security in Puerto Vallarta, the captain of the ship, Fernando Viveros Hernández, who replaces Misael López Muro.

This occurs after a series of violent events in the city, some of great importance and which are still present in the national media, such as those that occurred where businessman Felipe Tomé and former Jalisco governor Aristóteles Sandoval lost their lives.

It should be remembered that these events caused practically the National Guard, State Police and elements of the Army to take control of security in this tourist destination, whose conboys circulate throughout the city.

MIXED SAFETY SCHEME IN THE CITY

He explains that in this format the three levels of government participate with their different corporations, reinforcing the presence in the destination and fully coordinating the strategy in all areas of the municipality.

The statement highlights that this scheme does not represent the intervention of the municipal police station at any time, it is simply a change in command and the rest of the corporation remains in its ordinary activities.

DECISION OF THE STATE SAFETY COUNCIL

It is emphasized that said decision was made within the Executive Commission of the State Security Council in which all the representatives of the federation, state and municipality agreed.

The statement ends with the announcement: "In this way, the Jalisco Government's commitment to spare no effort to achieve peace and tranquility for the inhabitants of Puerto Vallarta is endorsed."

It should be noted that the captain of the ship Fernando Viveros, was performing similar functions in 2018 in Baja California Sur, as Director of the Ministerial Police of the State and in Tamaulipas 2020

TOTAL CONTROL OF ALFARO IN THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF PUERTO VALLARTA!

By Brenda Beltran

Always yes. The Governor of the State, Enrique Alfaro Ramírez, assumes in full control and command of the preventive police of the municipality of Puerto Vallarta for an indefinite period of time, in accordance with the agreement published on January 18 of the current year in the Official Newspaper of the Government of Jalisco.

In this agreement, it is mentioned that in a working meeting of the State Security Council, held on January 11 of this year, it was determined that it is necessary for the Governor of the State to assume command of the preventive police of the municipality of Puerto Vallarta, by virtue of the fact that there are considerable complaints filed with the State Prosecutor's Office for various criminal acts.

Said assumption of command includes not only the transmission of orders and the correlative duty to comply with them, but also the delivery of all the infrastructure, equipment, operability and the physical and electronic information that this entails, until the reintegration of order and security is achieved. public peace in Puerto Vallarta.

The agreement recalls that in recent months there have been high-impact crimes, including illegal deprivation of liberty, kidnappings and homicides, which highlights the urgency of implementing the necessary measures to restore public order and security of the population.

The first point of the agreement states that, "The Constitutional Governor of the State assumes control and command of the preventive police of the municipality of Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, which will have its legal effects from the moment the municipality of merit is notified of the present agreement and until a determination to the contrary is communicated".

Second, "the personnel of the various areas that make up the preventive police of the municipality of Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, must comply with the orders issued by the Head of the State Executive Power, by themselves, through the Secretary of Security of the State Executive or of the institution or person that is determined by means of an agreement or agreement that is signed for such purposes, and by virtue of this, they must deliver at the time they are required, to themselves or to the personnel designated for that purpose, the weapons, vehicles, radio communication equipment, infrastructure, operability and all the physical and electronic information that this entails, which are assigned and protected by the municipality of merit".

The third point establishes that "the members of the preventive police of the municipality of Puerto Vallarta will be subject to the responsibilities established by law in case of disregarding the orders issued by the Head of the State Executive Power, by themselves, through of the Secretary of State Security or of the institution or person that is determined by means of an agreement or agreement that is signed for such purposes, or through the person they have to designate.

And fourth, it indicates that this intervention will last until otherwise indicated. It also points out that in the municipality of Puerto Vallarta the public security service will be reinforced by elements of the Jalisco State Security Secretariat, as well as federal security institutions, such as the Secretary of the Navy, the National Guard. and the Mexican Army.

It is worth mentioning that the website of the Official Newspaper El Estado de Jalisco removed the agreement from its index, but it is still online at the following address:

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Aileen Chambers, Elected Second Vice President

The 2nd VP has a big job. When it is life as usual our 2nd VP will book restaurants and work on a meal for our general meetings. While we are having to conduct zoom meetings, this position has assumed the responsibility for scheduling the Zoom meetings. The 2nd VP also looks for topics of interest for our general meetings, however many times this is a group effort. For our upcoming general meeting, Wed. February 3rd* the topic will be a report from Playa Los Arcos in Puerto Vallarta.

Playa Los Arcos has been undergoing renovations for the past two years, and during our last visit we saw some improvements but even more have been made. It will be very interesting and uplifting to see what changes have been made to our favorite hotel in PV.

* F. Y. I. On the Catholic calendar, February 3rd is "DIA DE SAN BLAS"

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