



## Sheriff's Station Remodeled

Public safety has always been the City of Paramount's number-one priority. It receives the largest portion of the City's budget and the partnership with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has created innovative approaches to law enforcement that have helped produce a stunning drop in crime over the last two decades.

Another major improvement project in Paramount will further enhance the levels of public safety. The recently completed remodeling of the Sheriff's Station at 15001 Paramount Blvd. has provided a modern police facility that will meet the City's needs for decades to come.

The facility's size has been dramatically increased to allow for, among other things, a much larger public lobby with public restrooms for the convenience of customers. Also added was a multi-purpose room, space for the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and a communications room. There are now interview areas so that residents who need to speak with Sheriff's personnel won't have to travel to the Lakewood Station. Also, offices for other law enforcement agencies that perform services in Paramount have been built.

A further addition to the Public Safety Department is a new, upgraded Mobile Command Center/Crime Watch van that replaces the old van. The 30-foot-long recreational vehicle is completely outfitted for Sheriff's personnel to be deployed in areas where local law enforcement is most needed. The van also promotes public safety programs at area events. The Crime Watch Vehicle Program has been a presence in Paramount since 1996.



### Upcoming Meetings

For more information about Council & Commission meetings, please call (562) 220-2225.

**1/4/11 - 7:00 PM**  
**City Council**

**1/5/11 - 6:00 PM**  
**Senior Services Commission**

**1/6/11 - 6:00 PM**  
**Public Works Commission**

**1/11/11 - 6:00 PM**  
**Planning Commission**

### Time to Put the Lights Away

Here's a friendly reminder that the City has an ordinance relating to the display of exterior winter holiday lights for residential properties. The law states that such lights must be removed by January 15.

"Holiday lights" are defined as a string of lights commonly associated with the holiday season that contains multiple- or single-colored or clear light bulbs that are attached to a structure. Only residential properties are affected.

The ordinance was passed in response to concerns voiced by residents about keeping our neighborhoods attractive. The City appreciates everyone's cooperation.