

**CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA  
CITY MANAGER REPORT**

RCM #: 3a

Date Prepared: March 20, 2009

Council Meeting Date: April 7, 2009

**TO:** Carl Swenson, City Manager

**THROUGH:** Susan K. Thorpe, Deputy City Manager 

**FROM:** Larry J. Ratcliff, Chief of Police 

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Public Hearing on Monday, April 20, 2009 at 7:00 pm on the Peoria Police Department's compliance with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) standards.

**SUMMARY:**

On Monday, April 20, 2009, at 7:00 pm, a Public Hearing will be conducted in the Peoria City Council Chamber at 8401 W. Monroe Street, Peoria, Arizona. The Public Hearing will be based on the Peoria Police Department's compliance with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) 460 progressive standards in four basic areas; policy and procedures, administration, operations, and support services.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at the Public Hearing listed above. They may also offer comments by calling (623) 773-8094 on Monday, April 20, 2009 between the hours of 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm. Comments will be taken directly by assessment team members.

**ATTACHMENT:**

- (1) Public Hearing Notice – English
- (2) Public Hearing Notice – Spanish



# Public Hearing Notice



**Monday, April 20, 2009  
7:00 pm**

**Peoria City Council Chambers  
8401 W. Monroe Street**

The Peoria Police Department is scheduled for an on-site assessment as part of a program to renew international accreditation by verifying it meets professional standards for policing. The program is administered by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) and requires agencies to comply with 460 progressive standards in four basic areas; policy and procedures, administration, operations, and support services.

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Telephone comments as well as appearances at the Public Hearing are restricted in time and limited to the agency's ability to comply with CALEA Standards. A copy of the CALEA Standards may be viewed at the Peoria Police Department, 8351 W. Cinnabar Avenue in Peoria by contacting Ms. Carol Johnson, 623-773-8035.

Citizens wishing to submit written comments about the Peoria Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., 10302 Eaton Place, Suite 100, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030-2245.



# Notificación de Audiencia Pública



**Lunes, 20 de abril del 2009**

**7:00 pm**

**Peoria City Council Chambers  
8401 W Monroe St.**

El Departamento de Policía de Peoria será evaluado localmente como parte de un programa para renovar la acreditación internacional y verificar que cumple y se sujeta a los estándares profesionales policíacos. El programa es administrado por la Comisión de Acreditación para Agencias de Soporte Legal Policial Inc. (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., CALEA) y requiere que las agencias cumplan con 460 estándares progresivos, en cuatro campos fundamentales: regulaciones y procedimientos, administración, operaciones, y servicios de asistencia.

Como parte de esta evaluación local, los empleados de la agencia y los miembros de la comunidad están invitados a ofrecer comentarios en la Audiencia Pública mencionada anteriormente en la parte superior de este documento. Pueden también ofrecer comentarios llamando al teléfono número: 623-773-8094 el lunes, 20 de abril del 2009 entre la 1:00 pm y las 5:00 pm. Los comentarios serán tomados directamente por miembros del equipo evaluador.

Tanto comentarios telefónicos como presentaciones en la audiencia pública serán restringidos en tiempo de duración, y serán limitados a la capacidad de la agencia de cumplir y sujetarse a los estándares de CALEA. Información de los estándares de CALEA están disponibles en el Departamento de Policía de Peoria, (8351 al Oeste de la Avenida Cinnabar en Peoria), contactando al señor Armando Soto, 623-773-5054.

Los Ciudadanos que deseen enviar comentarios por escrito sobre la habilidad del Departamento de Policía de Peoria de cumplir y sujetarse a los estándares para la acreditación, los pueden enviar a Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. CALEA (Comisión de Acreditación para las Agencias de Soporte Legal Policial Inc. CALEA), a la siguiente dirección: 10302 Eaton Place, Suite 100, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030.



# Peoria Police Department Police Administration

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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DATE: March 27, 2009

For Immediate Release

## **Peoria Police Department Prepares for Re-Accreditation**

On April 18, 2009 a team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will arrive to examine all aspects of the Peoria Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services. Verification by the team that the Peoria Police Department continues to meet CALEA's state-of-the-art standards is part of a voluntary process to maintain international accreditation, a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence. The Peoria Police Department first obtained accreditation on July 26, 1997 and this achievement should continue to provide the community the greatest level of confidence possible in the city's delivery of police services.

As a part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a Public Hearing on Monday, April 20, 2009, at 7:00 PM. The hearing will be conducted in the Peoria City Council Chambers at 8401 West Monroe Avenue, Peoria, Arizona. If, for some reason, an individual cannot speak at the Public Hearing, but would still like to provide comments to the assessment team, they may do so by telephone. The public may call (623) 773-8094 on Monday, April 20, 2009, between the hours of 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM. The public will speak directly with a member of the assessment team.

Telephone comments, as well as appearances at the Public Hearing, are restricted in time and limited to the agency's ability to comply with CALEA Standards. A copy of the standards is available at the Peoria Police Department, 8351 West Cinnabar Avenue, Peoria, Arizona, by contacting the Accreditation and Compliance Coordinator Ms. Carol Johnson at (623) 773-8035. Anyone wishing to submit written comments about the Peoria Police Department's ability to comply with the Standards for Accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., 10302 Eaton Place, Suite 100, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-2215.

The assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar, but out-of-state, agencies. The assessors will review written materials, interview individuals, and visit offices and other places where compliance can be confirmed or witnessed. Once the CALEA assessors complete their review of the agency, they report back to the full commission, which will then decide if the agency is to be granted accredited status at their next scheduled conference in Hampton, Virginia, July 29-August 1, 2009.

Accreditation is for a three-year period, during which time the agency must submit annual reports attesting continued compliance with those standards under which they were initially accredited. The Program Manager for the Peoria Police Department is Mr. Dennis Hyater. For more information regarding the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. contact the Commission at 10302 Eaton Place, Suite, 100, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030-2201; or call 1(800) 368-3757, ext. 24.

For questions on this release, please contact Mike Tellef at 623-773-8052 or by cell at 623-734-8319.

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**Peoria Police Department 8351 West Cinnabar Avenue Peoria, Arizona 85345**