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[CITY LEADERS PRAISE SWIFT, SAFE HANDLING OF INCIDENT AT ONTARIO MILLS]

ONTARIO, Calif. – Mayor Paul Leon and the City Council praised the Ontario Police Department and the staff of the Ontario Mills Mall for their swift, safe and effective coordination of an evacuation of the mall following a disturbance on Saturday, July 7.

Police are still investigating the incident, which apparently involved a Taser weapon being fired during a fight. The mall was evacuated and the situation contained. The Mills are open for business today.

City officials said the presence of a police substation at the mall helped ensure a rapid response.

“This was an isolated occurrence, involving a Taser. No gun was involved. While we live in a time when incidents such as this become magnified, Ontario has been and remains an extremely popular — and safe — destination for visitors. We work closely with our venues to make sure that appropriate levels of security are in place, and will continue to take every step necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of our entire community,” the mayor and council said in a statement. “We greatly appreciate the efforts of our Police Department and the mall in handling this situation.”

Because this is an active law enforcement investigation, the City has no additional comment regarding the incident.

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