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## **Public Safety Committee Meeting Record**

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**Meeting Date:** November 17, 2008

**Convened:** 12:02 p.m.

**Adjourned:** 1:36 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:**

Mayor Pro Tem, Dr. Elba Garcia, **Chair**  
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dwaine Caraway, **Vice-Chair**  
Tennell Atkins  
Jerry R. Allen  
Sheffie Kadane  
Ron Natinsky  
Mitchell Rasansky

**City Staff Present:**

Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager  
Police Chief David Kunkle, DPD  
Deputy Chief Brian Harvey, DPD  
Deputy Chief David Elliston, DPD  
Lt. Randall Blankenbaker  
Lt. Craig Miller, DPD  
Sam Hawk, CAO  
Shun Session, CMO

**Committee Members Absent:**

David Neumann

**Other Council Members Present:**

Carolyn Davis

**Guests:**

Kathy Carlson, Apartment Association of Greater Dallas and Amy Carter, Apartment Manager

**AGENDA:**

1. **Call to Order**

**Presenter:** Mayor Pro Tem, Dr. Elba Garcia, Chair

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

Mayor Pro Tem, Dr. Elba Garcia called an Open Session of the Public Safety Committee Meeting to order at 12:02 p.m., Monday, November 17, 2008 at City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for November 3, 2008 Public Safety Committee Meeting**

**Presenter:** Mayor Pro Tem, Dr. Elba Garcia, Chair

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Motion was made to approve the minutes.

Motion made by: **Tennell Atkins**

Item passed unanimously: **X**

Item failed unanimously:       

Motion seconded by: **Sheffie Kadane**

Item passed on a divided vote:       

Item failed on a divided vote:

3. **Crime Report/Homicide Report**

**Presenter(s):** Police Chief David M. Kunkle, Dallas Police Department  
Lt. Craig Miller, Dallas Police Department

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

Chief Kunkle provided the committee with an overview in the Crime/Homicide Report. The following is a summary of the current crime report: (1) overall crime reduction is down in every category (2) violent crime is down 13% (3) homicide crime is down 25% and (4) residential burglaries are down 2%.

Crime by Patrol Division is as follows: (1) central patrol is down 20% (2) north central is down 8% (3) southeast is down 11% (4) south central is down 11% and (5) south west is down 8%. Traffic fatalities are down 18% and response time is down 25% on emergency calls.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) residential burglaries (2) total number of traffic fatalities (3) violent property crime and (4) number of residential burglaries per district.

4. **Multi Tenant Program**

**Presenter(s):** Deputy Chief Brian Harvey, Dallas Police Department

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

Deputy Chief Harvey provided the committee with an overview of the Multi Tenant Program. There's a two part approach to Multi Tenant issues. The first is a Gold Star Certification Program, which is a voluntary program. The second part would be an ordinance mandate to enter into a Remedial Program. Topics of the presentation were as follows: (1) gold star program staffing, phases, and membership incentives and (2) remedial program registration data and fee study.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) fee study recommended by Efficiency Team (2) stakeholder meetings (3) modified crime prevention through environmental design included in price of the remedial (4) apply for gold star annually (5) benchmarks for gold star program (6) special incentive (7) program involvement mandatory and (8) training.

**Follow up:** The chair requested that Deputy Chief Harvey returns to the December 1, 2008 Public Safety Committee meeting with an informational memo discussing the updated fee study.

**A motion was made by Mr. Natinsky to support the Multi Tenant Program. Mr. Kadane seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**

5. **Emergency Driving Procedures**

**Presenter(s):** Lt. Randall Blankenbaker, Dallas Police Department

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

Lt. Blankenbaker provided the committee with an overview of the Emergency Driving Procedures. National Pursuit Statistics tell us that approximately 1 in 100 pursuits result in a fatality and 50% of crashes occur within the first 2 minutes of a pursuit. Highlights of the presentation were as follows: (1) DPD pursuit statistics (2) pursuit policy review/revision and (3) revised emergency vehicle operations procedures.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) general guideline exceptions.

6. **Holiday Crime Initiative**

**Presenter(s):** Deputy Chief David Elliston, Dallas Police Department

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

Deputy Chief David Elliston provided the committee with an overview of the Holiday Crime Initiative. Highlights of the presentation were as follow: (1) situation (2) mission (3) personnel (4) targeted offenses and (5) operation.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) operation hours (2) sky towers (3) expense reimbursements and (4) citywide initiatives.

**Follow up:** The chair requested that staff provide a follow up memo on the holiday crime initiative hours of operation citywide to the committee.

7. **Upcoming City Council Agenda Items for November 2008**

- Dallas Police Department Impaired Driver Mobility (IDM) Grant
- Internet Crimes Against Children Continuation Grant (2008-MC-CX-K024)
- Internet Crimes Against Children Continuation Grant (2008-MC-CX-K026)
- Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant for Dallas/Ft. Worth Fugitive Apprehension Strike Team (D/FW F.A.S.T.)
- Renewal of Project Safe Neighborhoods Anti-Gang initiative Grant

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) total number of gangs.

**A motion was made by Mr. Rasansky to support the upcoming agenda items and to recommend all to the full Dallas City Council for approval on December 10, 2008 council agenda. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.**

8. **Administrative Reports (Previous case presentation: #08-103)**

**Presenter:** Deputy Chief Calvin Cunigan, Dallas Police Department

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) none.

9. **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**APPROVED BY:**

**ATTEST:**

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Mayor Pro Tem, Dr. Elba Garcia, Chair  
Public Safety Committee

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Shun Session, Coordinator  
Public Safety Committee