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Public Safety Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: December 8, 2009 **Convened:** 2:03 p.m. **Adjourned:** 3:17 p.m.

Committee Members Present:
Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, **Chair**
Delia Jasso, **Vice-Chair**
Jerry R. Allen
Tennell Atkins
Sheffie Kadane
Linda Koop
Ann Margolin
Ron Natinsky
David Neumann

City Executive Staff Present:
Ryan Evans, First Assistant City Manager
Police Chief David M. Kunkle, DPD
Fire-Rescue Chief Eddie Burns, Sr, DFR
Assistant Chief Floyd Simpson, DPD
Assistant Chief Tod Gilliam, DFR
Assistant Chief Daniel Garcia, DPD
Deputy Chief Brian Harvey, DPD
Deputy Chief Nancy Kirkpatrick, DPD
Deputy Chief Joe Pierce, DFR
Pavala Armstrong, CAO, DPD

Committee Members Absent:

Guests:
Box 4 Representatives
American Red Cross – Dallas Are Chapter

Other Council Members Present:
Carolyn Davis

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA:

1. **Call to Order**
Presenter: Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):
Mayor Pro Tem Caraway called an Open Session of the Public Safety Committee Meeting to order at 2:03 p.m., Tuesday, December 8, 2009 at City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for November 16, 2009 Public Safety Committee Meeting**
Presenter: Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair

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

Motion made by: **Tennell Atkins**
Item passed unanimously: X
Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: **Delia Jasso**
Item passed on a divided vote:
Item failed on a divided vote:

3. **Box 4 Fire Buffs**

Presenter: Assistant Chief Tod Gilliam, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Assistant Chief Gilliam gave an overview to Box 4 Fire Buffs. The purpose of the presentation is to provide information related to Box 4 and to recognize their tremendous contributions to Dallas Fire-Rescue. Box 4 Fire Buff Associations, Inc. was founded in October 1963 and is a nonprofit organization operated entirely by volunteers offering rehabilitation services to the City of Dallas Public Safety Departments and surrounding jurisdictions. The organization responds to 2 alarms or greater fires and other emergencies in the Dallas area. Box 4 volunteers also respond to SWAT incidents, train derailments, plane crashes at Love Field and DFW Airport, Hazmat operations, major public safety events, and Dallas Fire Rescue's Urban Search and Rescue Team events. Operating out of a customized rehab canteen with the DFR designation 896, volunteers provide water, electrolyte drinks, coffee, and snacks. Meals are provided for longer duration events. Misting fans and other devices are made available for cooling workers in hot weather and gas heaters are provided in cold weather. Portable chairs are also provided at the events. Box 4 has 29 members serving not only Dallas, but also serving Irving, Garland and Richardson.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) No recommendation was given for this item.

4. **The Red Cross and Dallas Fire-Rescue A Collaborative Partnership**

Presenter: Assistant Chief Tod Gilliam, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Assistant Chief Gilliam gave an overview to the Red Cross. The purpose of the presentation is to provide information relating to the Dallas Chapter of the American Red Cross and to explain some of the services they provide to citizens after they are displaced by fire. In 1905 a United States Congressional charter mandated the development of a national response system to help mitigate suffering caused by disasters. Established in 1911 the mission of the Dallas area Red Cross has helped people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. The American Red Cross is a non-governmental organization with mandated responsibilities for support to FEMA for Mass Care, Housing and Human Services. The Dallas Area Chapter of the American Red Cross is located at 4800 Harry Hines. The Chapter is responsible for 5 branches which are located in Denton, McKinney, Greenville, Terrell and Corsicana.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) No recommendation was given for this item.

5. **Crime Report**

Presenter: Police Chief David M. Kunkle, Dallas Police Department
Assistant Chief Daniel Garcia, Dallas Police Department

Action Taken/ Committee Recommendation(s): The committee was provided with an overview to the index crime for the City of Dallas. The crime numbers reported to the FBI consist of 7 crime categories. 87% of the crimes reported are property crime categories. Non violent crime categories are about 15% less than violent crimes. Homicides represent 1%. 50% of the crimes reported are in the theft category, which involves breaking into vehicles or stealing items off of vehicles. 40% of total crimes involve burglary of motor vehicles and auto thefts. Increase in murders and decrease in business burglaries. Assistant Chief Harvey gave an overview to Operation Impact, which began November 18, 2009.

The focus of Operation Impact is as follows: (1) residential and business burglaries (2) BMV's (3) unauthorized use of a motor vehicle (4) 23 hot spots throughout the City of Dallas (5) high violent crime locations and (6) warrant execution.

6. **COMPSTAT Overview**

Presenter: Deputy Chief Brian Harvey, Dallas Police Department

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Deputy Chief Harvey gave an overview to the COMPSTAT. COMPSTAT is a management tool which includes the following: (1) technology component (2) forum for developing strategy (3) method for establishing accountability and (4) forum for discussing processes. Topics of discussion were as follows: (1) history and (2) crime reduction 2004-YTD 2009.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) list of the 23 hot spot locations for Operation Impact (2) paper tag issue (3) graffiti on bridge at 35/Continental near AA Center and on entire Corinth Street bridge (4) bridge near MLK/Forest Park – people congregating with fire burning (5) update at end of year on Operation Impact (6) Gang Unit for March 2010 Graffiti Conference (7) schedule needed for CompStat meetings at Patrol Divisions (8) status report when all MDC's are installed in patrol cars in March and (9) information for shopping areas covered during holiday shopping season.

7. **Upcoming City Council Agenda Items for December 2009**

- a. Authorization of Professional Services Agreement with Dallas County District Attorneys Office (Police)
- b. Authorization of Memorandum of Agreement with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (Police)

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) No recommendation was given for this item.

8. **Administrative (Fire) Reports – November 2009**

Presenter: Deputy Chief Joe Pierce, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

4511 Frank Street	14037 Brookcrest Drive
7700 W. Greenway Blvd. #K205	10420 New Bedford Drive
2625 E. Illinois Avenue	12363 Abrams Road #425
5550 Harvest Hill Road #W214	9239 Windy Crest Drive
4010 Ross Avenue	2723 Burlington Boulevard
7212 Thurston Drive	711 Green Cove Lane

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) No recommendation was given for this item.

9. **Administrative (Police) Reports – Shooting Summary**

Presenter: Deputy Chief Nancy Kirkpatrick, Dallas Police Department

Administrative (Police) Reports:
(Shooting Summary)
New case presentation: Control #09-383
Previous case presentation: Control #09-195

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) No recommendation was given for this item.

10. **Public Comments**

Presenter: Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) there were no public comments.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair
Public Safety Committee

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Public Safety Committee