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Public Safety Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: Monday, February 27, 2012 **Convened:** 11:11 a.m. **Adjourned:** 12:23 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Pauline Medrano, **Chair**
Carolyn Davis
Sandy Greyson
Delia Jasso
Sheffie Kadane, **Vice-Chair**

City Executive Staff Present:

A.C. Gonzalez, First Assistant City Manager
Interim Chief Louie Bright, III, DFR
Deputy Chief Daniel Salazar, DFR
Deputy Chief Joe Pierce, DFR
Section Chief Tami Kayea, DFR

Committee Members Absent:

Guests Present:

Dr. Paul Pepe, Medical Director and Medical Direction Team

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA:

1. **Call to Order**

Presenter: Committee Chair Medrano

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Committee Chair Medrano called an open session of the Public Safety Committee Meeting to order at 11:11 a.m., Monday, February 27, 2012 at City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for February 13, 2012 Public Safety Committee Meeting**

Presenter: Committee Chair Medrano

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

Motion made by: **Sandy Greyson**

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: **Sheffie Kadane**

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

Follow up: The minutes for February 13, 2012 were approved with the following amendment: Page 4, item #4 (Dallas Police Department Volunteer Programs). **Revised the committee comment; number of members on Executive Board revised to, how were the Executive Board members selected.**

3. **Citizens' Fire Academy**

Presenter: Deputy Chief Daniel Salazar, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

The mission of the Citizens' Fire Academy is to provide citizens with an overview of Dallas Fire-Rescue services, increase fire and life safety awareness, and promote the customer service aspect of our department. The objectives of the Citizens' Fire Academy are as follows:

- Impact information on core job functions
- Engage students during demonstrations
- Share volunteer opportunities available within the City of Dallas
- Provide CPR certification training
- Provide fire prevention and disaster preparedness education

The 8 week Citizens' Fire Academy is conducted at the Dallas Fire-Rescue Training Center on Thursday evenings (6:30 p.m.).

CFA is currently being promoted through media along with www.dallasfirerescue.com and www.dallascityhall.com websites. Home Owner Associations are also mailed promotional letters.

Application enrollment period is ongoing (February 20-March 12). Interested participants may obtain applications on-line or by calling the Fire Training Center (214) 670-0231.

Selection criteria: 18 years of age or older, background check conducted, must work or live in the City of Dallas, first come/first served. Class size will be limited to 20 students.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) additional pamphlets for each council district (2) can the judge require truancy students attend the academy (3) partnership with Neighborhood Association to invite one representative from each association to the academy (4) is there a charge for the students (5) class size (6) number of classes going at one time (7) how long are classes (8) presentations that Homeowners Associations request (9) percentage of students that move forward to apply and become firefighters and (10) diversity of classes.

4. **Emergency Medical Services**

Presenter: Interim Chief Louie Bright, III, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department
Section Chief Tami Kayea, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

The purpose of the briefing is to provide an overview of the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) system. To present trends, legal constraints/regulations, challenges which have an impact on the system as well as opportunities and to review future briefing topics. The mission of EMS is to provide exceptional emergency medical services and patient transportation through a system of coordinated emergency medical care and EMS surge response. Highlights of the presentation were as follows: (1) Basic Response (2) EMS System (3) Trends and (4) Future briefings.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) list of stations with and without rescue units (2) increase in response time (3) number of firefighters and how many are paramedics (4) plans for new facilities to open (5) briefing to full council on CPR training (6) partnership with business community to offer CPR training and (7) CPR training for targeted areas that have high number of cardiac arrest calls.

5. **Administrative (Fire) Reports (Informational Memo)**

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

Deputy Chief Pierce provided the committee with an overview to the Administrative (Fire) Reports. This information is provided to the committee with a brief description of the January 9, 2012 – February 10, 2012 fire reports.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) incident #2012-25387, value/damage estimate.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

Pauline Medrano, Chair
Public Safety Committee

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Public Safety Committee