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Public Safety Committee

Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: April 21, 2008

Convened: 12:02 p.m.

Adjourned: 1:55 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

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

City Staff Present:

Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager
Acting First Asst. Chief Charles Cato, DPD
Deputy Chief Michael Genovesi, DPD
Lt. Sally Lannom, DPD
Worris Levine, Jr., Director, CIS
Charles Brideau, Assistant Director, DPD
Frances Peters, CAO
Jackie Middlebrooks, CAO

Committee Members Absent:

None

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, April 21, 2008 at City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for April 7, 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: Ron Natinsky

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: Mitchell Rasansky

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

3. **Random Gunfire Detection System**

Presenter(s): Deputy Chief Charles Cato, Dallas Police Department
Deputy Chief Michael Genovesi, Dallas Police Department
Lt. Sally Lannom, Dallas Police Department

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Lt. Lannom gave an overview to the Random Gunfire Detection System. Random Gunfire is defined as the indiscriminate firing of weapons into the air. Highlights of the presentation were as follows: (1) random gunfire statistics (2) density maps (3) education & enforcement (4) DPD Awareness

campaign (5) gunfire locator systems (6) types of systems; temporal pattern recognition, acoustic and optical (7) agencies who utilize a gunfire locator system and (8) recommendations.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) vendors participation in pilot project (2) accountability (3) timeline (4) priority calls (response time) (5) life cycle of system (6) trial demonstration (7) mobile solution (8) reallocating police resources (9) awareness campaign (10) penalty for random gunfire (11) communication with the district attorney (12) statistics on people being injured due to random gunfire and (13) marketing.

Follow up: The committee had the following staff recommendations: (1) pilot project (2) vendors have the same testing opportunities (3) mobile solution (4) committee updated (5) invite full council to demonstrations (6) County involvement as it relates to penalization and (7) statistical data from other cities.

4. **Down Payment and Closing Cost Assistance Incentive Payment for Dallas Police Officers**

Presenter(s): Charles Brideau, Assistant Director, Housing Department

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Mr. Brideau provided the committee with a discussion of the Down Payment and Closing Cost Assistance Incentive Payment for Dallas Police Officers. The purpose is to provide information on program adopted in October 2007, recommend program amendments and provide implementation steps and timeline. Topics of discuss were as follows: (1) program implementation (2) program amendments identified (3) recommendations and (4) next steps.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) budgeted amount (2) second lien and (3) city charter.

A motion was made by Mr. Natinsky to approve going forward to amend police special pay program statement by resolution, change conditional grant or loan to lump sum compensation, amend process guidelines, market program to DPD Officers and to recruit classes starting at end of May and reopen application process on May 15th and to recommend it to the full Dallas City Council for approval May 14, 2008 council agenda. Mr. Caraway seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

5. **Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) Overview**

Presenter(s): Worris Levine, Jr., Director, Communication and Information Services

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Mr. Levine gave an overview to the Computer Aided Dispatch. Highlights of the presentation were as follows: (1) background (2) reasons for replacing mainframe CAD system (3) current status; issues & resolution (4) additional capabilities and (5) next steps; implementation plan, cost & budget.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) interface system (2) FY 09 funds (3) communication is essential (4) pilot program timeline and number of units (5) GeoFence (6) in-car mobile computer hardware (7) vendor participation (8) border streets (9) total amount council approved to implement the CAD system (10) consultant and (11) GIS data.

Follow up: The committee had the following staff recommendations: (1) go forward with FY 09 requested funds and (2) return to the Public Safety Committee with an update.

6. **Dallas City Council Security Enhancement Presentation**

Presenter: Deputy Chief Tom Lawrence, Dallas Police Department
Jack Ireland, Director, Equipment & Building Services

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The Public Safety Committee went into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 1:55 p.m. on April 21, 2008, pursuant to Section 551.076 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, for deliberations regarding security personnel or devices: To receive advice from and consult with the City Attorney on the following matters for item #6, Dallas City Council Security Enhancement Presentation.

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

- o Proposal to Apply for Grant Funds (Auto Theft Grant)
- o Police Museum Space Resolution
- o Interlocal Agreement and Memo of Understanding – City of Grand Prairie
- o Interlocal Agreement and Memo of Understanding – City of Duncanville
- o Dallas Police Department Click-It or Ticket Grant

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): none

8. **Administrative Reports**

Presenter: Deputy Chief Calvin Cunigan, Dallas Police Department

- o New case presentation: #08-072
- o Previous case presentation: #07-124 and #07-254

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): none

9. **Public Comments**

There were no public comments made.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

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

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Public Safety Committee