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Public Safety Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: Monday, August 16, 2010

Convened: 12:08 p.m.

Adjourned: 1:15 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
Fire-Rescue Chief Eddie Burns, Sr., DFR
Deputy Chief Bobby Ross, DFR
Deputy Chief Joe Pierce, DFR
Jackie Middlebrooks, CAO

Committee Members Absent:

Special Guest:

Dr. Paul E. Pepe, Medical Director, EMS

Other Council Members Present:

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 12:08 p.m., Monday, August 16, 2010 at City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for August 2, 2010 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: **Sheffie Kadane**

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. **Resuscitation Outcomes Consortium (ROC Study)**

Presenter: Dr. Paul E. Pepe, Medical Director, Emergency Medical Services

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Dr. Pepe provided the committee with the Resuscitation Outcomes Consortium (ROC Study). Topics of discussion were as follows: (1) #1 cause of preventable premature death in our community (2) #1 cause of premature death in our children and young adult's history (3) Dallas area BioTel System (4) ITD study and (5) current ROC funding partners.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) ITD survival rate improvement in Dallas.

4. **Emergency Medical Services Contracts**

Presenter: Deputy Chief Bobby Ross, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The purpose of this briefing was to provide the committee with the EMS Professional Contracts and how Dallas Fire-Rescue teams continued assistance aids the Department in providing outstanding service delivery to the citizens and visitors of Dallas. Topics of discussion were as follows: (1) Departmental Medical Supervision (2) responsibilities of BioTel (3) quality management program (4) BioTel funding (5) BioTel staffing (6) Medical Director Contract (7) Medical Director Team (8) responsibilities of Medical Director (9) University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (UTSWMC) Paramedic Continuing Education (10) paramedic training (11) EMS Contracts/Cost and (12) council action.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) decrease in sending less recruits to EMT school only and no recruits to paramedic school (2) impact in service (3) cross training between firefighters and paramedics (4) BioTel cost per capita (5) paramedic school (6) pay differential between firefighters and paramedics (7) eliminating officers on the rescue and (8) ALS plan.

Follow up: The chair requested a future presentation on Dallas Fire-Rescue Career Path.

5. **Fire Investigation and Explosive Ordnance Disposal**

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

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The purpose of this briefing was to provide an update on Dallas Arson statistics, trends and initiatives, to give an overview of the Fire Investigation and E.O.D. Division and to update on the E.O.D. team acquisition and first year with DFR. Topics of discussion were as follows: (1) how does Arson look (2) 2008-2009 fire stats (3) incendiary fire stats (4) 2005-2009 arson stats (5) state law (6) arson crime – criminal punishment (7) reasons behind arson (8) arson investigators (9) juvenile firesetter intervention program (10) vehicle arson prevention (11) Explosive Ordnance Disposal Team (12) safety principles for Render Safe Procedure (RSP) and (13) Bomb Threat Procedures (General Information).

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) definition of arson (2) age of suspects in Oak Cliff bombs (3) source of revenue and (4) Hazmat.

6. **Administrative (Fire) Reports and July 4th (Fireworks)**

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

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Deputy Chief Pierce provided the committee with an update to the Fire Reports and July 4th (Fireworks).

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) smoke detectors for senior citizens.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair
Public Safety Committee

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Public Safety Committee