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## **Public Safety Committee Meeting Record**

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**Meeting Date:** Monday, November 15, 2010

**Convened:** 12:07 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  
David Neumann

**City Executive Staff Present:**

Ryan Evans, First Assistant City Manager  
Fire-Rescue Chief Eddie Burns, Sr., DFR  
Assistant Chief Louie Bright, III, DFR  
Assistant Chief Tod Gillam, DFR  
Deputy Chief Joe Pierce, DFR  
Pavala Armstrong, CAO, DPD

**Committee Members Absent:**

Ron Natinsky (Official City Business)

**Other Council Members Present:**

**AGENDA:**

1. **Call to Order**

**Presenter:** Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair

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

Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair called an Open Session of the Public Safety Committee Meeting to order at 12:07 p.m., Monday, November 15, 2010 at City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for October 4, 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: Tennell Atkins

Item passed on a divided vote:       

Item failed on a divided vote:

3. **Dallas Fire-Rescue Department Maintenance Division Overview**

**Presenter:** Assistant Chief Louie Bright, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

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

Assistant Chief Bright provided the committee with the Maintenance Division Overview. This Division is a part of the Training and Support Services Bureau and is located at 5000 Dolphin Road at the Dodd Miller Training and Maintenance facility. The Maintenance Division provides a large portion of the support required for the personnel serving in the Emergency Response Bureau. The purpose of the briefing was to provide information related to the daily operations of the maintenance Division and its various job functions.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) standards for fleet (2) cost (3) heavy apparatus (4) uniform replacement guidelines (5) Adopt-A-Station (6) display used uniform's at Fire Museum (7) maintenance of fire equipment (8) facility needs list (9) cost for new fire stations (10) cost analysis and (11) preventive maintenance.

4. **Dallas Fire-Rescue Hydrant Maintenance Program**

**Presenter:** Assistant Chief Tod Gillam, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

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

Assistant Chief Gillam provided the committee with the Hydrant Maintenance Program and visual aids were distributed. Currently Dallas has approximately 28, 632 fire hydrants within the Dallas Fire-Rescue maintenance system. Dallas Fire-Rescue maintains all City of Dallas fire hydrants and is reimbursed annually by Dallas Water Utilities for fuel, time and labor. The Fire Department is responsible for the following: (1) asset collars (yellow ring collar) (2) application of the Blue street spotters (3) painting and general maintenance of all hydrants (4) ordering, storage, and disposal of hydrant supplies (5) data input of all maintenance performed and (6) reporting of hydrant maintenance status.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) street markers (2) number of private hydrants (3) benefits of water based paint alternative (4) security of fire hydrants (5) safety issues (6) cost for outside vendors and (7) replacement cost.

5. **Evolution of EMS in Dallas**

**Presenter:** Fire Chief Eddie Burns, Sr., Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

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

Chief Burns provided the committee with the Evolution of EMS in Dallas. The purpose of the briefing was to provide the following information: (1) allow for Advanced Life Support (ALS) to be delivered from each Fire Station on each Engine Company (2) redistribute the workload among Rescues and Engine Companies (3) reduce the run load on Paramedics assigned to Rescues, thus reducing "burn out" and (4) provide a transition pathway for Paramedics to move from Rescues to Fire Engines. EMT is an Emergency Medical Technician. Trained to provide Basic Life Support (BLS) such as CPR, bandaging, splinting, obtaining a pulse and blood pressure. A Paramedic is trained to provide Advanced Life Support (ALS). ALS is Advanced Life Support, such as starting IV's, monitoring and treating heart rhythms and providing Drug Therapy.

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) priority dispatch (2) budget and (3) feedback from staff.

6. **Administrative (Fire) Reports**

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

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: (1) 6036 Ridgecrest Road, #123 – accidental fire was caused by careless smoking.

7. **Public Comments**

**Presenter:** Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair

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

The committee had the following concerns/recommendations: There were no public comments.

**APPROVED BY:**

**ATTEST:**

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Mayor Pro Tem, Dwaine Caraway, Chair  
Public Safety Committee

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Public Safety Committee