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## **Public Safety Committee Meeting Record**

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**Meeting Date:** Monday, November 18, 2013

**Convened:** 11:09 a.m.

**Adjourned:** 12:32 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:**

Sheffie Kadane, **Chair**  
Dwaine Caraway  
Jennifer S. Gates  
Sandy Greyson  
Scott Griggs  
Adam Medrano, **Vice-Chair**

**Executive Staff Present:**

Charles Cato, Interim Assistant City Manager  
Fire-Rescue Chief Louie Bright, III, DFR  
Assistant Chief Tommy Tines, DFR  
Assistant Chief Norman Seals, DFR  
Deputy Chief Tameji Berry, DFR  
Section Chief Robert Myers, DFR  
Pavala Armstrong, Assistant City Attorney, CAO

### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA:**

1. **Call to Order**

**Presenter:** Sheffie Kadane, Chair

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

Committee Chair Kadane called an open session of the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 11:09 a.m., Monday, November 18, 2013 at City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for October 28, 2013 Public Safety Committee Meeting**

**Presenter:** Sheffie Kadane, Chair

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

Motion made by: <b><u>Councilmember Dwaine Caraway</u></b>	Seconded by: <b><u>Councilmember Sandy Greyson</u></b>
Item passed unanimously: <u>  X  </u>	Item passed on a divided vote: <u>      </u>
Item failed unanimously: <u>      </u>	Item failed on a divided vote: <u>      </u>

3. **The Future of Dallas Fire-Rescue Emergency Medical Service (EMS)**

**Presenter:** Assistant Chief Norman Seals, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

The purpose of this presentation:

- Is to outline to the Public Safety Committee an evolution in the provision of prehospital care to the citizens of Dallas as delivered by the Dallas Fire-Rescue Department.

The committee had the following areas of concern:

- EMS system
- Thermal Imagers
- EMS Frequent Utilizers – Payer Information
- Identify frequent utilizer hot spots (group homes)
- EMS call volumes and number of rescues
- ALS capabilities as a first responder
- Increasing costs of service delivery
- Future Call Response Optimization System (Priority Dispatch Program)

- Number of ALS ambulances
- Patient Disposition Breakdown – 3% refusal by EMS
- Efficiency
- Pilot Program funded in this year budget
- Referral services (Social Service agencies)
- Increase service care
- Who determine priority based calls?
- How does the dispatcher identify frequent utilizers?
- Mobile Community Healthcare Program
- Primary care for the chronically ill
- Bundling of reimbursements
- Patient advocacy will be the highest priority

4. **Dallas Fire-Rescue Training Division Overview**

**Presenter:** Section Chief Robert Myers, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

This item was not briefed to the committee. It will return to the Public Safety Committee on a future agenda.

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

**Presenter:** Deputy Chief Tameji Berry, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

The purpose of this memo is to provide the committee with a brief description of the October 3, 2013 – October 24, 2013 fire reports.

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** There were no recommendations for this item.

The November 18, 2013 Public Safety Committee meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

**APPROVED BY:**

**ATTEST:**

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Sheffie Kadane, Chair  
Public Safety Committee

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Public Safety Committee