

Public Safety Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: Monday, September 14, 2020 **Convened:** 1:09 P.M. **Adjourned:** 3:32 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

DMPT B. Adam McGough, Chair
Carolyn King Arnold, Vice Chair
Adam Bazaldua
David Blewett
MPT Adam Medrano
Cara Mendelsohn
Casey Thomas, II

Committee Members Absent:

N/A

Other Council Members Present:

Jennifer Gates
Chad West

AGENDA:

Call to Order (1:09 P.M.)

A. Approval of the August 10, 2020 Minutes

Presenter(s): DMPT B. Adam McGough, Chair

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

A motion was made to approve the August 10, 2020 meeting minutes.

Motion made by: David Blewett

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: MPT Adam Medrano

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

B. Active Bystandership for Law Enforcement (ABLE) Training Program for DPD

Presenter(s): Caruth Police Institute, B.J. Wagoner

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

B.J. Wagoner presented an overview of the Active Bystandership in Law Enforcement (ABLE) peer intervention program that teaches officers how to intervene successfully. ABLE provides a framework and training which overcomes critical loyalty and bystander inhibitors to save communities from harm, save officers' lives, and save cities and governance agencies from costly lawsuits and scandals. Overall Committee members were in support of the intervention program.

Motion made by:

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

C. Violent Crime Reduction Plan Update

Presenter(s): Teena Schultz, Deputy Assistant Chief, Dallas Police Department

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Staff provided the Committee with an update on their 2020 Crime Reduction Plan. Committee members stressed that crime overall is down, but violent crime is up and how can the department prevent an argument, or any domestic disputes. The committee emphasized on the importance of mental health.

Committee member Bazaldua proposed a HEMP resolution to come before Public Safety Committee before presenting to the full City Council.

Motion made by:

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

D. Review of Proposed Budget & Amendment impact on the Dallas Police Department

Presenter(s): Ulisha Hall, Chief of Police

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Staff open the floor for any questions on the proposed budget and amendment impact on the Dallas Police Department. Committee members discussed the impact of overtime on the Dallas Police Department. All questions and concerns were answered.

Motion made by:

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

E. Review of historic and current Civilian Deployment within DPD & Assessment of Future Needs

Presenter(s): Ryan Rogers, Assistant Director of Dallas Police Department

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Staff provided the Committee with a presentation overview on the Dallas Police Department's staffing and civilians numbers. All questions or concerns were answered.

Motion made by:

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

F. Public Safety Dashboards

Presenter(s): Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Staff provided the Committee with the Public Safety Dashboards for July and August 2020 in order to provide a comprehensive snapshot of performance measures, critical areas of concerns, and staffing levels.

G. Low Sterrett Jail Contract

Presenter(s): Gloria Lopez Carter, Director of Court & Detention Services

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing memo referenced on an upcoming Agenda item #6, September 23, 2020 to authorize payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the Low Sterret Criminal Justice Center.

H. Continuity of Operations Plan

Presenter(s): Rocky Vaz, Director of Emergency Management

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing memo referenced an annual continuity of operations program status report. The report outlines protocols for re-establishing functions following an emergency, disaster, or significant public health emergency.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

DMPT B. Adam McGough, Chair
Public Safety Committee

Karen Gonzalez, Coordinator
Public Safety Committee