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Public Safety Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: Monday, August 11, 2014

Convened: 11:10 a.m.

Adjourned: 12:42 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Councilmember Sheffie Kadane, **Chair**
Councilmember Adam Medrano, **Vice-Chair**
Councilmember Jennifer Gates
Councilmember Sandy Greyson
Councilmember Scott Griggs

Executive Staff Present:

Charles Cato, Interim Assistant City Manager
Fire-Rescue Chief Louie Bright, III, DFR
Assistant Chief Harold Holland, DFR
Deputy Chief Tameji Berry, DFR

Committee Members Absent:

Councilmember Dwaine Caraway

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 11:10 a.m., Monday, August 11, 2014 at Dallas City Hall, 1500 Marilla, 6ES, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Meeting Record for June 23, 2014 Public Safety Committee Meeting**

Presenter: Sheffie Kadane, Chair

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Motion made by: **Councilmember Griggs**

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously:

Seconded by: **Councilmember Gates**

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

3. **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 June 2 – July 2, 2014 fire reports.

There was 5 (five) civilian injuries that occurred as a result of fire incidents.

The committee had the following areas of concern:

- 4th of July incidents
- Civilian injuries

4. **Tour of Dallas Fire-Rescue Training Division Facility**

Presenter: Assistant Chief Harold Holland, Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

At 11:14 a.m., the Public Safety Committee departed for a Tour of Dallas Fire-Rescue Training Division Facility. The Dodd J. Miller Training Center is located at 5000 Dolphin Road. The Training Center was completed in 1987 and contains 17,000 square feet of classrooms, an apparatus room, and offices. In addition, there is a driving course, a flashover chamber, a railroad tank car, a 7 story commercial simulator, a 3 story open drill tower, and residence simulator.

Assistant Chief Harold Holland provided the committee with a brief overview of the Training & Support Services Bureau. The bureau includes responsibility for Recruit Training, In-Service Training, Fleet Maintenance, Clothing and Supply, Fire Station Maintenance and Support, Safety and Wellness, and Construction of Facilities.

Highlights of the presentation were as follows: (1) Training Academy (2) In-Service (3) Recruiting (4) Safety (5) Wellness Fitness (6) Clothing & Supply and (7) Maintenance Division.

The committee had the following areas of concern:

- Proposed budget
- Efficiencies
- Funding for additional recruits
- Mobile Community Healthcare Program
- Frequent flyers
- Paramedic training
- Reserve Unit
- Physical Ability Testing
- Driver Safety Program
- Number of recruits currently enrolled
- Driving course
- Pass rate
- On-the-job injuries

During the tour, the following topics were discussed: (1) Training for veteran firefighters (2) Safety Training (3) Incident Management (4) Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (5) High-Rise Firefighting (6) Burn Building (7) Citizen Fire Academy (8) Daily Physical and Skills Training and (9) Technology. The tour concluded at 12:20 p.m. Following the tour the committee reconvened in 6ES to adjourn.

The August 11, 2014 Public Safety Committee Meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

Sheffie Kadane, Chair
Public Safety Committee

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Public Safety Committee