

# Public Safety Committee Meeting Record

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**Meeting Date:** Monday, March 28, 2016      **Convened:** 11:01 A.M.      **Adjourned:** 1:47 P.M.

**Committee Members Present:**

Council Member Adam Medrano, Chair  
Council Member B. Adam McGough, Vice Chair  
Council Member Sandy Greyson  
Council Member Tiffinni A. Young  
Council Member Jennifer S. Gates  
Council Member Philip T. Kingston

**Committee Members Absent:**

**Other Council Members Present:**

**Staff Present:**

Assistant City Manager Eric D. Campbell, CMO  
Police Chief David O. Brown, DPD  
Deputy Chief Paul Stokes, DPD  
Deputy Chief Christina Smith, DPD

Assistant Chief Santos Cadena, DPD  
Major Elaine Page, DPD  
Deputy Chief Gilberto Garza, DPD

**AGENDA:**

**Call to Order**

**1. Approval of Minutes from the February 22, 2016 Public Safety Committee Meeting**

**Presenter(s):** Council Member Medrano, Chair

**Information Only:**

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

A motion was made to approve the February 22, 2016 minutes.

**Motion made by:** Council Member Kingston

**Item passed unanimously:**

**Item failed unanimously:**

**Motion Seconded by:** Council Member Young

**Item passed on a divided vote:**

**Item failed on a divided vote:**

**2. Dallas Police Department Crime Report**

**Presenter(s):** Police Chief David O. Brown, DPD

**Information Only:**

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

This briefing provided the committee with an update on the Crime Report for January 1, 2016 – March 27, 2016. Council Member McGough pointed out that the data being presented on the criminal nuisance abatement (S.A.F.E.) cases shows his district having one open case but he has an activity sheet that shows 15 open cases. He would like staff to provide some clarity of the active (open) criminal nuisance abatement (S.A.F.E.) cases he has in his district. Council Member McGough also has concerns about the transparency of the crime stats. Chief Brown informed the committee that DPD is in the process of transitioning to a new system called Incident Base Crime Reporting. This new system will include 40 additional crime types to the seven major crime types already being presented in the current crime report.

Council Member Young asked about the requested data regarding S.A.F.E. cases. Staff is currently working interdepartmentally on a more strategic way to capture the data related to S.A.F.E. cases and will provide the committee with recommendations on how to move forward with the program. She would also like an update on the S.A.F.E. case located at Holmes and MLK.

Council Member Kingston would like to see the data on the rising crime rate across the country. There was discussion on the increased criticism of police officers and the danger of the job. He would like to see this data for 2016. Even with DPD's new initiatives being presented to help reduce violent crime, Council Member Kingston would like staff to present to the committee a long-term strategy this year.

**Motion made by:**  
**Item passed unanimously:**   
**Item failed unanimously:**

**Motion Seconded by:**  
**Item passed on a divided vote:**   
**Item failed on a divided vote:**

**3. Community Policing 2.0 (CP 2.0)**

**Presenter(s):** Assistant Chief Santos Cadena, DPD  
**Information Only:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**  
This briefing provided the committee with an update on the Community Policing 2.0 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:**

**4. Communications Operations Center (Handling Calls for Service)**

**Presenter(s):** Major Elaine Page, DPD  
**Information Only:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**  
This briefing provided the committee with an overview of the Communications Operations Center. Council Member Gates would like the call volume number for DFR and the DPD data over time for the mental health (Signal 46) calls. Council Member McGough mentioned sending out a text message to callers upon dispatch. Chief Brown talked about "Text to 911" and how staff has been working with CIS. This will be a future briefing to the committee to provide an update.

Council Member Young would like to see continuing education/training both on the 911 call takers side and at the community meetings about when an officer is dispatched versus not dispatched. Chief Brown stated that DPD currently doesn't have a group that comes out to provide training from 911 but this will be something that he will implement. Council Member Greyson requested a briefing on the CIS upgrades to the 911 call system. Council Member Kingston would like to have the data for the "frequent flyers" on Signal 46.

**Motion made by:**  
**Item passed unanimously:**   
**Item failed unanimously:**

**Motion Seconded by:**  
**Item passed on a divided vote:**   
**Item failed on a divided vote:**

**5. Administrative (Police) Reports**

**Presenter(s):** Deputy Chief Gilberto Garza, DPD  
**Information Only:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**  
This informational memo provided the committee with an update on previously briefed police involved shooting investigations in the Internal Affairs Division that are now completed. Council Member Young has questions regarding these reports and would like staff to meet with her.

**Motion made by:**  
**Item passed unanimously:**   
**Item failed unanimously:**

**Motion Seconded by:**  
**Item passed on a divided vote:**   
**Item failed on a divided vote:**

**6. Upcoming Agenda Item(s)**

**Presenter(s):** Council Member Medrano, Chair

**Information Only:**

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

A motion was made to move forward to full council for approval; item passed with Council Member Kingston voting against.

**Motion made by:** Council Member Young

**Item passed unanimously:**

**Item failed unanimously:**

**Motion Seconded by:** Council Member Greyson

**Item passed on a divided vote:**

**Item failed on a divided vote:**

**7. Jack Evans Security Enhancements**

**(Executive Session – Pursuant to Section 551.076 of the Texas Open Meetings Act)**

**Presenter(s):** Council Member Medrano, Chair

**Information Only:**

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

Council Member Medrano called the committee into executive session at 1:04 P.M. for a discussion with Assistant Director of Public Works, Zaida Basora, regarding the security audit of the City of Dallas Police Department facilities.

Council Member Medrano called the committee back into open session at 1:45 P.M.

Council Member Kingston moved to forward the Jack Evans lobby proposal to full council for an action item without the committee's current recommendations for approval subject to the committee receiving their individual briefings from ACM Eric Campbell. Also, on the same action item he would like the Council briefed and allowed to consider for approval the sub-stations lobby items that were presented.

**Motion made by:**

**Item passed unanimously:**

**Item failed unanimously:**

**Motion Seconded by:**

**Item passed on a divided vote:**

**Item failed on a divided vote:**

**APPROVED BY:**

**ATTEST:**

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Adam Medrano, Chair  
Public Safety Committee

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Crystal Lee, Coordinator  
Public Safety Committee