

# Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, June 11, 2018

Convened: 11:04 A.M.

Adjourned: 12:00 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Council Member B. Adam McGough, Chair  
Council Member Philip T. Kingston, Vice Chair  
Council Member Jennifer S. Gates  
Mayor Pro Tem Dwaine R. Caraway  
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Adam Medrano  
Council Member Sandy Greyson  
Council Member Kevin Felder

Committee Members Absent:

Other Council Members Present:

**AGENDA:**

**Call to Order**

**1. May 14, 2018 PSCJ Committee Meeting Minutes**

Presenter(s): Council Member B. Adam McGough, Chair

Information Only:

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

A motion was made to approve the May 14, 2018 meeting minutes.

Motion made by: DMPT Medrano

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Kingston

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

**2. Upcoming Agenda items**

Presenter(s): ACM Jon Fortune, CMO

Information Only:

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

Councilmember Gates had question on upcoming Agenda Item #28. She asked whether the new regulations to allow military experience to be used in lieu of college credit for Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) Department applicants are the same for police? DFR Chief Coatney responded the department is going to align with police criteria and mirror the required military service which is three years as opposed to four. The average term of a military member currently is three years.

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. TAAG Update

**Presenter(s):** David Pughes, Executive Assistant Chief, Chief U. Renee Hall (Dallas Police Department)

**Information Only:**

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

Staff provided the Committee with a TAAG “Targeted Area Action Grids” assessment and evaluation. The department began identifying these areas in 2008. For 2018, the target area action grids were created utilizing new methodology. The new areas are smaller and focused measuring only 1/16th of a square mile. These areas have been identified throughout the city. The new areas were created through an analysis of violent crime, property crime and current indicators, such as the number of gang members and parolees that live in the area. These indicators provide both historical and predictive policing information for the department. The target area action grids provide information to commanders for deployment of resources in the most effective and efficient manner. These tag areas are then broken down by division and further by time of day to allow each patrol division to have an understanding of criminal activity hotspot areas within their division. These TAAG maps by division and district can be located on the Dallas Police Department website under the resources tab: <http://www.dallaspolice.net/resource#tv>.

**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. Project Safe Neighborhood

**Presenter(s):** Deputy Chief Albert Martinez, Dallas Police Department

**Information Only:**

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

As part of the Dallas Police Department's strategic plan for 2018, the Dallas Police Department is participating in Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN). This project presented to committee is a nationwide commitment to reduce gun crime in America by networking existing local programs that target gun crime and providing those programs with additional tools to fit the specific gun crime problems in each area. This nationwide commitment to reduce gun crime involves collaboration between local, State and Federal resources, all working towards a common goal of creating safer communities. DPD will be partnering with the United States Attorney, the FBI, DEA and other law enforcement agencies to target gun crime and violent offenders. The program is a yearlong initiative that involves community engagement and outreach that creates a sustainable safe environment for neighborhoods in the city.

**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. Committee Action Matrix**

**Presenter(s):** ACM Jon Fortune, CMO

**Information Only:**

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

Staff provided the Committee with responses to the requests/questions asked during previous Committee meetings along with an updated action matrix.

**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:**

B. Adam McGough, Chair  
Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee

**ATTEST:**

Victoria Cruz, Coordinator  
Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee

