

Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, December 10, 2018

Convened: 11:04 A.M.

Adjourned: 12:11 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 Casey Thomas
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. November 26, 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 November 26, 2018 meeting minutes.

Motion made by: CM Greyson

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Kingston

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Municipal Court Review of Non-Adjudicated Cases

Presenter(s): Daisy Fast, Interim Assistant Director of Court & Detention Services, Rodney Patten, Chief Prosecutor, Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Staff provided the committee with an overview of outstanding cases that have not yet resulted in adjudication. The process for non-adjudicated cases, tools and options to encourage defendants to respond to their citation(s), practices of other Texas Municipal Courts and a recommendation to review these outstanding cases was provided. Recommendations include Dallas Municipal Court to use a phased-in approach to administratively address cases that fall in the following categories:

- Inactive officers/deceased officers (traffic offenses only)
- Cases without a complaint (charging instrument)
- Cases that are aged (i.e. >10 years) (62% of cases)

Upcoming initiatives include increasing the focus on warrant round-ups and continuing collaboration with surrounding counties to expedite disposition of city cases while defendant is in county jail.

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. Civil Service Rule XXIII Revision

Presenter(s): Angela Shaw, Assistant Chief, Dallas Police Department

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The committee was briefed on Civil Service Rule XXIII Revision. An active, valid Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) license is proposed to be accepted in lieu of the current 45 required hours of college. Currently, 36 months of military service or law enforcement experience waives the college requirement. Staff recommends the Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee forward the following to City Council for consideration and approval: Adoption of Revised Civil Service Rule XXIII.

Motion made by: CM Greyson
Item passed unanimously:
Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Medrano
Item passed on a divided vote:
Item failed on a divided vote:

4. Dallas Fire-Rescue's (DFR) Wildland Team-California

Presenter(s): Special Operations-Deputy Chief, Charlie Salazar, Dallas Fire-Rescue

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The Committee was briefed on Dallas Fire-Rescue's (DFR) Wildland Team and the significance of their two Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) fire assignments to California. An overview of the California Wildfires, Emergency Management Assistance Compact, Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System, and the DFR Wildland Team was presented. The purpose of the California assignment was to protect the City of Dallas's WUI community through a well-trained and tested DFR-Wildland Team. Training gaps include: more engine-bosses, more sawyers, and the need to work with the State to get task-books signed off. Resources gaps include: replacement designated strike team leader vehicle, Type III fire engines, Type VI fire engines, and crew bus.

Lessons learned:

- WUI mitigation is important
- Evacuation in large scale wind driven events is critical
- Training and experience gained is cost neutral (reimbursed)
- Unified Command and ICS is important

Council asks about reimbursements. The State of Texas reimbursed DFR first, then the State of California will reimburse the State of Texas. In the future, DFR will be coming to committee for a recommendation to receive updated/new equipment.

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. High-Rise Mass Violence Full Scale Exercise

Presenter(s): Tiffany Reid, Training & Exercise Coordinator, Office of Emergency Management

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The PSCJ Committee was briefed by Tiffany Reid, Training & Exercise Coordinator, from the Office of Emergency Management on an upcoming full-scale exercise at Renaissance Tower involving Dallas Fire-Rescue Department, Dallas Police Department, and the Office of Emergency Management. The purpose of the January 12, 2019, exercise is to test the capabilities of Dallas' public safety departments. Joint full scale and functional exercises that test the capabilities of each department will continue. The exercise will evaluate gaps in response capabilities and create trainings and exercises, implement joint training on high-rise tactics, floor plan applications, and more training on floor plan applications.

Next steps include:

- Conduct two dry-runs of the FSX
- Invite downtown partners and City Management to observe the exercise
- Develop an After-Action Report based on findings from the exercise
- Address areas for improvement through future trainings
- Prepare first responders for larger scale active shooter exercise in May

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. Committee Action Matrix

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

No questions/comments were presented regarding the committee action matrix.

7. Upcoming Agenda Item(s)

Presenter(s): ACM Jon Fortune, CMO

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

No questions/comments were presented regarding the December 12, 2018 upcoming agenda items.

Motion made by: CM Gates

Item passed unanimously:

Item failed unanimously:

Motion Seconded by: CM Medrano

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote:

8. Installation of Crosswalks Memorandum

This memo was provided to the committee for review. No questions/comments were presented.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

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

Victoria Cruz, Coordinator
Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee