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Meeting Minutes - Draft PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 10, 2012

5:00 PM

Madison Police Department
East Police District
809 South Thompson Drive

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 6 -

Jill Johnson; Merrilee Pickett; Ernest E. Horinek; Ryan M. Jennissen;
Maurice S. Cheeks and Chan M. Stroman

Excused: 2 -

Paul E. Skidmore and Matthew J. Phair

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ernie Horinek made a motion to approve the September 19th, 2012 meeting minutes. Merrilee Pickett seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Item Number: 27815

Tom Galway, President of the Madison Coin Club registered to both speak and answer questions.

Bill Bremer, member of the Madison Coin Club registered as being available to the committee to answer questions.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [27648](#) Granting the Fire Chief the authority to negotiate with other jurisdictions in Dane County on agreements for fire and emergency medical services, fire plan review services and other fire prevention services.

Ryan Jennissen made a motion to table item number 27648. Ernie Horinek seconded the motion. The motion to table was then reversed when Assistant Chief Popovich arrived at the meeting. Alder Johnson made a motion to un-table item number 27648. Ernie Horinek seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved.

Assistant Fire Chief Popovich indicated that this resolution is an official way of

negotiating contracts for the City to provide Fire Department services to other Dane County jurisdictions. He said other agencies request Madison Fire as a resource when their budgets are tight to augment for city services or assist in other areas. He said this is something that has always been done, but with the proposed resolution it will make it official.

Alder Johnson made a motion for approval. Ryan Jennissen seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved item number 27648.

This Resolution was RECOMMEND TO BOARD OF ESTIMATES

2. [27785](#) Amending Section 34.105 of the Madison General Ordinances to increase the late fee for Madison Fire Department licenses.

Assistant Chief Popovich shared that the Clerk's Office handles on-going special permit requests. If an agency has a recurring permit and doesn't come forward and pay the fee each year than a late fee of 25% is charged. He said that this fee is currently being done for the fire department like all other city agencies, although the fire department ordinance indicates that it should be a 15% fee. He said that the fire department is requesting an ordinance change to reflect the 25% late fee to be uniform across all city agencies.

Merrilee Pickett made a motion to increase the late fees to reflect the 25% like other city agencies. Ryan Jennissen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by the committee.

This Ordinance was RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER

3. [27815](#) Amending Sections 9.24(3) and 9.24(7)(c)1. of the Madison General Ordinances to relating to an exemption from licensing of secondhand dealers for a coin show held by a bona fide nonprofit coin club and clarifying photograph requirements for secondhand dealers.

Tom Galway, President of the Madison Coin Club registered to both speak and answer questions.

Bill Bremer, member of the Madison Coin Club registered as being available to the committee to answer questions.

Mr. Galway inquired with the committee if they are aware of the five amendments of the ordinance. He mentioned that he supports 2, 3 and 4 but is against 1 and 5. He shared that 1 and 5 doesn't distinguish the various gold coin show dealers. He said that it wouldn't allow private shows that are held in Madison as such by a city resident and would still allow those dealers that post ads in the paper, stay for the weekend and buy everything. He said if approved he could further explain to Council on what he is referring to.

Ryan Jennissen made a motion for discussion. Alder Johnson seconded the motion.

This Ordinance was RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER

REPORTS

4. [27952](#) Report on the East District - Captain Mary Schauf

Captain Mary Schauf of the East District explained the boundaries of the district updating the committee on a few of the neighborhoods such as Owl Creek, Darbo/Worthington, and O'Brien Court. Neighborhood Officer Susie Gonzalez from the Darbo/Worthington neighborhood was also present as well. With each of these neighborhoods Captain Schauf explained the problems that those neighborhoods have corrected or those that continue to be worked on. She then spoke a little on the East Washington corridor and the budget motels with one making a few changes with small renovations and a rate increase and another one becoming a landlord with the rental of rooms. She then touched a little on the retail corridor area and the problems that are seen with those such as theft from autos and retail thefts. She shared some of the focus that the district is currently working on and that is problem solving analysis on residential burglaries. An initiative that always remains a focus is traffic and speeding. A question was asked regarding LaFollette High School and if there are any problems being reported at the school. Captain Schauf replied that there have been very few problems and that Principal Weise is doing a great job. She said the restorative justice model is working out great. There was great discussion with committee members during the presentation.
5. [27954](#) Report from the Madison Fire Department - Assistant Chief Popovich

Assistant Chief Popovich shared that the presidential visit went well. He said it was staffed from fire with an engine and hazmat. He said that there were medics staffed working the event and that there were a few small incidents. He then mentioned this time of the year there are spikes with additional calls for service with heating and fire places. He ended by sharing that Station #13 is moving ahead and that the opening date is scheduled for Spring of 2014.
6. [27955](#) Report from the Madison Police Department - Captain Lengfeld

Captain Lengfeld from the Madison Police Department shared that 240 police officers worked the presidential visit and that an additional 250 from the County/State and outlying agencies assisted as well. Financially, he shared that costs were a lot lower than the visit four years ago and that they will receive some funding to cover costs. Next, he mentioned that the annual shift pick is coming up the first week of November where officers pick their assignments that become effective in February, 2013. He said this is also the time that closed positions are done as well.
7. [27958](#) Report from Alder Skidmore - Dane County 911 Center

This item was dismissed until the November meeting due to Alder Skidmore's excused absence.
8. [27959](#) Mayor's Office meeting report - Merrilee Pickett

Merrilee Pickett met with a staff member to the Mayor, Astra Iheukumere regarding the role of the Public Safety Review Committee. From the meeting she mentioned that Iheukumere shared a suggestion that the committee have a

strategic planning meeting for the future of the committee. She also mentioned that the committee should come up with initiatives being that Alders are on the committee to introduce ideas through proper channels. It was also suggested that either Chief Wray or Mayor Soglin attend the meeting or George Hank in Building Inspection.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. [27957](#) Community/Panel Discussion - Ryan Jennissen

Ryan Jennissen shared that when he attended the community partnership discussion at the Madison Police training facility that he found it extremely interesting. He said Chief Wray's comment really made him think further with regard to the uptick of violence in the city over the past six months and why we are not seeing outrage from the community. He said from this he wanted to inquire further with the committee on the role we can take. He proposed an initiative working with Madison police such as neighborhood and educational resource officers and other partnerships such as Madison Urban League. The committee inquired if members of the public should come together or to begin if it should be an informational meeting with the committee to specify goals. It was decided that Jennissen would take the lead on this working with Captain Lengfeld from the Madison Police and would report back to the committee.

10. [27960](#) Follow-up on the Sensitive Crimes Committee

Chair Stroman shared with the group that she would continue to inquire with the committee on the sensitive crimes committee member until it is filled. She shared that the committee meets the 1st Tuesday of the month from 8:30am-10am and has a vacancy for a member of the public safety review committee. Captain Lengfeld said that he served on the committee previously and that it really is a great committee to be involved with. He said it works on policies for sensitive crimes among other items with members of the committee being very valuable.

FUTURE AGENDA AND COMMITTEE WORK ITEMS

There was discussion on future agenda items for the committee. One of those was what was previously discussed during the meeting with member Jennissen following up with Captain Lengfeld. A suggestion from Chair Stroman was that action items are brought forward for the agenda. She said she would like the committee to take more of a leadership role going forward. There was talk of inviting City Attorney Zilavy regarding a nuisance action item.

ADJOURNMENT

Alder Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Co-Chair Cheeks seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm.

Tour of the East District