



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Amended PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW COMMITTEE

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Tuesday, June 12, 2012

5:00 PM

Madison Police Department  
211 South Carroll Street  
City-County Building  
Room GR-22, Conference Room

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**Present:** 6 -  
Paul E. Skidmore; Jill Johnson; Merrilee Pickett; David K. Dison; Matthew J. Phair and Chan M. Stroman

**Absent:** 2 -  
Ernest E. Horinek and Maurice S. Cheeks

**Excused:** 1 -  
Ryan M. Jennissen

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alder Phair made a motion to approve the May 17, 2012 PSRC meeting minutes. Alder Johnson seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

### PRESENTATIONS

1. [26398](#) Presentation from Mark Woulf, City of Madison Alcohol Policy Coordinator on the Alcohol License Density Plan.  
  
Mark Woulf, City of Madison Alcohol Policy Coordinator on the Alcohol License Density Plan, was not in attendance at the beginning of the meeting. A motion was made by Alder Johnson, seconded by Alder Phair to move this agenda item to later in the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

### REPORTS

2. [26682](#) Update from the Madison Fire Department - Assistant Chief Popovich  
  
Assistant Michael Chief Popovich provided an update from the Madison Fire Department. There have been a significant amount of EMS calls involving victims that had a difficult impact on responders. Employees have received debriefing from EAP to help them cope with these incidents. The remodel of

Station #2 has been pushed back to July 15, 2012. The remodel of Station #1 has gone back to City agencies and will take place when funding becomes available to take down the Fire Administration Building. The new Fire Administration Building will be built next to Station #1 on Dayton Street. There is operating money to build Station #13. Fire will find out shortly if it will obtain a grant to hire up to 18 new personnel. Fire is currently performing background checks on 30 people, who were identified through the screening process and from Chief interviews. The recruit class will begin in October 2012 with between 24 and 10 recruits, depending on funding sources. Merrilllee Pickett wanted more elaboration on the EMS calls that required EAP intervention. Asst. Chief Popovich explained that some incidents, mainly car accidents, had an effect on personnel because of the trauma involved. Alder Phair asked about the grant and its effect on staffing. Asst. Chief Popovich explained that if the grant is received, there will be more funding to hire personnel. Also, retirements cannot be anticipated, so the numbers to replace these personnel are not known at the present time. Depending on funding and if a grant is obtained, a class of between 24 to 10 is anticipated. MATC hopes to move to its new facility on Pearson Street by fall, and the new recruit class will be able to take advantage of these new quarters.

3. [26683](#)

Update from the Madison Police Department - Captain Lengfeld

Captain Jay Lengfeld indicated that the 18 Police recruits started in the Academy last week. A press conference was held on the shootings in the City. This resulted in having 16-18 persons arrested, held in jail, or the paperwork for warrants in the DA's office. Three shootings happened last weekend. These incidents are being given high priority. Groups of case detectives are working on tying people together, and people are being identified federally. Taking people federally means a higher sentence for the felon. When the main individuals are removed, usually the incidents quiet down. Gang activity in the middle schools is on the rise. The Police Department is working with the Madison Metropolitan School System (MMSD) to curb this problem. The gang unit is also working with this age group to prevent the problem from escalating. Alder Skidmore would like to see an Educational Resource Officer (ERO) in each middle school. There was discussion on funding limitations. MMSD provides 75% of the funding for an ERO. The School District is facing difficult financial issues and is devising alternative ways to make schools safer.

Merrillee Pickett would like to hear reports from the Alders on PSRC in addition to Police and Fire. She would like to know how violence problems are being addressed by City politicians. Alder Skidmore mentioned initiatives the Mayor is bringing forward. The responsibilities of the PSRC and different ways that PSRC could bring policy issues forward were discussed. Merrilllee Pickett indicated that she would like to hear a short report from each Alder on PSRC at the meetings. Alder Phair stated that the Common Council is starting to exam if a Legislative Agenda should be instituted, whereby 3-5 ideas that are in the best interest of the City are tackled by the Common Council. One of the things that Alder Phair is working on is education and working with the School District on the high dropout rate. He would like to have a City-wide initiative to resolve these problems. Alder Johnson would like to concentrate on economic development. Unless Madison has a healthy economic base and tax base, everyone suffers. The Economic Development Committee is looking at ways to encourage more development and businesses coming to the City instead of

fleeing to other areas.

Merrillee Pickett would like to give to presenters the questions that people would like answered. Chair Stroman indicated that the PSRC committee does not have legislative authority. The best way to get things done is to be in contact with people who do have this authority, and to assist and facilitate what they do. Alder Skidmore stated that he brings forward initiatives coming from his constituents, as do the other Alders. Alder Johnson indicated that each Alder brings forward issues that are important to their district. Alder Phair indicated that there are small pockets of crime that impact the City, and a lot of resources are devoted to these areas. Chair Stroman indicated that more specific issues should be identified and brought forward as future agenda items.

4. [26684](#) Report on the Dane County 911 Center - Alder Skidmore

Attachments: [Maycntrbrdmin.doc](#)

Alder Skidmore indicated that there is not much change from last meeting. The Director was very optimistic about the progress of the radio project. People are wondering if the deadline will be met. The 911 Center will elect a new Chair at the June Center Board meeting. One topic at the June meeting will be that the Town of Deer Grove plans to hire a private contractor to provide public services. At the July meeting the Harris Corporation, the provider of the new radio project, will give a progress report.

## MISCELLANEOUS

List of future agenda items, List of tentative PSRC meeting locations/topics - Discussion for the remainder of 2012.

A handout was distributed indicating Future Agenda Items for PSRC. This listing was compiled at a previous meeting. Some additional topics were brought up at this meeting:

- Public Safety in Schools – Invite Luis Yudice, Security Director for MMSD, to give a presentation and discussion with questions and answers.
- Gang Task Force – Increasing trends on violence in schools.
- Role of PSRC – Legislation is created because ideas are brought forward and discussed. The duties of the PSRC were read and suggestions were made on how to move ideas forward.
- Public Health – Presentation on reducing violence in a different way
- NRT's

The PSRC meeting schedule was distributed. If committee members want specific details on topics, these requests should be forwarded to Capt. Lengfeld. He will make sure the proper person will be present.

Alder Skidmore made a motion to refer Mark Woulf's presentation to next month. Seconded by David Dison. Motion passed.

## ADJOURNMENT

**Alder Skidmore made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chair Stroman. The committee unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.**