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Meeting Minutes - Draft PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

5:00 PM

Madison Police Department
Community Room - GR21
211 South Carroll Street

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Paul E. Skidmore; Maurice S. Cheeks; Merrilee Pickett; Sara E. Eskrich;
Dena M. Carreyn; Bruce P. Frey and Chan M. Stroman

Absent: 3 - Ernest E. Horinek; Wayne S. Strong and John Strasser

The March, 2015 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. [37993](#) Report from the Madison Police Department - Captain Ackeret

Captain Ackeret was not available for the meeting.
2. [37994](#) Report from the Madison Fire Department - Assistance Chief Langer

Assistant Fire Chief Langer shared firefighter interviews will begin taking place with a new process beginning in the fall. There is also a Lieutenant process with those selected moving forward, then the assessment center.
3. [37995](#) Report from Alders

Alder Skidmore reported the main discussion that has taken place has been regarding the Officer Involved Shooting. He shared there have been several cases of weapon violence and strong armed robberies that has been disruptive to the city.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

4. [37405](#) Amending Section 24.02 and 1.08(3)(a) of the Madison General Ordinances to include disorderly conduct involving telecommunication messages and establishing the bail deposit for said violation.

Attachments: [Body](#)

Assistant City Attorney Paulsen indicated that the ordinance would add language that would cover current technology of electronic devices such as texting and e-mailing. Currently, the ordinance only covers phone calls. The new language would give an officer the ability to issue a disorderly conduct ticket in those cases. Chan Stroman indicated that she does not support the ordinance as she feels it has an effect on free speech rights. Dena Carreyn said she would support the ordinance to give officers the ability to issue a disorderly conduct citation, although she had concerns for those that are repeat offenders and the consequences of individuals who send text or e-mails that are life threatening. Alder Skidmore shared he supports the ordinance as he has seen it and been in a similar situation.

Absent: 3 - Ernest E. Horinek; Wayne S. Strong and John Strasser

Ayes: 6 - Paul E. Skidmore; Maurice S. Cheeks; Merrilee Pickett; Sara E. Eskrich; Dena M. Carreyn and Bruce P. Frey

Noes: 1 - Chan M. Stroman

5. [37415](#) Establishing a Glass-Free Zone for Langdon Street between North Park and North Lake Streets, and North Park Street between University Avenue and Observatory Drive, from 10:00 a.m. on May 2, 2015 to 2:00 a.m. on May 3, 2015.

Attachments: [2015 Glass-Free Zone Map \(Reverly\)](#)

The committee voted unanimously in favor of establishing a Glass-Free zone on specific streets noted in the ordinance during Reverly.

6. [37506](#) Accepting a Report of the Fire Chief on Cross Jurisdictional Dispatching.

Attachments: [Border Drop_davis-final_doc.pdf](#)

This was a repeat item that has already been discussed during the March PSRC meeting.

7. [37861](#) Creating Section 26.14 and amending Sec. 1.08(3)(a) of the Madison General Ordinances to establish a child sex offender cannot reside within 2000 feet of a school or community center and establish bail deposit schedule for violation thereof.

Attachments: [Body](#)
[Map](#)

Assistant City Attorney (ACA) Paulsen shared the ordinance would not allow child sex offenders to reside within 2000 feet of a school or community center. Alder Weier expressed her concerns on the recent placements of child sex offenders in communities that have several children present and feels the ordinance would protect the children. ACA Paulsen shared a zone map of the areas that have a school or community center where a child sex offender would not be able to reside. Dena Carreyn inquired if daycare's are included in the ordinance. ACA Paulsen shared that given the number of daycare's

within the city there would only be a very small area are for child sex offenders to live. Alder Skidmore shared that he supports the ordinance as it is a mechanism to keep children safe. Chan Stroman asked if it would be for those child sex offenders would be grandfathered into the clause in which ACA Paulsen replied it would not be for those who are already a child sex offender and live within the 2000 feet of a school or community center, but for those going forward.

The committee voted unanimously in favor of the proposed ordinance.

NEW COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. [37996](#) Comparing a similar Dane County Public Safety Meeting to Public Safety Review Committee - Merrilee Pickett
- Merrilee Pickett mentioned that she was looking at Dane County committees that may be similar to the PSRC and asked if there was interest in the PSRC collaborating. There were two committees suggested; County Protection and Judiciary and the City-County liaison committee. It was mentioned that County committees operate a little differently than City committees as their standards are different and the members are made up of supervisors and not the public. It was decided this would not be pursued further at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

9. [22805](#) Election of the Chair and Co-Chair of the Public Safety Review Committee
- Given all of the changes to the PSRC roster it was decided that the election of Chair and Vice-Chair would be postponed until the May meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Alder Skidmore made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dean Carreyn seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.