



Agenda

Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

9:00 AM

First Floor Assembly Rooms A, B

CALL TO ORDER

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

MINUTES OF MEETINGS

- 1 **For Approval or Correction, the Minutes of the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meetings on November 8, 2017 and December 13, 2017.** Page 5

CONSENT ACTION (ITEM 2)

- 2 **Authorization to Enter into Agreements with the United States Department of Agriculture to Accept Reimbursement for Police Services** Page 19

This report requests the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee recommend City Council approval to enter into agreements with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General to accept funds not to exceed \$100,000.00 in reimbursement for police services.

THIS ITEM IS FOR CONSENT ACTION

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by the Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr. and the Police Department.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION (ITEMS 3-6)

3 Update on Nextdoor

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This report provides the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee with an update on the Police Department's utilization of Nextdoor.com.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr. and the Police Department.

4 Light Rail Safety and Security Update

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This report provides the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee with an analysis of the transit safety and security needs. Safety and security along the transit system is a top priority and is provided through multiple layers, including the Phoenix Police Department precincts and the Transit Enforcement Unit (TEU), a section of the Phoenix Police Department specifically focused on public transit and Valley Metro.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Deputy City Manager Mario Paniagua and the Police and Public Transit Departments.

5 Unmanned Aerial Systems - DRONES

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This report is to provide an update on the city's plan to address DRONE usage in the business and residential community and seek guidance and direction from the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr., Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Fire and Police departments.

6 Mountain Rescues Update - 2017

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This report provides an update to the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee on Phoenix Fire and Police departments' mountain rescue efforts during calendar year 2017.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr. and the Fire and Police departments.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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Members:

Councilman Michael Nowakowski, Chair
Vice Mayor Laura Pastor
Councilwoman Thelda Williams

Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee



City of Phoenix

City Council Report

Agenda Date: 1/10/2018, Item No. 1

For Approval or Correction, the Minutes of the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meetings on November 8, 2017 and December 13, 2017.

Summary

This item transmits the minutes of the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meetings on November 8, 2017 and December 13, 2017 for review, correction or approval by the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee.

The minutes are attached.

**Phoenix City Council
Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee
Summary Minutes
Wednesday, November 8, 2017**

City Council Subcommittee Room
Phoenix City Hall, Assembly Rooms A, B and C
200 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, Ariz.

Subcommittee Members Present

Councilman Michael Nowakowski, Chair
Vice Mayor Laura Pastor
Councilwoman Thelda Williams

Subcommittee Members Absent

Call to Order

Chairman Nowakowski called the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. with Councilwoman Williams present. Vice Mayor Pastor was absent but joined the meeting later in person.

Call to the Public

Ginne Ann Sumner discussed her concerns with homeless by choice, stating it has a negative impact on the community's neighborhoods, parks, libraries and businesses. She said the Phoenix C.A.R.E.S. program is not the answer and the issue has to do with communication between departments. She requested the topic be included on a future agenda.

1. For Approval or Correction, the Minutes of the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meeting on October 11, 2017

Councilwoman Williams made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2017 Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee meeting. Chairman Nowakowski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 2:0.

Items 2-4 were for consent action. No presentations were planned but staff was available to answer questions.

2. Award RFP 16-01 for Strategic Planning Consultant Services to Integrated Solutions Consulting

Councilwoman Williams made a motion to approve consent items 2 and 4. Chairman Nowakowski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 2:0.

3. Authorize Funding for Four Civilian Police Staff Positions Annually from the Proposition 301 Neighborhood Block Watch Grant Fund

Candice Fremouw discussed funds for neighborhood protection to grow the Block Watch program and the 2017-18 budget neighborhood protection ordinance. She asked Council to vote no on funding \$500,000 out of neighborhood reserves.

Chairman Nowakowski asked if staff could explain Proposition 301 and the allocations going to officers. He asked if the City watches the budget to ensure there are enough revenues for Block Watch grants and volunteers.

Assistant Chief Counsel, Patricia Boland, stated she looked at the language of the proposition and determined the monies could be used for positions totally dedicated to the Block Watch programs.

Budget and Research Director, Jeff Barton, stated considerable oversight is applied to these funds. He said every year the expenditures are reviewed to ensure the ability to sustain the number of positions. He said an audit review determined all Proposition 301 expenditures were in alignment. He explained these four positions only support the Block Watch program and did not exist prior to the program, so they should not be an expense of the general fund.

Vice Mayor Pastor joined the meeting in person at 9:09 a.m.

Councilwoman Williams asked why there are four positions. She asked for more specification on the yearly review of these positions and if staff does the grading.

Mr. Barton said there are four positions because they are required to administer the program by reviewing all the grants, proposals, oversight, and checks and balances. He deferred to Police Administrator, Jill Celaya, for more information on the four positions.

Ms. Celaya stated over the last five years, there was an average of 178 grant applications submitted and an average of 164 applications were processed and approved. She said the four positions manage, audit, and review all the funding related to these applications on a monthly basis. For the yearly review, Ms. Celaya said staff closes out all the grants at the end of each fiscal year from the previous fiscal year, followed by signing workshops to approve new grants from Council. She said staff works with the oversight committee to complete the grading and are in charge of those meetings.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked if the four positions are active police officers and if they grant, administer, and audit all the applications. She also asked if Block Watch grant or fund monies pays for the four positions now.

Ms. Celaya said the four positions are civilians. She confirmed the four positions grant, administer, and audit all the applications and also submit quarterly reports and assist the oversight committee with the grading. She confirmed the Block Watch grant monies pays for the positions now.

Councilwoman Williams asked how much rollover is in the fund balance and if the oversight committee can recommend a higher amount. She expressed concern for the fund balance growing instead of being used in neighborhoods to help Block Watches, but also wants the City to be able to afford the four positions long-term.

Mr. Barton stated there is almost \$500,000 a year rolling over into the fund balance and he confirmed the oversight committee could recommend a higher amount. He stated staff would monitor the fund balance. He said staff completes quarterly reports for the Block Watch committee to make sure there is ample fund balance to sustain the program. Every

fiscal year during the technical review process, the Police Department is given the option to use more money from the fund balance.

Vice Mayor Pastor stated she does not want the program to be unsustainable. She asked what is the cost of the four civilians, how much does the fund balance have and how many Block Watches has the City given. She also asked if the amount of Block Watches grows, will there be less dollars to grant applications.

Mr. Barton said the cost of the four civilians is \$440,000, the fund balance has \$3.5 million, and the City gives out about \$1.3 million in Block Watches per year. He said there will not be less dollars to grant applications if they grow. He explained there is about \$100,000 left in annual revenue every year plus the current fund balance amount, so the program should sustain itself for quite a while.

Candice Fremouw stated the ballot language does not include language stating general City administrative or overhead costs can be paid from these funds. She expressed concern about depleting a reserve from fiscally responsible neighborhoods. She asked Council to either table staff's request or deny it.

Chairman Nowakowski asked if staff could explain the ballot language.

Ms. Boland said the ballot includes the language general City administrative or overhead costs cannot pay for positions already in place. She said at the time the ballot was passed, these four positions did not exist.

Mr. Barton added the language on the ballot is in reference to a supplanting clause. He said the ballot was set up to ensure the positions and funding came with a one tenth percent increment and did not go to supplant the general fund cost. He said these four positions did not exist prior to the grant, so they should not be an extension of the general fund.

Councilwoman Williams asked if staff is making this request because of next year's budget problems.

Mr. Barton said next year's budget is part of it but every year the City evaluates alignment with the general fund and all items outside the general fund. He said like any other position or program the City offers, staff tries to make sure the general fund is only paying for its fair share of costs. He said these four positions are not general fund costs.

Councilwoman Williams said she thinks she could support this on a temporary basis until the budget turns around or until there is another way to fund the positions.

Chairman Nowakowski requested job description details of the four positions, the workshops, and how it is benefiting Block Watch.

Vice Mayor Pastor made a motion to continue the item. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 3:0.

4. Authorization to Enter into Agreements with the United States Food and Drug Administration to Accept Reimbursement for Police Services

Councilwoman Williams made a motion to approve consent items 2 and 4. Chairman Nowakowski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 2:0.

Councilwoman Williams made a motion to move item 9 out of order to go next. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 3:0.

9. Reappointment of Phoenix Municipal Court Judges

Chief Presiding Judge, B. Don Taylor III, introduced two of the members of the Court's bench in attendance for the reappointment process.

City Judge, Monyette Nyquist, detailed her background, stating she has been a judge with the City of Phoenix for seven years. She said her position gives her the opportunity to help people who appear in the City's Courthouse. She said she is appreciative of the position and hopes Council will give her another opportunity to be a judge in the City of Phoenix for the next four years.

Councilwoman Williams stated she read the backup material on Judge Nyquist and said she is doing very well, helping to set the standards.

Chairman Nowakowski told the public the City's judges go through a seven-step process to be evaluated. He thanked Judge Nyquist for all her hard efforts and participation in the community.

Councilwoman Williams made a motion for the Subcommittee to recommend to City Council to reappoint Judge Nyquist for her next term, ending on December 19, 2021. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 3:0.

City Judge, Robert Doyle, stated it has also been his pleasure to be a member of the Phoenix Municipal Court. He said it is his 12th year with the Court and it is an honor to meet and work with the people of Phoenix every day.

Councilwoman Williams asked if he could explain some of the issues putting him at a lower standard than average.

Mr. Doyle explained there are times when he is not as patient as he should be in a courtroom. He said he has taken the example of Judge Nyquist and some of his colleagues, and worked with his supervisor and the Presiding Judge. He said he has made efforts to be more calm and patient, completing programs through the employee assistance program.

Vice Mayor Pastor said she is glad he is going through training and suggested he take the time to process his thoughts before putting them in action.

J.J. Johnson spoke about working with Judge Doyle for the past 10 years as a criminal defense investigator in Maricopa County. He said Judge Doyle has always treated his clients with courtesy, dignity, and respect. He requested Council retain Judge Doyle.

Chairman Nowakowski stated there are some unfavorable comments from the public included in his packet, and also concerns about minimal training and community involvement. He said he would like to see a period where Judge Doyle can correct some of these concerns and come back in another evaluation.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked how he would be evaluated.

Judge Taylor III said the judicial selection advisory board will run the survey again after six months' time.

Councilwoman Williams made a motion to table the reappointment of Judge Doyle and the consideration of his reappointment to come back to the Public Safety and Veteran's Subcommittee in a period of six months with improvements noted. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 3:0.

Chairman Nowakowski requested to complete item 8 next. Councilwoman Williams made a motion to move item 8 out of order. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 3:0.

8. Departments Budget Update

Police Administrator, Jill Celaya, gave a budget update, stating the Police department is on budget having spent \$165 million through the end of September. She said the month of September is 3% higher than last fiscal year, having to do with incentives and pension costs. She said the Police department has been holding employees accountable for overtime and the overtime is two million less than last year.

Chairman Nowakowski briefly left the meeting at 9:42 a.m. and returned at 9:44 a.m.

Deputy Fire Chief, Ken Leake, gave a budget update for the Fire department. He said for the last three months, the expenditures are slightly up due to personnel and pension costs. He also said the industrial insurance program went up slightly.

Councilwoman Williams asked if the industrial insurance program is an annual cost.

Mr. Leake said it is an ongoing monthly cost part of the fringe benefits.

Executive Court Administrator, Wilfred Gonzalez, stated the Municipal Court's year-to-date budget is on track. He said the majority of expenditures are on employee costs and he said there is a slight trend up from last year for the revenues.

5. Municipal Court Fairness and Independence

Chief Presiding Judge, B. Don Taylor III, introduced Executive Court Administrator, Wilfred Gonzalez, sitting with him to discuss the topic of Court fairness and independence. He said the public should understand when coming to Court, they are going to be treated fairly and equally under the law. He said the Phoenix Municipal Court does not work for the Police department or the City Manager's Office, rather the Municipal Court is an independent branch of City government following a host of written regulations and guidelines from the Arizona Supreme Court. He also said Judges are evaluated on knowledge of the law, knowledge of rules of procedure, application of rules of procedure, and if the Judges are acting fairly and treating members of the public in a professional and

kind manner. He explained the Court brings in significantly less money to the general fund in the fines and fees imposed than it costs to actually run the Court. He said every one of the Judges on the bench takes an oath to uphold and obey the law, and to not make money for the City, and it is taken very seriously. He stated people in Phoenix should feel comfortable they have a Court where they are treated fairly.

Councilwoman Williams thanked Judge Taylor III for his presentation and research. She said she appreciates all he does and believes he runs an outstanding and fair operation.

Chairman Nowakowski thanked Judge Taylor III for the City's specialty courts and all his hard work setting the Phoenix Municipal Court as a good example.

Leonard Clark said his experience with the Phoenix Municipal Court has been positive and the Court treated him fairly. He said he really appreciates the Subcommittee looking at the fairness of the Court. He said if the Court can treat him fairly as an activist, it is a good indication of the court system being fair.

6. 2017 Homeless Court Update

City Judge, Christopher McBride, introduced Assistant City Attorney, Tina Solomon, Assistant City Attorney, David Fuller, and Maricopa County Regional Homeless Court Coordinator, Karen Cook. He said the regional homeless court continues in its coordination of providing restorative justice to some of the most deserving members of the community and has seen a record number of individuals in recent time.

Ms. Solomon stated the City Prosecutor's Office is excited to be part of the regional homeless court. She said the individuals served through the court have completed over a combined total of 80,528 service hours. She said the City Prosecutor's Office is very committed to victim rights and many of these candidates have been victims. She stated going through the regional homeless court gives them the opportunity to empower themselves and make positive changes.

Mr. Fuller detailed a particular example of an individual who got services through the regional homeless court. He said the court helped her complete service hours, get her license back, regain driving privileges, and get a job in an administrative position better reflecting her background. He said now she is no longer unemployed and also has a car, her own apartment, and a much better life. He thanked Council for allowing him to help in the homeless court.

Ms. Cook said in August of this year the Court had 60 cases, which is a record number of cases. She said staff is hoping to continue breaking records by increasing the number of clients seen in homeless court. She said the homeless court is going to increase their presence.

Judge McBride said he is appreciative the homeless court is able to continue to provide these valuable resources to the community. He also acknowledged Executive Court Administrator, Wilfred Gonzalez, stating he is a very humble and self-effacing individual who has never received any acclamation for his participation in the homeless court.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked if the regional homeless court works with the City Police or ROPE officers.

Judge McBride said it is not the model the regional homeless court follows, rather the homeless court works with people who have been through services with their providers.

Leonard Clark stated he is glad to hear Council and staff speaking about this issue. He said he thinks the homeless court is an excellent idea.

7. 2017 Keystone Event Update

Public Defender, Gary Kula, discussed an event where staff brought together social service agencies, government agencies, crisis intervention teams, and the legal community so families could come and take advantage of all the services in one day. He said the attorneys helped families fill out guardianship papers, the Superior Court helped families fill out legal forms, representatives of the specialty and criminal courts arrived, and many more representatives attended as well. He said approximately 125 people showed up. He stated the Keystone Event reached its goal and staff is looking forward to future events. Staff is also considering focusing on Spanish-speaking families.

Councilwoman Williams applauded Mr. Kula for the Keystone Event and said she thinks this event is so valuable for the community.

Chairman Nowakowski thanked Mr. Kula and said the 125 families impacted are probably thanking him as well.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked if it is possible to build a resource guide with all those agencies and resources who participated.

Mr. Kula said staff is developing a website and putting the resources there.

Councilwoman Williams asked for the website.

Mr. Kula stated the website is azkeystone.org and is still under construction. He said staff will be working to improve it before the next Keystone Event in March or April.

10. 2018 State Legislative Agenda

11. 2018 Federal Legislative Agenda

Government Relations Director, Frank McCune, introduced his government relations managers, John Wayne Gonzales and Clark Princell, and said they will review the State and Federal agendas for the Government Relations department this year for the State legislative term and the ongoing Federal relations work.

Mr. Gonzales stated the first item in the State legislation is public officer training funding. He said staff is recommending Council go to the legislature and find a way to make up the shortfall in the funding for officer training. He stated the second item is 911 infrastructures. He said a lot of the City's infrastructure is being funded by the State and every phone account in Arizona has a 20-cent monthly fee.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked if someone has one bill with multiple devices, would the 20 cents be charged per bill or per device.

Mr. Gonzales said the 20 cents would be charged for each phone on the list. So if a family has five phones, instead of 20 cents a month it would be close to a dollar. He stated the monthly charge goes into a fund that pays for important technology for the City's Police

and Fire equipment. He said it used to be 37 cents a month and now it is at 20 cents. He continued to present on other items the City continues to fight for in the State's budget, such as Internet crimes against children funding and funding for the Arizona hospital security breaches.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked what the State budget will look like with potential tax cuts in the future.

Mr. Gonzales stated it could be anywhere from 100 million to 200 million but the State has to have a balanced budget.

Mr. Princell presented on the two guiding principles for the Federal agenda, promoting fiscal sustainability and office of justice program grants. He said the City will be pushing for various public safety grants, including but not limited to body cameras, 4G antennas, sexual assault kits, and urban search and rescue.

Chairman Nowakowski asked how the City could team up with the Congressional delegation or Senators to ensure in the future those funds are growing.

Mr. Princell said the City will be working more as a region to ensure the region is getting as many tax dollars as possible.

Vice Mayor Pastor asked if the urban area security initiative is the one where the City of Phoenix dropped in ranking. She also asked to confirm the grant does not include the border in this ranking.

Mr. Princell confirmed the City did drop in ranking. He said the City was able to move back up slightly in the ranking but staff is continuing to pursue to be as highly ranked as possible. He confirmed the ranking does not include the border. He said staff is pursuing and continuing to have those conversations on the fact it should be included. He said the higher the ranking the more likely your grants are going to be a high dollar amount.

Chairman Nowakowski said he thinks the City needs to include spring training and college football games for more of a regional approach.

Mr. Princell continued to present on federal agenda items, including specialty courts, the regional wireless cooperative, and domestic violence programs and funding.

Councilwoman Williams asked if there are grants available to help staff specialty courts to increase the number of participants.

Mr. Princell said staff is continuing to pursue those funds.

Chairman Nowakowski asked if there is any type of federal fund that could include neighboring cities to participate in events like the Keystone Event.

Mr. Princell said staff will be sure to pursue that. He brought up how staff also has the proposed language to be included in the City Council Report on the topic of immigration reform and DACA recipients.

Councilwoman Williams asked if staff could expand on what DACA means. She asked if there is an age limit and what is the maximum age to still qualify for the program.

Mr. Princell said DACA is a deferred action program for children who do not have legal status but would be enrolled in school, a graduate of high school, or enrolled in the military. He said there is an age limit and he believes it is 15 years and younger when they came to the United States, or a graduate from high school, or enlisted in the military. He said he will go back to verify those details.

Mr. McCune said DACA recipients have to be born by 1981 and there is no maximum age.

Vice Mayor Pastor said DACA allows young people brought illegally to the United States as children who meet several key criteria to be considered for temporary relief from deportation. Individuals granted deferred action will also be eligible for employment authorization. Vice Mayor Pastor asked why there are approximately 300 body-worn cameras when Council voted on the funding for body-worn cameras for every police officer.

Milton Dohoney, Assistant City Manager, said the agreement was to provide body-worn cameras for all members of the patrol division and certain specialty units. He said funding has been allocated in the interim, however, the price of body cameras and storage has continued to increase. He said staff is in the process of another Request for Proposal and headed towards providing body-worn cameras for the full patrol division of the Police department.

Chairman Nowakowski asked if there was a policy needed before creating Requests for Proposals.

Mr. Dohoney said there was a discussion at a previous Policy meeting about the usage and development of a policy, and currently staff is working on the Request for Proposal to get processed.

Chairman Nowakowski requested an update at the next Subcommittee meeting.

Councilwoman Williams asked if there is any funding to help the Police department with storage.

Mr. Princell said the grant staff is pursuing includes dollars for the cameras and their storage.

Leonard Clark said he is in favor of Chairman Nowakowski's request to bring this topic back to Council. He said he would like some clarification with an issue regarding the Community and Police Trust Initiative.

Chairman Nowakowski requested this to be a future agenda item.

Councilwoman Williams made a motion to forward the recommendation to the full City Council plus any additions the Subcommittee made. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 3:0.

Call to the Public

Leonard Clark discussed his concerns following the tragedy in Texas, including mental illness in Phoenix, gun regulations, and working with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Future Agenda Items

Milton Dohoney, Assistant City Manager, provided Council with a list of potential future agenda items. He said staff will also include the body-worn cameras and the Community and Police Trust Initiative on the next agenda in December as well as the Block Watch item.

Councilwoman Williams requested the topic of the use of drones in the Police and Fire departments be included as a future agenda item.

Adjournment

Chairman Nowakowski adjourned the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ryley Buchanan
Management Intern

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200 W. Washington St.
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Subcommittee Members Present

Councilman Michael Nowakowski, Chair
Vice Mayor Laura Pastor
Councilwoman Thelda Williams

Subcommittee Members Absent

Call to Order

Chairman Nowakowski called the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. with Vice Mayor Pastor present and Councilwoman Williams present telephonically.

Call to the Public

None.

Assistant City Manager, Milton Dohoney, told Council staff would like to withdraw item 7.

1. For Approval or Correction, the Minutes of the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meeting on October 11, 2017~~November 8, 2017~~

Vice Mayor Pastor made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2017 Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee meeting. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion. There was no vote to approve the minutes which passed unanimously, 3:0.

Items 2-4 were for consent action. No presentations were planned but staff was available to answer questions.

2. Authorization to Accept a Contribution from Sanderson Ford for the Virtual Block Watch Program

Vice Mayor Pastor made a motion to approve consent items 2-4. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3:0.

3. Authorization to Enter into Agreements with the United States Marshals Service to Accept Reimbursement for Police Services

Vice Mayor Pastor made a motion to approve consent items 2-4. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3:0.

4. Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with Arizona State University in Support of Research for the National Crime Gun Intelligence Center Initiative Grant

Vice Mayor Pastor made a motion to approve consent items 2-4. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3:0.

5. Authority to Arrest Update – Criminal Trespass

Vice Mayor Pastor asked if there was a link on Nextdoor, released by the Police department, regarding this item. She also asked if there is an annual renewal notice sent by automatic email.

Police Commander, Thomas Vandorn, confirmed there was a statement released by Chief Williams regarding the new electronic process for the authority to arrest program with a link to the department's website, including new instructions and a new electronic form. He also confirmed the automatic email for annual renewal built into the system to receive one email per week starting 30 days prior to the expiration.

Vice Mayor Pastor made a motion to move item 8 out of order to go next. Councilwoman Williams seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3:0.

8. Reappointment of Phoenix Municipal Court Judges

Chief Presiding Judge, B. Don Taylor, asked Council to consider the reappointment of four Municipal Court Judges based on their evaluations and ratings. He said these four judges have his full support and the support of the Judicial Selection Advisory Board to recommend Council reappoint all four of them.

Councilwoman Williams made a motion for the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee to recommend to the full Council the reappointment of Judge Eric Jeffery, Judge Michael Hintze, Judge Hercules Dellas, and Judge Marianne Bayardi, each for a four-year term of the Phoenix Municipal Court, ending January 17, 2022. Vice Mayor Pastor seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3:0.

6. Holiday Shopping and Parking Lot Safety

Police Assistant Chief, Harry Markley, introduced Police Sergeant, Johnathan Howard, and Police Commander, Gabriel Lopez. He introduced the item on increased holiday patrols for safety during the holiday season.

Mr. Lopez discussed the holiday safety program implemented citywide to aid in a potential increase in certain property crimes with the additional holiday travel and shopping. To prevent these crimes, the Phoenix Police department is utilizing police officers to be in uniform patrolling malls and shopping centers, along with off-duty officers in uniform working at retail shops, shopping centers, and malls. He said the hope is to increase the presence and visibility of the officers at those locations where crimes could occur.

Mr. Howard discussed the Police department's public safety campaign to educate the public on holiday safety. He stated the campaign is called "TLC: Take it, Lock it, Conceal it". He said the Police department is asking the public, when leaving their vehicles, to take their valuables with them, lock their vehicles and conceal their packages. He said this campaign can also be used throughout the year. In addition to a short public safety video

the Police department produced, they also have info graphics that could be translated into signs or posters to be placed throughout the community.

The video was shown and provided information on the meaning of the TLC campaign, stating to take valuables inside rather than leave them behind, lock vehicles even if only for a minute, and conceal valuables out of view if they must be left behind.

7. Body-Worn Camera RFP Update

Item was withdrawn.

Call to the Public

None.

Future Agenda Items

Vice Mayor Pastor requested an update on Nextdoor, how the City is utilizing it and who is responsible for reading it or relaying the information.

Adjournment

Chairman Nowakowski adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ryley Buchanan
Management Intern



Authorization to Enter into Agreements with the United States Department of Agriculture to Accept Reimbursement for Police Services

This report requests the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee recommend City Council approval to enter into agreements with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General to accept funds not to exceed \$100,000.00 in reimbursement for police services.

THIS ITEM IS FOR CONSENT ACTION

Summary

The Police Department has partnered with the U.S. Department of Agriculture over the past several years and is currently participating in joint law enforcement investigations. This agreement is renewed annually. The primary goal of the investigations is to identify and locate individuals and businesses involved in fraud against the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). This initial agreement will reimburse up to \$29,000.00 for police overtime costs related to the investigations. The Police Department requests authorization to accept up to \$100,000.00 should additional funding become available during the funding period.

Contract Term

From date of execution through Sept. 30, 2018.

Financial Impact

The cost to the City is related fringe benefits and in-kind resources.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by the Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr. and the Police Department.



Update on Nextdoor

This report provides the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee with an update on the Police Department's utilization of Nextdoor.com.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Summary

Nextdoor is a free, private social networking service for neighborhoods. It allows users to connect with people who live in their own and nearby neighborhoods and to join conversations organized by selected categories that include: crime and safety, events, real estate, lost and found, etc. Police departments across the country also use Nextdoor to communicate with their residents and to revitalize neighborhood block watches and crime prevention efforts. The service is free and Nextdoor maintains the sites.

The Police Department has been utilizing Nextdoor since January 2014. The Department maintains a public safety account that provides one-way communication from the Police Department to all Nextdoor users in the City of Phoenix. The Department utilizes this connection to share important public safety information from the Police Chief with Nextdoor members. This method of communication allows messages to be conveyed on a more personal level compared to a press conference or media advisory and it allows the messages to be delivered unfiltered. In recent years, the Department's Police Chiefs have used this connection to introduce themselves to the community, share information about the City's annual crime statistics and communicate the Police Department's priorities. More recently, the Police Chief was able to address the City through Nextdoor last April regarding the spread of unconfirmed information and rumors surrounding the Serial Street Shooter investigation. Additionally, prior to the Presidential visit last August, the Police Chief was able to address public concern by informing the community the Police Department was fully prepared to maintain the peace at that event.

In addition to the messages from the Police Chief that are shared with the Nextdoor community, the Police Department's Community Action Officers (CAOs) also post information regularly on Nextdoor. Individual CAOs provide public safety information,

safety tips and other information to include upcoming precinct-hosted events such as Coffee with a Cop meetings to those neighborhoods within their assigned areas. The communication between Nextdoor members and the CAOs can be more interactive, however, the CAOs can only view conversations to which they were invited.

When the Police Department began using Nextdoor in 2014, there were approximately 8,500 residents in the City of Phoenix who had joined their respective Nextdoor neighborhood sites. Currently, there are more than 163,000 residents in the City who have joined Nextdoor. This has proven to be an effective tool for the Police Department to share information with the community. As the Nextdoor membership grows throughout the City, it will continue to be a valued resource for the Police Department.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr. and the Police Department.



Light Rail Safety and Security Update

This report provides the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee with an analysis of the transit safety and security needs. Safety and security along the transit system is a top priority and is provided through multiple layers, including the Phoenix Police Department precincts and the Transit Enforcement Unit (TEU), a section of the Phoenix Police Department specifically focused on public transit and Valley Metro.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Summary

Implementation of Transit 2000 added significant new transit service. To address the impact new service would have on the Phoenix Police Department, the TEU was created to provide dedicated service to public transit. The Public Transit Department funds this unit. With the passage of Transportation 2050 (T2050) and expansion of bus and light rail service over the 35-year program, the T2050 financial plan allocates additional funding where needed to provide safety and security to passengers, employees, revenue and property along the transit system.

The TEU presence enhances residents' perception of security with an emphasis on crime suppression through trained, skilled and uniformed staff. Currently, TEU is supported by a police commander, a lieutenant and six sergeants who provide oversight to the following staff:

- 16 sworn officers, responsible for transit service calls and crime suppression.
- 3 sworn officers/K9 handlers, providing platform sweeps and high visibility on transit property and on light rail, in partnership with Transportation Security Administration (TSA) National Explosives Detection Canine Team.
- 23 Police Assistants (PAs), providing service and assistance to police officers during transit related calls for service and crime suppression programs.
- 24 Municipal Security Guards (MSGs), responsible for fixed post security at the West, North and South Transit Facilities and Central Station.

The Public Transit Department contracts with a private security firm to provide security at park-and-rides and transit centers. This firm also augments MSGs to provide fixed

post security at the West, North and South Transit Facilities.

Light rail security is provided through a partnership with Valley Metro's security service provider Allied Universal. They are responsible for security and fare inspection, administration/training, fixed post personnel, platform/park-and-rides, and dispatch within the cities light rail travels through.

Safety and Security

Police Officers

With transit reaching all parts of Phoenix, it is necessary for transit service calls to be responded to by both Police precincts and the TEU, with primary response by Phoenix Police Department precincts. The TEU will respond or replace precinct officers on complex transit service calls. The relationship is seamless between precincts and the TEU, which is part of the Central City Precinct. In addition to transit service calls, TEU officers focus on crime suppression efforts. The Phoenix Police Department uses information from internal/external partnerships to determine the appropriate geographical areas to focus enforcement efforts and social services to reduce crimes as well as improve quality of life. Depending on the goal of the overall project several, different tactics can be used to accomplish the mission including a "zero tolerance" approach, high visibility enforcement, K-9 patrol, "covert" plain clothes, and/or bicycle patrol. Projects are typically run for a specified time limit then evaluated for success. After the evaluation phase the plan may be readjusted or, if determined to be successful, a maintenance period may be implemented. During the maintenance phase, enforcement will be gradually scaled back until services are returned to normal. After a determined time period another evaluation will be performed to assess the overall success of the project or a need to return to targeted enforcement.

Earlier this year, in partnership with Valley Metro, the TEU initiated and is currently managing an extra duty program for an additional 120 hours per week of police officer coverage focused on light rail in Phoenix with an emphasis on providing a high visibility deterrent. The extra duty program provides a more targeted resource by deploying police officers at varying hours and days determined by the data driven process. Officers work in conjunction with Police Assistants and private security. This targeted deployment allows TEU duty squads to be freed up to conduct more proactive enforcement operations. The additional \$262,000 for these extra officer hours was allocated from T2050 funds.

Additionally, based on recommendations by the Police Transit Enforcement Unit, the Citizens Transportation Commission, and the Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee, the City Council approved the equivalent of up to four additional

officers be added using extra duty officers in conjunction with Police Assistants as needed. This increased the safety and security budget by an additional \$600,000 in FY 17/18 which was available in the T2050 Fund and within the overall long-term financial plan.

Private Security

Private security is used for transit centers, park-and-rides and augmenting MSGs at the three bus facilities. T2050 has expanded bus operating hours and as a result, private security guard staffing will increase, resulting in an additional \$1.1 million in security costs in FY 17/18.

Transit Homeless Outreach Team

Based on recommendations by the Public Transit Department, the Citizens Transportation Commission, and the Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee, the City Council recently approved a citywide Phoenix C.A.R.E.S. (Community, Action, Response, Engagement, Services) professional homeless outreach team focused on light rail and station areas.

The number of requests from residents, business owners and neighborhood groups related to homelessness has dramatically increased over the last two years. The Maricopa Regional Point-in-Time Count confirms the number of individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness increased by over 27 percent between January 2015 and January 2016; and an additional increase of over 25 percent between 2016 and 2017. The City of Phoenix invests significant resources towards services and solutions to end homelessness. Over \$4 million is allocated annually for outreach and engagement, emergency shelter, move-in deposits, housing stabilization and support services for individuals, families, unaccompanied youth and Veterans experiencing homelessness.

To meet this need, the Human Services Department (HSD) conducted a competitive process resulting in a contract with Community Bridges, Inc. (CBI). CBI has certified outreach professionals with access to transportation, medical, behavioral health and recovery services. Public Transit worked under the existing HSD contract to fund a CBI homeless outreach team that would primarily be focused on the light rail, including station areas, in Phoenix.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Deputy City Manager Mario Paniagua and the Police and Public Transit Departments.



Unmanned Aerial Systems - DRONES

This report is to provide an update on the city's plan to address DRONE usage in the business and residential community and seek guidance and direction from the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Summary

Drones are one of the biggest trending items today, with businesses using for commercial purposes and residents for recreational use. The Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Fire, and Police are receiving more and more inquiries from businesses and communities relating to drone usage. Staff will present business use cases and Police will share the enforcement plan.

An unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV), commonly known as a Drone, is an aircraft without a human pilot aboard. UAV's are a component of an unmanned aircraft system (UAS), which also includes the staff, software, and governance associated with its use. The deployment of Drones has become a common capability of public safety, emergency management, and various public and private organizations around the world. The City Manager's Office has created a City Work Group that will work together to understand how to integrate UAS business cases into a City plan that will address concerns such as safety, privacy, accountability, and data use. The presentation will include use cases from city departments, public safety and include a legal overview from the Law Department. The Work Group will move forward to develop a comprehensive plan that includes all city departments.

Concurrence/Previous Council Action

This matter was presented at a Special Meeting of the City Council on September 9, 2015. After presentation of this matter at the Special Meeting, the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee authorized staff to continue work and review of this matter for consideration by the full Council. This matter was also presented to the City Council at the December 2, 2015 Formal Meeting, at the December 16, 2015 Formal Meeting, and a Special Meeting of the Phoenix Parks Board on January 13, 2016. This item was withdrawn from the May 18, 2016 Formal Meeting.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr., Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Fire and Police departments.



Mountain Rescues Update - 2017

This report provides an update to the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee on Phoenix Fire and Police departments' mountain rescue efforts during calendar year 2017.

THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.

Summary

The Phoenix Fire and Police departments respond daily to hundreds of calls for service ranging from house fires to burglaries, automobile crashes to mountain rescues. The Fire Department's Technical Rescue Team (TRT) and the Police Department's Air Support Unit are responsible for the coordination of mountain rescues that take place within the numerous Phoenix mountain ranges, parks and preserves, and other mountainous locations within the valley.

For example, during calendar year 2017, Phoenix Fire responded to 259 total mountain rescue events. These mountain rescues can include scenarios such as a hiker with an injured ankle requiring assistance down a trail using a "big wheel" (wheelbarrow-type rescue equipment used to extract patients from narrow or rocky trails) to a more serious scenario of an unconscious patient requiring a helicopter lift off of a mountain for transport by ambulance to a local trauma center. Of the 259 mountain rescues that Phoenix Fire conducted during 2017, 95 of those required helicopter coordination with Phoenix Police Department's Air Support Unit.

Phoenix Police currently utilizes its entire fleet of helicopters for mountain rescue efforts in various mountain rescue locations including: Camelback Mountain, Piestewa Peak, South Mountain Park, Papago Park, McDowell Mountains, Daisy Mountain/New River, Estrella Mountains, White Tanks and Thunderbird Mountain. In addition, Phoenix Fire regularly responds to mountain rescue calls for service valley-wide.

This partnership serves as a successful example of public safety coordination that better serves the Phoenix community.

Legal considerations with charging for mountain rescues:

The municipal court has exclusive jurisdiction over the imposition of fines or penalties and can only impose them if the hiker is cited with violating an ordinance. If there is no ordinance violation, the rescue costs would have to be characterized as a debt to the City, which could be enforced without the involvement of the Court. For instance, the Code could provide that anyone who, through his negligence, requires a rescue by the City, is liable for rescue costs. This would necessitate a definition of “negligence” and “rescue costs.” Several states have instituted annual hiker card programs. Proceeds from the purchase of the card go to a fund to reimburse the jurisdiction for the costs of a rescue. Hikers not in possession of a card could be charged the costs of the rescue. And cardholders could be charged for the cost if they were negligent or reckless.

Responsible Department

This item is submitted by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney, Jr. and the Fire and Police departments.