

Minutes

04-11-2019



Public Safety and Justice Council Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 11, 2019
6:00 PM
Riverton Room

Members:	Present:	Absent:	Commence:	6:00PM
			Adjourn:	7:07PM
Pam Fernald, Chair	X			
Mayor Erin Sitterley	X			
Stanley Tombs	X			

Staff Coordinator: Jon Mattsen
 Other Council Members Present: Peter Kwon, Rick Forschler, Clyde Hill, Joel Wachtel
 Other Staff Present: Mary Mirante-Bartolo, Steve Pilcher

1. Call to Order	Chair Fernald called the meeting to order at 6:00PM
2. Public Comment	There were no public comments.
3. Review of 1/10/19 Minutes	<u>X</u> Approval Committee approved the meeting minutes as written.
4. S 188 th St Motel 6 Issues/Stats	<u>X</u> Discussion – Jon Mattsen gave the stats of the Motel 6 in SeaTac. There are three Motel 6's in the City: S 165 th / Int'l Blvd, S 188 th St / Military Rd S, and S 204 th / Military Rd S. Stats have improved from before, there are not as many serious problems as in the past. Officers have taken on a proactive stance using their presence as a deterrent. They will drive through the parking lots, running plates, writing reports, etc., basically 'flying the flag'. Calls for service at these locations for the past year are as follows: S 165 / Int'l Blvd – 964 CFS, 50% of them are area/business checks. S 188 th / Military Rd S – 713 CFS, 440 were area checks, 61% deterrent S 204 th / Military Rd S – 806 CFS, 489 were area checks. The problem is the low price point of the hotel attracts lower income customers, some of which may be in mental crisis. Discussion / Questions followed. Committee to receive periodic updates on Motel 6.
5. Code Compliance Protocols	<u>X</u> Discussion – Steve Pilcher opened the discussion by asking what the committee wants in terms of the specific type of information for Code Compliance. He would like direction from the committee on the degree of assertiveness on Code Compliance response. Currently staff handles code compliance complaints on a reactive basis only. Steve handed out a list of Code Compliance options. If the committee wants a more proactive approach they

	<p>might need to hire additional staff. Jon Mattsen stated that police will continue to work with Code Compliance on certain issues. Priorities for code compliance would be health, safety, and welfare of residents. Graffiti and gang tagging is on top of the list as well.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p> <p>Committee to determine list of priorities for code compliance and what type of code violations should be proactive.</p>
6. Traffic / new Motors	<p><u>X</u> Discussion – Jon Mattsen gave a PowerPoint presentation on the two new motorcycles for the department. The two motor Officers are Kevin Shoblom and Matt Chapman. Funding for this unit came from the Port of Seattle ILA. SeaTac Motors primary duty will be dealing with all traffic related issues and will serve as back-up for hot calls. They are currently focusing on International Blvd. They will also serve as escorts for Dignitary visits and assist with small/large scale emphasis with patrol, and other events. For inclement weather, King County Fleet has a new program to rent an unmarked vehicle for Motors to use.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p>
7. Future Meeting Topics	<p>Vehicle Trespass Ordinance Mailbox Program</p>
	<p><i>Next Meeting: Thursday, May 9, 2019 6:00PM – 7:30PM</i></p> <p>Potential topics for next meeting: Through Haul Ordinance Police Future Needs</p>
Adjourn	<p>Chair Fernald adjourned the meeting at 7:07PM</p>

Code Compliance

Code Compliance Terms and Definitions

Reactive- Responding to actual notifications of violations. These are received in writing via the Request For Action form, through Cityworks, Click-&-Request, or through a management or Council directive. Complainants can be anyone.

Proactive- Reacting to violations identified in the community without receiving a complaint from any source. The difficulties in proactive enforcement are:

- 1) Knowing what types of violations to focus upon.
- 2) Knowing where to start, being aware that by not doing this equitably and evenly will result in accusations of targeted/selective enforcement.
- 3) Having the manpower to do it while still handling the reactive complaints.
- 4) Dealing with the rise in complaints from the residents. Some of these calls will go to councilmembers as they did in the past when it was proactive.
- 5) Knowing when to be proactive and to what degree. Example" how much trash is too much, or how many tall weeds to too many?

Knock & Talk- The first contact made after receiving a complaint, or, if proactive, the first in-person notification that a violation needs to be addressed. Most violators, upon being informed that they need to correct a violation, will take the necessary steps to eliminate the problem.

Voluntary Correction Agreement- A signed and agreed upon document that details the conditions and timeframe in which the violation will be addressed. This precludes receiving a Notice of Violation (NOV).

Notice of Violation- The letter to the property owner/violator that outlines the code citation for the violation(s) with a two-week timeframe in which to correct the violation. The NOV is used when attempts to amicably correct the violation via the Knock & Talk or through a Voluntary Correction Agreement have not yielded satisfactory results.

Citation/Infraction- A monetary penalty for not correcting the violation within a specified period of time. It is the penalty for breaking the law which can be contested and appealed through the court.

Abatement- Removal of the violation for restoration back to a lawful state. Abatements come as a cost to the city which then requires an effort to recover those costs. Generally, the costs are not paid which then become a lien filed against the property (another cost). Turning over unpaid citations or abatement costs to Alliance One, a collections agency, offers no assurance that the City will get paid back. Alliance One does not pursue outstanding, unpaid fines.

