

PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

January 10, 2017

ROLL CALL: Present were members Cindy Comproni, Dr. Laura Kressler, Eunice Pierre, Stan Zirkin, Mathew Inzeo and William James. Also present were City Liaison Mary Johnson, Captain Tom Moreland and Dale Worley, I.T. Director.

Mary Thomas did not attend the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

The minutes of the October 4, 2016 and November 17, 2016 meetings were approved.

OLD BUSINESS – PRESCRIPTION DRUG DROP OFF BOX – The Drug Drop off Box will display both the PSAC logo and the Police Department’s logo. Dr. Kressler forwarded the electronic file for the PSAC logo to the vendor. She also contacted the vendor but has not received a response. The Police Department should have logo for the box at the station. The cost of adding the logo is \$60 per logo.

The box will have instructions in both English and Spanish. The company does not offer a Spanish version however several employees of the City are able to translate the English instructions to Spanish.

SECURITY CAMERAS – SURVEY MONKEY – Cindy Comproni compiled a handout of all the Survey Monkey responses. The survey asked: Do you have concerns relating to the current security cameras in the City? Is there a need for additional security cameras in the City, if so please suggest locations. Would you be willing to pay for new and/or additional security cameras through a tax increase? PSAC received 87 responses to the survey.

SUGGESTED SECURITY CAMERA LOCATIONS – Cindy Comproni compiled a list of the suggested locations and placed them according to the geographical area as suggested by Captain Moreland. Mrs. Comproni noted to strike the yellow highlighted areas. Greenbelt West did not have many requests for security cameras while there were a lot of requests in Center City.

Discussion ensued concerning the possibility of partnering with local businesses to distribute the costs of the security cameras. This is done in the City of Hyattsville. Possibilities to consider are increasing the storage time for the cameras, the type of cameras and recommendation from I.T. as to which security cameras needs to be replaced.

Captain Moreland distributed a memo from Sgt. Lee, Criminal Investigations Unit concerning suggested City Camera locations. PSAC will review the memo and go over locations suggested in the memo at the February 2017 meeting and begin putting together a strategic plan for security cameras.

NEW BUSINESS - POLICE BODY CAMERAS – Stan Zirkin reported that Council has passed a resolution of negotiated purchase for a five-year Officer Safety Plan Package for body-worn cameras, storage and services and equipment from Taser International.

CRAB REPORT – Dr. Kressler reported CRAB held a community forum at Spring Hill Lake Elementary School with approximately 30/40 attendees. The topic of the forum: Bridging the gap between police and community and the segregation of the City. Dr. Kressler stated that some residents feel all areas are not dealt with in the same manner. CRAB will be holding more forums on this topic.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: There will be a meeting on February 7, 2017 in the Community Center.