

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 4:00 PM City Council Chambers 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501

- 1. Roll Call
- Approval of agenda
- 3. Approval of Tuesday, December 16, 2014 minutes
- 4. Old business:
 - A. NONE
- 5. New business:
 - A. Staff Response to Resolution 2014-94 to analyze the overall operations of the one-stop for homeless services and winter shelter located at 2801 Cerrillos Road (A. Terrie Rodriguez, Youth and Family Services Division)
 - B. Request to Approve Final City Video Surveillance Sites (Renée Martinez, ITT Department and Richard Thompson, Parks Division)
- 6. Matters from Municipal Court
- 7. Matters from Police Chief Eric Garcia
 - A. Certificates of Appreciation
- 8. Matters from Fire Chief Erik Litzenberg
- 9. Matters from the Santa Fe Police Officers Association
- 10. Matters from the Santa Fe Firefighters Association
- 11. Matters from the Regional Emergency Communications Center
- 12. Matters from Committee Members
- 13. Communications from the Floor
- 14. Adjournment

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 17, 2015 4:00 PM – 5:15 PM City Council Chambers

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MINUTES

Councilor Bill Dimas, Chair for the Public Safety Committee called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Roll call constitutes a quorum.

1. Roll Call

Councilor Bill Dimas, Chair Herbert Harris, Vice Chair Dr. Nancy Owen-Lewis David Trujillo Peter Mizrahi Joe Arellano Eric Johnson

Absent

Mike Bowen

Dr. Mike Mier

Others Present:

Chief Eric Garcia, Santa Fe Police Department
Chief Erik Litzenberg, Santa Fe Fire Chief
Joe Borenas, Executive Director, Interfaith Community Shelter
Terrie Rodriguez, Executive Director, Human Services Department
Reneé Martinez, IT Director
Richard Thompson, Parks Division
Ken Martinez, Director, RECC
Fran Lucero, Stenographer

2. Approval of agenda

No changes from staff.

Dr. Mier moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Mr. Trujillo, motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Tuesday, December 16, 2014 minutes

No changes from staff.

Mr. Harris moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Mr. Mizrahi, motion carried unanimously.

4. Old Business

None

5. New Business

A. Staff Response to Resolution 2014-94 to analyze the overall operations of the onestop for homeless services and winter shelter located at 2801 Cerrillos Road

Memo included in packet dated March 9, 2014 and a copy of the Resolution. The homeless shelter is only part-time and operates in the winter. The Interfaith Community Shelter was started to keep people from freezing to death. Since the faith groups came together; approximately 45 groups have made a dramatic change to this need. There is also a list of the services and the organizational chart for the Interfaith Community Shelter.

Ms. Rodriguez is asking for \$12,990 to keep the shelter open for the remaining part of this winter to protect these individuals. Issues that come up are affordable housing and that is a long term goal. Attached is the Stout Street Center in Denver, Colorado. The 5-year plan to end homeless has made progress; we have acquired waivers for housing and Life-Link has been an incredible partner. It is recommended to spread out housing through Santa Fe so it is not in just one location. A matrix has been presented on short term needs and they were consistent. Businesses and residents in the surrounding area would like to have inter-active communications. During the ENN meetings they discussed their issues and proposed solutions. The Short Term Needs list also has responsible party, Additional processes and Implementation date. There will also be a longer term of needs for those needs behavioral health services.

Dr. Mier asked what the \$12,990 will be used for. Ms. Rodriguez referred to the matrix. Long Term Interfaith Services take place 3-days of the week, the money would be to pay staff 7 am - 9 am and in the afternoon for the 3 days when there are not services and on the weekend 7 am - 10 am.

Mr. Arellano wanted to know when it closed for the winter. May 8th is the last day it will be open for the winter. Mr. Arellano asked where they go when there are no services available.

Ms. Rodriguez said they still get food services at this location, but as far as where people to go sleep, they go to the hills, arroyos, or public locations to camp out.

Mr. Arellano shares that concern when the homeless go towards the hills the residents are still concerned for their safety. Mr. Arellano asked if there are any other options that the city can participate in.

Ms. Rodriguez said there has been conversation possibly to offer bus passes so they could go someplace where they might acquire help. There are many discussions of what can be done, but where does the funding come from. We cannot get federal funds to support emergency shelters, they want to fund permanent housing.

Mr. Trujillo asked the Chief about the Community Protective Initiative: Fire Chief said that it is really one person working on this. As we grow and develop the program, a lot of people in the shelter will be seen.

During the winter months they have approximately 100 people stay and they max out at 123.

Mr. Arellano asked what type of resources financially are you looking for to have the shelter open year round.

Ms. Rodriguez said that the budget for the winter is approximately \$400,000 and the city gives \$100,000 from the Human Services budget. This amount is minimal as there are many donated services. The shelter opens on October 19th and we try to keep it open 2 weeks later to accommodate the cold.

The Chair asked if we know how many homeless we have in Santa Fe and where they come from.

Ms. Rodriguez said about 2 years ago it was approximately 2,000 people.

Mr. Borenas said last year they had about 1,600 and there were about 75% from Santa Fe city proper and about 25% were from Santa Fe County. Approximately 15% were veterans and there is veteran support at the Interfaith Community Shelter. Mr. Borenas said that today in particular there were a great amount of people from Albuquerque but we couldn't confirm if they were from the tent city.

The Chair asked Chief Garcia are we prepared to handle any tent cities if they pop up in Santa Fe, emergency medical and public safety care.

Chief Garcia said as far as emergency response is that staff is getting training on the mental health needs; are we ready to support public safety for tent cities, yes we are. Chief Garcia said they would work hand in hand with other agencies in Santa Fe.

Dr. Lewis asked if we are seeing an increase in homeless with children.

Mr. Borenas said we are seeing a lot of homeless veteran woman with children.

Dr. Mier asked how we gather the demographics.

Mr. Borenas said they take data base information and a picture of anyone who walks in the door, bunking in or even if just for dinner at the Interfaith Community Shelter.

The Chair strongly supports the recommendation and approval of the \$12,990 and will express his vote at City Council.

Mr. Trujillo moved to approve the recommended Resolution 2014-94 to analyze the overall operations of the one-stop for homeless services and winter shelter located at 2801 Cerrillos Road and sent to City Council with Public Safety recommendation, second by Dr. Lewis, motion carried unanimously.

B. Request To Approve Final City Video Surveillance Sites

Ms. Martinez informed the Public Safety Committee members on the status of the video surveillance for park sites in the city and where they are in closing out the work in a professional agreement for the project and the proposal to implement for

the final sites. Background information is included in the packet indicating the park sites where the information has been implemented. Request is to use the balance from the professional agreement with Travis Security at 6 additional park sites.

- 1) Sierra Del Norte (Dale Ball Park)
- 2) Cathedral Park
- 3) W. De Vargas Park
- 4) Frenchy's Park
- 5) MRC
- 6) Ortiz Park

These sites were selected based on the crime statistics and the complaints we have received with the activity at these sites. The remaining balance will allow us to complete video surveillance for these 6 park sites.

Dr. Mier asked who is going to do the monitoring.

Ms. Martinez said the video will be stored internally on site. If an incident takes place, a request would be sent to look up the incident based on its date stamp. At that point it would be an investigation to see if the video supports the incident and it would/could be used as evidence. What has happened is City Departments did not put money in for on-going monitoring and processing for these additional sites. The only alternative we had was to do a local storage.

Mr. Richard Thompson said that there is a memory capacity per camera.

Ms. Martinez: 2 terabytes per camera.

Dr. Mier asked how long would data be retained.

Ms. Martinez said that it would be approximately 2 ½ months.

Mr. Trujillo asked if the Police Department has utilized any of this surveillance equipment.

Chief Garcia said he could not formally confirm but he could insure that the Police Department would use it if it was available.

Ms. Martinez said the contractor can complete the work before the end of the fiscal year.

The Chair feels that this would be a value to the city and more so when this can be streamed. It is a good start and hopefully the City Council will approve the entire process.

Dr. Mier would like to have this process continue and have it real time streamed.

Mr. Harris moved to approve the use of remaining funds from the Video Surveillance – Travis Security Professional Services Agreement for six identified city parks, second by Dr. Mier, motion carried unanimously.

6. Matters from Municipal Court

Report in Packet.

7. Matters from Police Chief Eric Garcia

A. Certificates of Appreciation-Albertson's Stores (Not Present)
Officer Louis Montoya will deliver the certificates of appreciation to the
Albertson's who have donated turkeys to the less fortunate during
Thanksgiving. The Chair sends his appreciation to Albertson's for everything
they have done to help feed our community.

Certificate of Appreciation presented to Sgt. Matthew Martinez for his unselfish help to the homeless. There have many occasions where Sgt. Martinez, on his own time has contributed time and service to assist the homeless. This unselfish service is very much appreciated, thank you to Sgt. Martinez.

Sgt. Judah Montano for Community Relations and Officer Lisa Champlin were recognized for the wonderful act of kindness they performed to fulfill the dream to be "Cop for the Day" for the 13-year old suffering from Cancer. The events of the day were described which went way over and beyond a normal tour of the Police Department. They created a full day of events and participation from their co-officers to make this day special for this young man. It was a great day not only for this young man but for the Police Officers to take part in such a wonderful experience.

8. Matters from Fire Chief Erik Litzenberg

Public congratulations to the Police Department team for their recent victory against the Fire Department.

Chief Litzenberg said they are in the process of hiring for the 30th Fire Academy and the plan is to hire as many as 20. In addition they are hiring for seasonal positions and Chief Litzenberg is happy with the amount of applications they have received.

9. Matters from the Santa Fe Police Officers Association

Sgt. Matthew Martinez – I apologize for not attending past meetings as they take place on the same day of the union meetings. Sgt. Martinez said that morale continues to be up and crime is down. Things are going really great.

10. Matters from the Santa Fe Firefighters Association

None

11. Matters from the Regional Emergency Communications Center Ken Martinez: Stats on calls taken for February, 2015:
37,834 calls in total, 911 – 5,589 – 18,721 were dispatched.
Police, Fire and Animal Shelter were approximately 10,000 calls.

The Drug Tip Hotline is also functional and calls are processed accordingly. The Chair asked if there are specifics on drug related calls. Mr. Martinez said that the calls come in as a drug tip call and they are routed appropriately. Mr. Martinez said as they continue to get more calls he will be able to provide more data on types. Mr. Martinez said that the operators are getting more familiar on what to ask as well as the callers providing a little more information. The Hot Line is manned by every operator in the center but it comes in with a different ring. There is a minimum staffing of 7 people on each shift.

REC board met to approve the budget for the next fiscal year. Mr. Martinez said they are going to implement a new service called Smart 911 – it will be a website where people

can call in and provide information. It is a hosted system and we are amongst the first in New Mexico to have this hosted service. They will create their own profile and information that we can retain and see on the screen when they call in. Both Chiefs and Mr. Eric Johnson are part of the REC Board and they are in support of Smart 911and would like to get this pushed to the community.

Mr. Mizrahi said he feels it is time to accept the invitation from Mr. Martinez to hold a meeting at the REC Center. The Chair would like to do that possibly in May 2015. Thank you.

12. Matters from Committee Members

Mr. Trujillo asked if the Fire Chief could explain more on the Community Protection Initiative.

Chief Litzenberg - Collaborating to Change 911 Call Frequency (Noted from city website)

The City of Santa Fe Fire Department (SFFD) wants to help citizens before they need an ambulance. A progressive Community Protection Initiative has emerged from collaboration between fire department administration, the firefighter's union, and our community's healthcare providers under the direction of Mayor Gonzales. Firefighters operate all 911 ambulances in the city and have found that many 911calls are either preventable or may benefit from a solution other than an ambulance trip to the emergency department. The department is taking a phased approach in which the city's firefighters, who are all also emergency medical technicians or paramedics, will be engaged in proactive care.

A formal report will be presented to the City Council on April 8th. Individuals who called 911 more than 3 times last year, contacted them as a pilot and it includes, behavioral health needs, substance abuse, etc., the firefighters will meet with them at their homes and do a medication reconciliation to make sure they are taking the right drugs with the right doses. There is also health care assistance navigation, how to treat their situation. We work with the high end users to teach them how to cope. As we move forward we can't put this uniquely on our first responders, we are training people to work. Mr. Trujillo provided Chief Litzenberg with a handout and the Chief said that the handout is from Santa Fe Forward and all information is not accurate.

Mr. Mizrahi said that there have been people in his neighborhood asking that a petition be signed for the Community Protection Initiative.

Dr. Mier would like to know if there are funds to paint the curbing at Martinez School on Galisteo St. The Chair said this request will be referred to Ike Pino in the Public Works Department.

Dr. Mier asked if they could have more police presence around the Rose Park. Chief Garcia said yes he will increase patrol in that area.

13. Communications from the Floor

None

14. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Public Safety Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

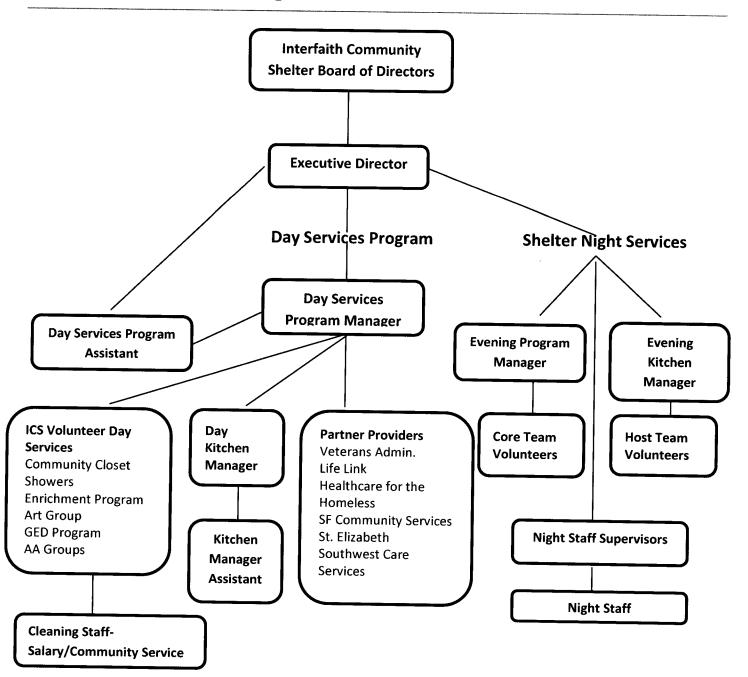
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Councilor Bill Dimas, Chair

Fran Lucero, Stenographer

Interfaith Community Shelter

Organizational Chart



L. ICS Day Program Provider Partners Schedule

Healthcare for the Homeless	Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday	8:30am-11:30am
ICS Day Services Lunch	Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday	9:00am-12:30pm
Community Closet (Free Cloth Showers	ing, Toiletries)	
Enrichment Center - Food Star Tax Return, Employment Assis		
Life Link Behavioral Health/ Substance Abuse Counseling & Housing	Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday	9:00am-12:00pm
Santa Fe Community Services Syringe Exchange/Acu-Detox/ Case Management	Monday-Friday	9:00am-4:00pm
Veterans Administration	Monday-Friday, by appointment	9:00am-4:00pm
St. Elizabeth State IDs, Limited Funds, Long-Term Housing Referrals	Friday	10:00am-12:00pm
Homeless Court	Monthly, as scheduled	1:00pm-4:00pm
Legal Clinic	1 st & 2 nd Friday	10:00am-12:00pm
GED Class	Friday	12:00pm-4:00pm
Southwest Care Center	2 nd & 4 th Tuesday	9:00am-12:00pm
AA Group	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	7:00pm-8:00pm
Open Art Studio	Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday	9:30am-12:30pm
Haircuts	Tuesday	10:00am-12:00pm
Weekend Lunches	Saturday & Sunday	11:30am-1:00pm