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## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 16, 2016

4:00 PM

City Council Chambers

200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of agenda
3. Approval of Tuesday, January 26, 2016 minutes
4. New business: Action Item

A. A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A NEW YEAR'S EVENT ON THE PLAZA AS AN ANNUAL TRADITION AS PART OF THE PEOPLE TO THE PLAZA INITIATIVE.  
(Mayor Gonzales and Councilor Ives) (Richard Thompson)

5. Matters from Municipal Court Judge Ann Yalman
6. Matters from Police Chief Patrick Gallagher
7. Matters from Fire Chief Erik Litzenberg
8. Matters from the Regional Emergency Communications Center Ken Martinez
9. Communications from the Floor
10. Matters from Committee Members
11. Adjournment

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**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, February 16, 2016, 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**Santa Fe, NM**

**MINUTES**

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Councilor Dimas, Chair for the Public Safety Committee. Roll call reflects a quorum.

**1. Roll Call**

**Present**

Councilor Bill Dimas, Chair  
Peter Mizrahi  
Herbert Harris  
Joe Arellano  
Dr. Mike Mier  
Eric Johnson

**Absent/Excused**

Dr. Nancy Owen Lewis  
Mike Bowen

**Others Present:**

Patrick Gallagher, Santa Fe Police Chief  
M. Salbidrez, Assistant Police Chief  
Greg Gurule, Public Information Officer, SFPD  
Jesse Guillen, Legislative Liaison  
Erik Litzenberg, Santa Fe Fire Chief  
Nancy Jimenez, Police Fiscal Administrator  
Fran Lucero, Stenographer

**2. Approval of Agenda**

No Changes.

*Mr. Harris moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Mr. Mizrahi, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.*

**3. Approval of Minutes January 26, 2016**

Corrections:

A quorum did exist, minutes reflect lack of quorum.

Mr. Mizrahi – Ms. Mizrahi

Remove ~~Interim~~ Chief of Police, Chief of Police Patrick Gallagher

*Mr. Mizrahi moved to approve the minutes of January 26, 2016 as amended, second by Mr. Harris, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.*

**4. New Business: Action Item**

- A. Resolution establishing a New Year's Event on the Plaza as an annual tradition as part of the People to the Plaza initiative.

Mr. Guillen provided an update on the success of the first New Year's Event and expressed the Mayor and Council's wishes to have this event continue for future years. Chief Gallagher would like to increase the police coverage and anticipates doubling the staff for public safety not only in the plaza but around the vicinity. This will require overtime hours for police staffing. Chief Litzenberg also provided staffed resources on the plaza and stated that in the future in addition to fire staffing an ambulance and additional staff would be needed.

Mr. Harris asked if the FIR includes the increase in staffing and salaries for police and fire. Mr. Guillen said that it does not look like the total personnel cost is reflected.

Dr. Mier said that before this moves on he would like to see the FIR corrected and reflect the amount that will be needed for staffing. The Chair said that \$50,000 was the professional services budget allocated and in the FIR it says for parks. Mr. Guillen did not have a response for this line item allocation. Dr. Mier would like to see law enforcement and fire salaries reflected for the cost incurred and for the future projection.

It was asked when action will be taken on this resolution. Mr. Guillen said that it probably will not go to the City Council until approximately March, 2016 as it continues to go through committees.

*Dr. Mier moved to approve resolution establishing a New Year's Event on the Plaza as an annual tradition as part of the people to the plaza initiative with the condition that an updated FIR reflecting the actual cost for added fire and police staffing be provided, second by Chief Johnson, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.*

**5. Matters from Municipal Court Judge Ann Yalman**

Report included in packet.

**6. Matters from Police Chief Patrick Gallagher**

Crime update report was presented verbally to the Public Safety Committee. The only crime that shows a significant increase is auto theft. Detective unit is looking in to this and evaluating what could be the causes. Chief Gallagher said that there are processes that are being discussed in order to get this matter under control. We have touched base with the FBI but they don't see a need to get involved at this time.

Staffing: We are swearing in one officer today, we still have 20 vacancies as of today. We have had a high rate of failure in the written test and with the new changes implemented we had more individuals pass the test this go round. It is important to say that we have not compromised any of the requirements in the testing we have made the verbiage easier to understand. We have five more testing dates coming up between February and April, 2016.

Mr. Greg Gurule was introduced as the new Public Information Officer for the Santa Fe City Police. At each future meeting we would like to highlight positive work that has been done by our officers.

Chief Gallagher said that as a standard item under his report every month, he would like to recognize those officers that do exemplary service for the month. Assistant Chief Salbidrez proceeded to give this report.

Assistant Chief Salbidrez provided a verbal report naming the officers that have gone over and above the call of duty.

Chief provided stats related to in-house narcotic unit. 109 cases have been generated, 78 have resulted in arrests, 280 drug tips thru hotline, 9 generated a case and 2 have been closed out. Staff meetings are held every Monday and we ask the senior staff to bring forth any positive feedback on the officers. Officer Casias, Officer Garcia, Officer McKennon, Officer Chandlin – were recognized for calls of duty such as assisting a woman who has been assaulted for money and going over and beyond to apprehend the offender, drug cases and persistence in investigating and identifying the individual leading to an arrest, car theft investigation leading to an arrest, felony aggravated assault resulting in an arrest. Details were provided to the Public Safety Committee members for each act in recognizing the outstanding public safety service and added effort these officers have made.

The Chair commended the work of the Santa Fe Police Department and looks forward to continued success results in identifying and incarcerating the drug sellers. The LEAD program is doing an excellent job and hopes that the community continues to support this program. Councilor Dimas is very proud of the Santa Fe Police Department, every officer should be commended, continue to do the good work and hopefully the City of Santa Fe will continue to financially support public safety. Councilor Dimas hopes and encourages the Public Safety Committee members to continue supporting both Fire and Police and do as much as can be done to reflect on their successes. Thank you to the PSC members for the fine job and unselfish contribution of time and effort made serving as PSC members as this was Councilor Dimas last meeting as Chair. Councilor Dimas offered his support to this committee at any time there is a need and assured everyone that he will also stay involved through his community involvement. Thank you to the Fire and Police Departments for a great job.

**7. Matters from Fire Chief Erik Litzenberg**

Chief Litzenberg stated that with all the snow we have had the SFFD has assisted with many car accidents and many trips have been made up to the Santa Fe Ski Basin. The fire projections are being reviewed and the SFFD is preparing for the dry/fire season in the spring.

Fund Raiser – Children with Cancer function at Santa Ana – March 13<sup>th</sup> – you will see a lot of “bald fire fighters” in support of these children suffering from cancer and for this event.

Chief Litzenberg expressed his thank you to Councilor Dimas for support throughout the years, you will be missed and congratulations on your future endeavors.

Councilor Dimas said thank you for the outstanding job that the Santa Fe Fire Department does and in particular Chief Litzenberg.

**8. Matters from the Regional Emergency Communications Center Ken Martinez**

Not in attendance.

**9. Communications from the Floor**

Mr. John Dressman, Santa Fe Downtown Association representative spoke to the problems they are having in the plaza with the buskers. He feels it is necessary for the Police Department to familiarize themselves with the ordinance and to be able to approach the buskers when there are problems. The buskers have to secure a license and they have to sign an acceptance of the rules. This would affect New Year's Eve as there is other music on the plaza and we should assure that law enforcement is aware of this.

#### 10. Matters from Committee Members

Dr. Mier – This is a request for the Parks Department – There is a large-tall hedge/bush by Trader Joe's that should be trimmed, it is obstructing the view of traffic. Staff will follow up on this request.

Councilor Dimas asked that we look in to graffiti on Zia Road. Staff to look in to this.

Chief Johnson expressed his thank you to Councilor Dimas for all of his support and the work he has done in public safety.

Mr. Mizrahi also expressed his thanks to Councilor Dimas as their friendship goes back many years, thank you for all of his work and support.

Ms. Jimenez noted that with elections taking place in March, deadline for agenda items and the appointment of new members and a Chair after the election; March meeting is cancelled.

Next meeting scheduled for April 19, 2016.

#### 11. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Public Safety Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

*Signature Page for the Public Safety Committee:*

  
Councilor ~~Bill Dimas~~, Chair  
Chris Rivera

  
Fran Lucero, Stenographer