



Agenda

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 16, 2019, 4:00 PM
City Council Chambers
200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of the February 19, 2019 and March 19, 2019 Minutes
4. New Business/Action Items:
 - A. AN ORDINANCE ADDING A DEFINITION OF "ELECTRIC SCOOTER" TO THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC ORDINANCE; AND PROHIBITING THE USE OF RENTED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY UNLESS A PILOT PROGRAM IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY. (Councilors Romero-Wirth and Lindell) (Regina Wheeler, Public Works Department Director, rwheeler@santafenm.gov, 955-6622)
 - B. A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EVALUATE THE SUITABILITY OF SHARED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS IN THE CITY OF SANTA FE; AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO RECOMMEND WHETHER OR NOT THE CITY SHOULD DEVELOP A PILOT PROGRAM UNIQUE TO SANTA FE. (Councilors Romero-Wirth and Lindell) (Regina Wheeler, Public Works Department Director, rwheeler@santafenm.gov, 955-6622)
 - C. PRESENTATION: A NEW EMS DIVISION IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY). (Assistant Fire Chief/EMS Greg Cliburn, gcliburn@santafenm.gov, 955-3123)
5. Matters from Police Chief Andrew Padilla
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7. Matters from the Regional Emergency Communications Center Ken Martinez
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9. Communications from the Floor
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 16, 2019**

A meeting of the City of Santa Fe Public Safety Committee was called to order by Chair Christopher M. Rivera, on Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at 4:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

1. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Christopher M. Rivera, Chair
Frank (Joe) Arellano
Herbert L. Harris, Jr.
Gerald Joyce
Dr. Nancy Owen-Lewis
Dr. Mike Mier
Peter D. Mizrahi
Stephen Tapke

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Michael Bowen

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chief Andrew Padilla, Santa Fe Police Department
Chief Paul Babcock, Santa Fe Fire Department
Jessica Pfeiffer, Office Manager, Santa Fe Police Department
Steve Johnson, EMT, Santa Fe Fire Department
Carl Boaz for Melessia Helberg, Stenographer

There was a quorum of the Committee in attendance for the conducting of official business.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Dr. Owen-Lewis moved, seconded by Member Joyce, that the Agenda be approved as published.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2019 AND MARCH 19, 2019.

Member Tapke requested several changes to the March minutes:

- top of page 4 - before the word "strategies," insert "other enforcement"
- page 5, item D - Babcock - first paragraph should be "twenty."
- Four lines down after "core" it should say "prime radio site" rather than "antenna."
- Several paragraphs down after "Chief Babcock agreed" it should be "15 channels," not "50."
- Further down, same paragraph, should say, "This proposal is for one site plus core and console."
- In the second to last sentence, the \$100,000 grant was not for additional sites but for radio purchase. And put it toward radio purchase.
- Two more paragraphs down, it should say, "Radio communications are a critical part of our public service."
- In the same paragraph, it should say, "At the current prime site."
- Two paragraphs below that, it should say, "... a more stable means if the new system would tie into state resources."
- Two more paragraphs down, "He asked if the police department considered tie into the state as critical."
- In the second to last paragraph on page 6, the sentence doesn't make sense. He asked if that was at the Governor's Conference.

Chief Babcock said it was for the National Governors' Conference.

Member Tapke said the sentence should reflect that it was a temporary site for the National Governors' Conference.

MOTION: Member Joyce moved, seconded by Member Tapke, to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 19, 2019, as presented and the minutes of March 19, 2019, as amended.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

4. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS:

AN ORDINANCE ADDING A DEFINITION OF "ELECTRIC SCOOTER" TO THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC ORDINANCE; AND PROHIBITING THE USE OF RENTED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY UNLESS A PILOT PROGRAM IS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY. (COUNCILORS ROMERO-WIRTH AND LINDELL) (rawheeler@santafenm.gov, 955-6622)

Mr. Guillen said he was not fully versed on this, but the bill is to ban electric scooters on our streets until regulations are in place, in order to understand how they work unless a pilot project is approved by the Governing Body.

Member Joyce pointed out that we don't ban bicycles. He asked why the City would ban electric scooters.

Mr. Guillen said it is just for companies that come in and rent out electric scooters. That is what is being banned for the time being. It would not ban those that are privately owned.

Member Joyce asked if they are licensed.

Mr. Guillen explained that is part of what is needed to allow them.

Member Harris asked if that is what is meant by "pilot program."

Mr. Guillen said a pilot program is for a period of one or two years to see how it would work and the possibility of limiting the area of the city in which they could travel and fees the companies would have to pay for that permission.

Dr. Mier understood the purpose is to put the brakes on those companies until regulations are in place.

Mr. Guillen agreed. That is what he understood. That is a safeguard to make sure they don't do it until then.

Member Joyce asked if other cities were investigated who do allow this.

Mr. Guillen said that is the second part of the resolution - to come up with policies and procedures for these companies and have taken into account those regulations in other cities.

Chair Rivera related going to a Rockies game in Denver and those scooters were all over the sidewalks and in the streets so we need to regulate them first.

Dr. Mier noted they are often brought in by outside companies and perhaps this is to be expanded that other companies wanting to come in would be properly licensed as an enterprise in the City.

Chair Rivera asked Chief Padilla about that.

Chief Padilla said Santa Fe has two of them and they will be rolling those out in a couple of weeks. If Governing Body approves regulating it, the Police Department will follow that direction.

Dr. Mier said this would be the time for the Governing Body to say scooters and other devices be regulated.

Mr. Guillen said it was the Council's decision to limit it to electric scooters at this time.

Member Mizrahi added that the City of Albuquerque is looking at either banning them or regulating them.

Chair Rivera said this will give us time to create the regulation.

Dr. Owen Lewis asked if the City has been approached by other companies or just what others have done.

Mr. Guillen said the City has been approached.

MOTION: Dr. Mier moved, seconded by Member Mizrahi, to approve the ordinance.

VOTE: The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

B. A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EVALUATE THE SUITABILITY OF SHARED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS IN THE CITY OF SANTA FE; AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO RECOMMEND WHETHER OR NOT THE CITY SHOULD DEVELOP A PILOT PROGRAM UNIQUE TO SANTA FE. (COUNCILORS ROMERO-WIRTH AND LINDELL) (rawheeler@santafenm.gov, 955-6622)

Mr. Guillen had nothing more to add.

Chair Rivera thought maybe this is the place to add Dr. Mier's comment on other devices.

Dr. Mier agreed.

Chair Rivera thought it might be good time to do that.

MOTION: Dr. Mier moved, seconded by Member Mizrahi, to approve this resolution.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

C. PRESENTATION: A NEW EMS DIVISION IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY). (ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF/EMS GREG CLIBURN) (gbcliburn@santafenm.gov, 955-3123)

Assistant Chief Cliburn presented a brief overview of the reorganization within the Fire Dept. Chief Cliburn made this a priority from day one for operations of EMS and dealing with first response, ambulance, etc. The chart in the packet has the information. Chair Rivera was at one time the Director. This is to support EMS operations for the Fire Department. We now have seven stations and receive 16,000 calls per year.

There are more regulations from the state and federal government and more complex health care with two hospitals, three ER facilities and lots of potential growth for what we can do. There is so much development and research we can accomplish in this division. The second chart shows the reorganization and the first steps we have taken in this initiative. Mobile health office is in this structure and adding three positions on the EMS side. Replacing him as Medical Director and two "boots on the ground." Data

Collection will enable us to know more about what we do in EMS. We also look at ways to integrate the risk reduction and response effort. So there is a lot of potential there and we are excited about where it is going.

Member Harris asked if it is in the budget for this year's budget or next year's.

Chief Cliburn said it is for the upcoming budget. The Law Enforcement Diversion has two navigators to do that case management work. Those were previously contracted out and now within the fire department.

Chief Babcock said the City is now going through budget proposals. So we will add those three to increase reimbursement for Medicare and Medicaid patients and participate in state and federal programs. So we hope to get those grants to reimburse for the services provided.

Member Tapke clarified that the Assistant Chief and Captain will be filled through promotions and then hire three new staff members.

Chief Babcock agreed. We have 193 FTEs now and navigators through another source. So it will be 196 total.

Member Tapke asked, in the new org chart, if the rest is in the fire department.

Chief Babcock said the rest remains the same.

Member Joyce asked if there is a way to compare the costs with reimbursement.

Chief Babcock said the Fire Department gave up some positions and agreed our FTE count was 193. By reorganizing, we saved about \$500,000.

Member Joyce added that was from grants. He asked if we are making up for that.

Chief Babcock clarified that came from community services and what they provide is different. There will be no reimbursement for that part. Medicare only pays \$300 on the \$1,000 service cost. And is going up to \$750.

Another program is ET-3 - evaluation triage, treatment and transportation to hospital. If we are approved, we could bill for services we cannot bill for now including treatment.

Member Joyce understood there is a chance we could get more money.

Chief Babcock agreed. It would be about \$100-200 more for each.

Member Tapke asked if those reimbursements come back to the Fire Department.

Chief Cliburn said they go into the General Fund.

Chair Rivera asked if he was requesting a Medical Officer and two EMS Captains, what kind of information EMR would provide that could be used in filling the positions.

Chief Cliburn said there are three databases we report into. One is a State bridge that bridges our data to the federal database called Nemesis. It has the ability to monitor the quality of our data going in and exploit data coming out. It takes some attention and goes hand-in-hand with reimbursement for quality of patient care and quality of data going in and will improve our collections and billing.

Chair Rivera asked what kind of information that would provide to the field.

Chief Cliburn said there are a number of measures that we define. For instance, to look at myocardial infarction while going to the hospital and get that information back and allowing us to determine whether we are making sick people better. It is potentially a very rich amount of information.

Chair Rivera said clearly the difference between EMS calls has changed over the years. He asked what percentage is EMS now.

Chief Cliburn said it is about 3/4 of the calls. Structured fire calls are very small. This is fairly typical for EMS across the country.

Chair Rivera commented that the survival rate from cardiac arrest is amazing. He asked if this will allow for more of the public to be able to use CPR.

Chief Cliburn said that is what we are aiming for - to improve what we are doing. This is the first step in that effort.

Chair Rivera asked if the navigator positions are already funded by Community Services.

Chief Babcock agreed - through Community Services to the Fire Department. Law Enforcement is still doing the criteria for appropriate care.

Chair Rivera asked if it is enough to fund the navigators.

Chief Babcock agreed.

Chair Rivera did not understand why a budget request was needed.

Chief Babcock said the BAR is completed. The goal is to continue it on July 1 with the LEAD program.

This past year we participated in Code Blue pilot program for fire fighters to get homeless persons into shelter in extreme weather. There was an article about what we are doing is risk reduction.

Chair Rivera asked if he could get a copy of that article. Chief Cliburn agreed.

Chair Rivera surmised the three positions are new funding.

Chief Babcock agreed - to fill the Medical officer and two EMS captains.

Member Harris asked if the Department is still doing outreach in EMS.

Chief Cliburn said they are. The NIH program is successful. We do opiate overdose treatment and follow up. It works with the LEAD program which is under the Police Department.

Member Harris assumed it is an anti-drug program and asked if they use Naloxone.

Chief Cliburn said they use quite a bit of Naloxone in the ambulance and probably three days' worth and distribute it as a life-saving drug.

Chief Padilla said officers carry it too and provide training in its use.

Chair Rivera wished the Chief good luck in the budget process. He hoped the Governing Body approves it. He congratulated Chief Cliburn on his promotion.

5. MATTERS FROM POLICE CHIEF ANDREW PADILLA.

Chief Padilla reported the crime stats that were in the packet. More stolen autos, burglaries and trying to do more patrol operations. They have 22 officer vacancies but moving in the right direction. Graduation on May 15 at Santa Fe Indian School. The 14-week officer training program will allow new officers to hit the streets in time for Fiestas.

He is asking for support for all to join the Police on May 31 for their run for Special Olympics. They will meet at the Police Station and run toward I-25 at the Waldo exit, take a break and then join the caravan. People can donate if they can't run and get a cool t-shirt for Special Olympics.

Member Mizrahi asked a question that pertained to a business in town that was inaudible as his microphone was turned off.

Chief Padilla said it is a private business on private property. We do patrols and at that location. People can handle there throughout the day. Many people compile their daily earnings - and more people pitch in on the daily rates and spend the night there. We have reached out to the management with our concerns and urged them to use a private surveillance company and train their staff on who they should rent to.

Dr. Mier asked what the response from their management has been.

Chief Padilla said they are open to the face-to-face meetings and that is yet to be seen.

Dr. Mier noted that in other municipalities, unless they change operation, the City condemns the facility and the Governing Body may want to consider that at some point.

Chief Padilla said there is a nuisance abatement ordinance on the books, and we have documented the incidents on that property. If multiple violations occur after warnings, the property can be taken.

Member Joyce mentioned an article in the Santa Fe New Mexican about new vehicles for the Police.

Chief Padilla said they are building Ford Fusion vehicles for us. Technology changes and they had to delay the Ford Explorers to September. Tauruses are no longer being built. The 30 vehicles are in that 10-week contract period.

Dr. Owen Lewis asked about the increased traffic enforcement efforts and how that has gone.

Chief Padilla said they kicked it off with ten locations where they saw increases in crashes. Our officers are using a combination of saturation patrols and roadblocks under grant funding for officers coming off over time along St. Francis and down to Zia. It is to issue citations to increase public awareness and will continue that until May 31. They are now going to Cerrillos Road down to Airport Road. They are responding to social media reports and reaching out. This is where the enforcement needs to happen. It is to slow people down and reduce texting and using cell phones while driving which is not okay. Holding a phone in your hand or crook of your neck is not allowed. They are issuing about 80-100 tickets each week with a focus on cell phones and red light running. Proof of insurance, etc. are required to reduce crashes. Once that ends, we go to 100 days of enforcement. Saturation patrols are driving around to look for drunk drivers and roadblocks.

Dr. Owen Lewis said it would be interesting to see the overall result. Enforcement with consequences is key. She asked if Chief Padilla is cooperating with courts to see that it plays out.

Chief Padilla said the work does increase and they cooperate with the courts.

Dr. Mier brought up the U-turns being made improperly.

Chief Padilla said major complaints are going to DOT and it is a great idea to deal with those U-turns.

The Committee briefly discussed how to deal with them.

Member Joyce asked about progress on raises for officers.

Chief Padilla said he would present the budget next week.

Chief Valdez gave some highlights of the work of the Police Department, including finding a stolen vehicle in which there were weapons, ammunition, drugs, observed a kidnapping and found and apprehended the kidnapper; a burglary on Agua Fria of several coins the burglar tried to trade at a pawn shop; and several shootings, one at Motel Six and another at a residence, that resulted in several wounds.

Monthly stats from DWI team revealed 28 arrests and thanked the officers who did an excellent job with the Spring Blitz.

He shared neighbor responses to the patrols being done. He encouraged everyone to go on Facebook where every Friday, the Police Department places information. The statistics were 84 citations, 14 verbal warnings, one arrest during week one. In week two on St. Francis, there were three DWI arrests there. The

number of crashes on St. Francis seems to have decreased. They hope that the Blitz and the 100 days efforts will lead to changed driving behavior so people can get to their destination in safer manner.

6. MATTERS FROM FIRE CHIEF PAUL BABCOCK

Chief Babcock announced the Fire Academy is in week 7 with 11 cadets. Graduation is June 30th. He also announced the prescribed burn in the water shed is controlled by the National Forestry. It will cover about 500 acres, if weather permits and a one-day burn to improve conditions. There have been recent retirements and they are trying to fill those vacancies. He briefly shared the details for those retiring from the Department. Promotions were announced that recently took place and the Committee applauded their promotions and Chair Rivera congratulated them on their promotions.

Member Joyce asked how the fire house is coming along.

Chief Babcock said Fire Station #2 is under schematic review. They had the ENN and only three people came to the meeting. We hope as long as procurement goes through, to break ground in November with completion in sixteen months.

Member Tapke asked about the new apparatus.

Chief Babcock said they recently took delivery of a Type One new Engine that is being prepped for the streets with a new radio. In the last three months, the Department took delivery of a Type Three Engine and are awaiting delivery for two other vehicles.

Member Tapke asked if the Type 3 is at one of the stations.

Chief Babcock said it is at Station #9, off Cerrillos and Airport Road for current project work.

Chair Rivera said we have had requests as far away as Oregon for help with fires. That was a so-called significant distance and asked if the equipment was driven or hauled to the location.

Chief Babcock said that vehicle was driven to the location.

7. MATTERS FROM THE REGIONAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER KEN MARTINEZ

There were no communications from Mr. Martínez.

8. MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT.

Chair Rivera said the report is in the packet.

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

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There were no communications from the floor.

10. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Member Joyce shared recent news of a construction violation when a superintendent walked away from a hole with six feet of water and risked the public exposure. OSHA brings criminal charges when that happens. That should be taken to the City. He suggested that at least the superintendents and foremen should be required to take OSHA training to protect the City and the public at the same time.

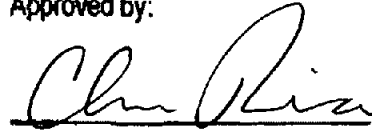
Chair Rivera said the City Manager reported an extensive investigation at the Convention Center after the recent death there and they are making needed improvements.

Member Joyce said he had experienced many conferences over the years and had witnessed fatalities where they just look for someone to put the finger on.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Committee, and the Committee having completed its agenda, moved, seconded by, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:15 p.m.

Approved by:



Christopher M. Rivera, Chair

Submitted by:



Carl Boaz for Melessia Helberg, Stenographer