



Expanding Communication between the Police and Community

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2016

Recorded by Steve Dougherty

The monthly NPAC meeting began at 7:02 p.m. with Inga Manskopf presiding.

Topics covered:

1. Special Presentation Speaker: Debbie Goetz, Community Planning Coordinator, Office of Emergency Management, SPD
 - a. The Emergency Hub program is part of SPD. Hubs are gathering places in the community where people can go to help each other after a major disaster. There are 150 responders throughout Seattle who coordinate and share information.
 - b. In a disaster, there won't be enough official responders to help everyone at the same time so Hubs (Community Emergency Hubs) are being developed in neighborhoods. The goal is to have 200 Hubs over the next 5-7 years.
 - c. For most, it is about designating a place for each Hub. For 2017, OEM is looking at public green spaces (parks, p-patches, etc.) The goal is for everyone to have a Hub within ½ mile of them. Building the Hubs is grassroots and organic by community volunteers.
 - d. A basic Hub would be a place to meet to get or give help. A more complex Hub would have a means to communicate with other Hubs and city responders.
 - e. Colleges are mandated to have their own alerting system and emergency plan.
 - f. Tips for preparing for a disaster, such as assembling a home 'go bag' are at <http://www.seattle.gov/emergency-management/preparedness>.
 - g. AlertSeattle is the official emergency notification system used by the City of Seattle to communicate with city residents during emergencies. Sign up to get free alerts from the City via text message, email, voice message or social media at <http://alert.seattle.gov/>. It is the same system as King County's Smart911 program.
 - h. A handout is attached. For information contact Debbie Goetz at 206-684-0517 or debbie.goetz@seattle.gov.
2. Precinct Update: Lt. Greg Sackman
 - a. Handed out a sheet on 28 day and year to date crime statistics. Attached.
 - b. Three more officers are joining the North Precinct mid-September. Overall goal is to increase officers, such as to increase footbeat on University Way; to get the bike patrol to full strength; add horse patrols in Ballard, Greenlake, University

District.

- c. The mobile precinct vehicle is out and about five days a week. If you want the mobile precinct, contact Lt. Sackman (see below).
 - d. If you have a specific issue, feel free to contact Lt. Sackman at greg.sackman@seattle.gov.
3. Crime Prevention Report: Mary Amberg
 - a. October 22 is National Take-Back day, to take unused/expired pills and drugs to the North Precinct between 10 am - 2 pm.
 4. City Attorney's Office: Brendan Brophy
 - a. Trying to keep repeat offenders in custody.
 - b. Still working the hotels on Aurora to educate them about illegal activities, etc.
 - c. Klose-In Motel on Aurora is boarded up now.
 5. King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office: William Doyle
 - a. Repeat Burglary Initiative (RBI) - Trying to dedicate prosecutors to repeat offenders, but budget is an issue.
 - b. Three people were charged in the Greenwood marijuana shop robbery.
 - c. Working with SPD on body cam issues.
 - d. Dealing with one case of a Pokemon GO robbery.
 6. Department of Corrections: Jeff Sargent
 - a. Nabbed a Lake City guy who went missing for 2 years after release from prison. Collaborated with Community Police Team and found him at a problem house after he robbed and assaulted someone at the Aurora Albertsons.
 7. Community Police Team: Dianne Newsom
 - a. Would like the 2017 precinct picnic to be at a community event. If you have an event that could host it, contact Dianne at dianne.newsom@seattle.gov.
 8. WA Liquor & Cannabis Board:
 - a. Medical marijuana is now rolled into the recreational pot program.
 - b. Each LCB officer must check seven liquor and pot and 21 tobacco checks a month.
 9. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership: Michael Cuadra - please give Michael any roster changes.
 - i. Note the new sign-in sheets. If you are a regular, you can just initial your name on one sheet. If you are a visitor, sign in on the visitor sheet. If you consider yourself a regular and aren't on the member sheet, talk to Michael.
 - b. Focus Groups - Social Services
 - i. Currently refining what topics and issues the human services committee

wants to engage in and how it is to be done.

- ii. Lt. Kevin Grossman is the group's new SPD contact/committee member.
- iii. Awaiting the Heroin and Prescription Opiate Addiction Task Force recommendations in September; possible advocacy for a Safe Consumption Site if indicated.
- iv. Want to learn more as a group about what is needed in the community. To that end they started formulating questions, specifically around the drug-crime nexus and who they might ask to gain better understanding.

10. Added topic: North Precinct building, guest Doug Carey, Finance and Administrative Services Department

- a. Distributed a sheet addressing points Seattle Times columnist Danny Westneat made about the cost and features of the design of the new building. Attached.
- b. Training facilities are needed - since the DOJ reforms, there is five times the amount of training than before.
- c. The North Precinct serves as much as 2 2/3 times the other precincts in Seattle. Looked at that way, the building isn't as expensive as it sounds.
- d. Given the population in North Seattle and considering how many people each of the other precincts serve, it is his opinion that there should be 2+ precinct stations here.
- e. Note after the meeting: September 15 Mayor Murray announced that the City will review the plans, and will conduct a Racial Equity Toolkit review of the proposed precinct, and review key design elements that increased the project cost. News release attached. Also see District 5 City Council Member Deborah Juarez's blog post: <http://juarez.seattle.gov/our-north-seattle-police-precinct/>.

11. Business, Old and New

- a. Thanks to Andrea Perr for organizing tonight's potluck at Mary's Place.

12. Next Month's Agenda

- a. Elliott Bronstein, Public Information Officer, Seattle Office for Civil Rights, Seattle Office of Labor Standards, will speak about the Race and Social Justice Initiative

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.