



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, May 3, 2010**

The Public Safety Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, May 3, 2010 at City Hall, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Michael Lauderdale, called the Board Meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Aman Bandali  
Sam Holt  
Michael Lauderdale  
Michael Levy  
Kim Rossmo  
Moses Saldana Jr.  
Ramey Ko

**Board Members not in Attendance:**

**1. Approval of Minutes**

a. The minutes for the regular meeting on 04/05/2010 were approved on Commission Co-Chair Levy's motion, Commission Member Holt's second on a 6-0 vote with Commission Member Ko not present.

2. Chair Lauderdale recommended staff consider possible discussion items for the June meeting. The first possible discussion item is the use of cell phones and texting in school zones. The second possible discussion includes each department's current grant applications. Chair Lauderdale also stated that he would pursue requests for a larger meeting room.

**3. Citizen Communications**

a. Joan Bartz, Chair of the University Hills Neighborhood Association, addressed the safety and health issues for the disabled from "rogue homes" and the impact it has on the City's Public Safety Departments.

**3. Discussion and Possible Action Items**

a. Budget Review Presentations

a. Assistant Chief/Chief of Staff David Carter addressed the APD budget and forecasted increases in the Department's budget of approximately 13 million dollars to cover staffing, pay increases, inter-local dealings, and fuel and maintenance costs. Horizon issues included facility expansions, response to crime trends, staffing, technology, and future dialogue on grant applications.

- b. Assistant Chief/Chief of Staff James Shamard addressed the EMS budget overview and the possible increase of 2.2 million dollars to address staffing, pay increases, and fleet maintenance. Horizon issues included demand for services, improving service delivery and patient care, collaboration efforts, and addressing support service needs.
- c. Assistant Chief/Chief of Staff Harry Evans addressed the AFD budget overview and the possible increase of 7 million dollars to address personnel and other department costs. Horizon issues included workforce issues, facility concerns, growth and planning, ongoing repairs and maintenance of critical equipment.
- b. ARIC Inter-local Agreement Review and Policy Update
  - a. Chuck Young, who is the founder of Texans for Accountable Government (who has been closely coordinating with members of the ACLU) stated that the process of addressing concerns with the commission is not balanced and is flawed.
  - b. Mr. Reginelli addressed his concerns of privacy for citizens from the ARIC.
  - c. Matt Simpson, with the ACLU, stated that the Commission hasn't fully vetted concerns raised in regards to the ARIC and that more time is needed to further discuss this item.
  - d. Assistant City Attorney Kristy Orr addressed and answered questions about the ARIC Inter-local Agreement to the commission members.
  - e. A motion recommending a proposal to move forward with the Austin Regional Intelligence Center with continued oversight from the Public Safety Commission was approved on Commission Co-Chair Levy's motion, Commission Member Saldana's second on a 6-1 vote. Commission Member Ko registered his motion of opposition for the record.
- c. Public Safety Camera Update
  - a. This item was not discussed due to time constraints.

**6. Adjournment**