



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Monday, April 2, 2012**

The Public Safety Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, April 2, 2012 at City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Michael Lauderdale, called the Board Meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Sam Holt
Michael Lauderdale
Michael Levy
Kim Rossmo
Ramey Ko

Board Members not in Attendance:

Kent Anschutz
Moses Saldana, Sr.

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. The minutes for the regular meeting on 03/05/2012 were approved on Commissioner Holt's motion, Commissioner Rossmo's second on a 4-0 vote with Commissioners Saldana, Anschutz, and Levy not present.

2. Citizen Communications

- a. Lori C-Renteria, Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Committee member, thanked the commission for speaking about the "Quality of Life" ordinances. Backup material archived.
- b. Heather Fazio, Executive Director of Texans for Accountable Government, stated that she has the 43 page contract for Urban Shield and spoke about violent terrorism abroad and the Southern Poverty Law Center's New Intelligence Report. She also spoke about comments made about her by J. Mistic and how offended she was at being called an anarchist.

3. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- a. APD Annual Update – APD Chief of Staff David Carter:
 1. Discussion regarding the 2011 annual reporting statistics provided by APD Chief of Staff David Carter.

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2. Backup material archived.
 3. Suggestions for next time included having a longer historical perspective on stats
 4. Also suggested was to discuss homicide clearance rates, how Austin compares to other cities in regards to crime, and how to define a “Major City.”
- b. Austin’s Five Year Citywide Crime Study – APD Chief of Staff David Carter and Jack Darby:
1. Jack Darby presented information about his program (www.krimelabb.com) and information on his 5 year study.
 2. Backup material archived
- c. Involvement of Youth in Gangs – APD Chief of Staff David Carter, Assistant Chief Sean Mannix, and Commander Don Baker
1. APD Assistant Chief Sean Mannix spoke about the evolution of street gangs, their relationship to Mexican drug trafficking organizations and how it ties into youths joining gangs in the future.
 2. APD Commander Don Baker addressed how APD is addressing the evolution of gang activity.
- d. CARY Program Overview – Adrian Moore, CARY Executive Director
1. CARY Board Members Adrian Moore, Seton Hospital Chief Stan Knee, and Chief Prosecutor at the District Attorney’s Office Gary Cobb gave an overview of the CARY program.
 2. CARY was asked to provide statistical profile of what type of kids are being served by the program and an idea of how successful the program has been. CARY may be asked to come at a later time.
 3. Backup material archived.
- 4. Briefings and Updates**
- a. Quality of Life Ordinance – Assistant City Attorney David Douglas and Cary Grace
1. Assistant City Attorney David Douglas provided an update to the “Quality of Life” Ordinances including those that are citywide and those that are designated for specific areas.
 2. Backup material archived.
- 5. Possible Agenda Items for April Meeting**
- a. No items were discussed.
- 6. Adjournment**
- a. Motion by Commissioner Lauderdale, 2nd by Commissioner Levy. Meeting adjourned.

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