

## Chief's Citizen Advisory Council, November 9, 2016 Meeting Notes

Chief's Citizen Advisory Council  
 Minneapolis Police Department  
 350 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 130  
 Minneapolis, MN 55415



**Attendees-“ X” designates Member was in attendance at the meeting**

X	Chief Janeé Harteau		Joanne Kaufman	X	Curt Schmidt
X	Deputy Chief Medaria Arradondo		Father Dale Korogi	X	VJ Smith
	Mark Anderson		ZoeAna Martinez		Rebecca Waggoner
	Reverend Joan Austin		Jana Metge		Claudia Waring
X	Dominick Bouza		Joe Minjares-Senkyr	X	Dr. Kenya Weathers
	Harry Davis, Jr.	X	Doris Overby		Eva Wood
X	Daniel Farias		Sherman Patterson		Long Yang
	Pastor Charles Graham	X	Arnetta Phillips	X	Shane Zahn
	Bishop Richard Howell	X	Michael Rainville		
	Dr. Heather Huseby		Don Samuels		

1. Welcome - Chief Harteau
2. Recent Events - Chief Harteau
3. Rondo - National Initiative
4. Community Engagement - Sherman Patterson
5. Future meeting with Lt. Kroll in December- Harry Davis
6. Advisory community can promote better community relationships - VJ Smith
7. Discuss present and future CCAC meeting locations - Doris Overby
8. Member attendance at meeting - Doris Overby
9. Round Table

## 10. Adjourn

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### Welcome

- Chief Harteau welcomed everyone. Speaks about members who are unavailable or injured.
- Introduction of new member Daniel Farias and visitor Deputy Chief Chavela Hampton of the Arlington, Texas Police Department to the group.
- Daniel Farias introduced himself and gave a little background information.

### Recent Events

- Updates on MPD-related events between the last meeting time: J. Clark shooting anniversary, possible Ramsey County Attorney's Office P. Castille charging announcement, MPD contract status update.

### National Initiative

- Update on Procedural Justice training and efforts to change the MPD culture.
- Question about diversity hiring and if there are any Hispanic/Latino officers. Explained how the CSO process works and also speak about MPD diversity efforts.
- Discussion about using the neighborhood commissioners to help identify youth who would be good candidates for LE careers.

### Community Engagement/ Advisory community can promote better community relationships

- Update on program to recognize officers and speaking with middle-school kids to stay out of trouble to keep their options to become officers open. Wants to come at it from a Pro vs. Con angle. Also spoke about how to create unity with the community. Spoke about how becoming a Block Club leader can also make someone a target to gang members. Wants to create relationship-building opportunity within said communities. Talks of "Building social capital".
- What is the incentive to entice officers out of the squads and engaging more with the community?
- Member explains how officers getting out of their vehicles is a sign of respect and duty; it is the best way to learn about the community and the people who live there.
- Chief clarified the Beat process; explains how the officers may not have enough free time from answering 911 calls to get out and interact with community in a non-LE way. Trying to balance response times and engagement. Discusses how de-escalation is tough to do when you don't have enough resources (both \$ and personnel). Uses Domestic Violence and Co-Responder programs as examples.
- There was a question if light-duty officers can do community meetings/engagements. Positive comments about the Bike Cops for Kids program and his experience with them. Has questions about the 2017 Summer Strategy. Wants his organization and MPD on the same page as far as mission.

- Fears about gangs, guns & drugs in the downtown area.
- Member wants to know the Summer Strategy to fill-in the gaps the MPD can't. Believes that a unified strategy would save lives and help the community.
- Question about the Co-Responder program & if mental health providers will be with officers to respond to calls. Feels that this is the key to reducing crime/calls/issues/violence. Identify and apply resources right where they are needed.
- Member thinks that with the assumed reduction in resources, maybe we should focus on 1-2 strategies and do them very well, instead of trying to do all the strategies.
- Chief explains that all of the strategies have value, but help is needed and collaboration to identify what each section of the city needs. Is comfortable with beginning the strategy sessions earlier (December - Spring 2017).
- Member wonders if safe spaces for homeless/teens can be had downtown to alleviate stress downtown (Chess clubs and Creative Pianos are used as examples).
- Chief wants a calendar of events Citywide that details what is going on to better prepare and assign personnel.
- Trauma program: Quills; wants community-led leadership program to deal with trauma. Federal program to address trauma from a cognitive process. Intercept Team. Acknowledged point and program but, says that unless case management is there, it is really hard to deal with issues.
- Member speaks about the previous rules of gangsterism; lack of leadership within causes many innocents to be injured. Need to be involved in the probation process and group listening sessions.

#### **Discuss present and future CCAC meeting locations**

- Asks question about meeting locations; are we meeting here (EOTF), or out in the community?
- Chief doesn't mind if meetings are in the community; but explains that it is nice to have a small list of places to meet that are concrete. Also has a few ideas about RSVP'ing, how often to meet and what the best number of attendees are to hold said meeting. Maybe set bi-monthly meetings if attendance is an issue. Member agrees with Chief and seconds the idea of a quorum to meet, but also suggests that if a critical/crisis incident occurs that they use a conference call to discuss issues.

Member speaks about how people in his community are afraid to call/use 911 because they are identified by name or location exactly who made the call. Risk of retaliation is too great. Wants to know if there is an alternative available to report crimes and/or information to police.

- Chief advises that each officer has a cell phone and community could also call the precincts.

#### **ROUNDTABLE:**

- Christmas meal honoring officers planning is nearly done.
- Peace Bus ongoing; undergarment clothing drive is this Friday; working on Franklin/Chicago Stop-The-Violence event.

- HC Judge Latino listening session scheduled and working on organizing safety responders to get ready for next Spring/Summer. Talks of exploited women diversion/access to resources programs also being worked on.
- Livability issues in his neighborhood. Wants to get more officers to work beats.
- Good news: Just hired a new CPS. Having a Christmas party and is inviting all first responders.

Adjourn - End of Meeting