CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM 12.08
MINUTES
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AND CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 4, 2011

1. ROLL CALL 5:30 PM

Roll Call
Present:
Councilmember Canepa
Vice Chair Talamantes Eggman
Chair Holman

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION: 5:32 PM

1. Crime Update 5:32 PM

Police Chief Blair Ulring provided an informational crime update to the Committee with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (filed) and answered the following questions from the Committee members throughout the presentation.

Questions, comments and concerns posed by the Committee members are as follows:

Councilmember Eggman asked Chief Ulring to explain the difference between violent crime, property crime, and UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting).

Chair Holman - questioned homeowner gun safety.

City Manager Deis - asked Chief Ulring to provide an explanation regarding prioritization of calls.

Councilmember Canepa - asked regarding officer initiated calls.

Councilmember Eggman - questioned what affect more Police visibility has on crime.
Chair Holman - stated that crime prevention programs are a big component in the reduction of crime; partnering with the public and faith-based organizations to help prevent crime.

Councilmember Canepa - questioned how truancy is contributing to crime.

Councilmember Eggman - asked regarding the closing of the Truancy Center.

City Manager Deis - questioned who is committing most of the burglaries in the community.

Chair Holman - stated that Stockton was rated #7 nationwide for 2011.

Chair Holman - asked Chief Ulling to clarify the numbers provided on the graph relating to crime per capita.

Councilmember Eggman - questioned if a regression analysis has been conducted to establish contributing factors to increased crime, such as unemployment, drug addiction, and gang involvement.

Chair Holman - asked how long it takes to get an Officer out on the streets, once he or she has been hired.

Councilmember Eggman - commented regarding the benefit of working with the schools within the community to train Officers locally and hiring people from Stockton.

Councilmember Canepa - questioned if Stockton is attractive enough to draw lateral employment to our community.

Chair Holman - stated that Stockton needs to stay competitive to retain qualified individuals.

Councilmember Canepa - expressed concern regarding Officer moral.

Councilmember Eggman - use of cadets; contracting with a Security firm while the Police Department conducts recruitments.

Councilmember Eggman - the use of 'e-policing' in cities; Homeland Security funding.

Councilmember Eggman - asked for the definition of a task
force.

City Manager Deis - regarding agency collaboration and task force, Chief Ulring was asked to provide examples of how the Police Department responded to a spike in crime, particularly violence in various areas of the community.

Councilmember Eggman - questioned the percentage of people committing crimes versus the general population.

Councilmember Eggman - spoke to not encouraging panhandlers; cards that list resources can be provided to the panhandlers in lieu of money.

Chair Holman - noted the importance of Neighborhood Watch Programs.

Councilmember Eggman - the use of technology for the public to text or email each other when something is going on is a way to reach the neighborhood; Citizens' Patrol; the use of retired Police Officers to lead some of the Citizen projects.

Councilmember Eggman - questioned possible use of Private Security Officers.

City Manager Deis - questioned Chief Ulring regarding the public not calling in lower level calls and if the Police Department anticipates a reduction in such calls.

Councilmember Canepa - hiring active reserves that could possibly work a maximum of 960 hours until the City can backfill some of the Police positions.

Chair Holman - thanked the Chief for presenting the challenges the City is faced with and all the work that has been done to meet those challenges.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT 7:13 PM

Michael Lewis, representing Delta College Black Student Union - the presence of cadets on the campus; commented on the challenges the Stockton community faces with the negative publicity it has received.

Roy Hoggard - shared experiences in running Neighborhood Watch Program; suggested that the Police Department work with the Sheriff's Department.
Lynne Robustelli - thanked Chief Ulring for his outstanding service; as a member of the University Neighborhood Renaissance Committee their work is to get out in the Community and get people active. In Tuxedo Park they are trying to start a Neighborhood Watch Program; vacant home has led to problems of squatters in the basement.

Councilmember Eggman - thanked Chief Ulring for his presentation and noted she would like monthly meetings to continue.

4. ADJOURNED 7:28 PM

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AND CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Elbert Holman (Chair)

Councilmember Susan Talamantes Eggman (Vice Chair)

Councilmember Paul Canepa (Member)
CITY OF STOCKTON COUNCIL
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AND CRIME PREVENTION
MEETING NOTICE

October 4, 2011
5:30 p.m. City Hall, Council Chambers
425 N. El Dorado St., Stockton CA

Committee Members

Elbert Holman, Chair
Susan Talamantes Eggman (Vice-Chair)
Paul Canepa (Member)
Diana Lowery (Alternate)

1. ROLL CALL
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CRIME UPDATE

Community Improvement and Crime Prevention Committee Meeting

October 4, 2011

Stockton Police Department
Agenda Item #3
PD #348546

Crime Update

GOALS: To educate the City Council and public about...

- Crime in Stockton
- Causes of crime in Stockton
- The Police Department’s status and current response
- Future challenges, plans, and potential low cost options
### Causes of Crime

- Geographic, socioeconomic, and social factors contributing to crime in general
- Factors contributing to crime in Stockton (2006 Dr. Anthony Braga Report):
  - San Joaquin County has the highest poverty rate in the state
  - High level of drug abuse
  - High number of gangs and gang incidents
  - High amount of violent crime in “hot spots”

### Factors in Reducing Crime

#### Community Factors
- Employment
- Prevention and outreach factors

#### Law Enforcement Factors
- Effective strength of a Police Department
- Administrative and investigative emphasis of law enforcement
- Single most empirically proven preventer of crime
  - Discouraging crime via visible proactive policing
- Dr. Anthony Braga’s recommendations
Current State of the Police Department

- In the past two years, a generalist approach focusing on three core functions:
  (1) Patrol services and emergency call response
  (2) Traffic enforcement
  (3) Investigations of serious crimes
- 40% reduction in staff (over 200 employees)
- Current 1.17 officer ratio
  (Braga suggests 1.5; 2.0 is optimal)
- Police program eliminations

Budget

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### Efforts, Strategies, and Approach

- **Three Core Functions**
- **Tools of Assistance**
  - Community Safety Ordinance, Crime Free
    - Multi-Housing Program, Contracted Police Services
- **Force Multipliers through Partnerships**
  - Private/Public/Community; "E-Policing" Technology

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### Efforts, Strategies, and Approach

- Agency collaboration and task forces
- Intelligence-Led Policing
- Performance measurements via PopCOM
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