



Grove CID Safety & Security Committee Meeting Minutes
January 6th, 2021 at 10:00 AM
At 4512 Manchester, St. Louis, MO 63110
Via Zoom Video Call

Committee members present: Jessie Mueller, Chad Fox, Don Bellon, Fahime Mohammad, Antonio French

Committee members not in attendance: None

Others in attendance: Alayna Graham, Abdul Abdullah (Park Central), Neal Griffin (CID Director/potential member), Charlie Felker (Free2Grow), Chris Saracino (Campbell Security)

1. Meeting called to order at 10:03 AM.
2. **Introductions:** J. Mueller (chair) asked for introductions.
3. **Approve previous meeting minutes:** A. French motioned to approve the October 30th meeting minutes. C. Fox seconded the motion. All in favor—approved.
4. **Budget Overview:**
 - a. A. Graham presented the Safety and Security budget. She noted that the Grove CID is well below the YTD budget.
5. **Overview of Contracts:**
 - a. The contracts were sent in the packet for review. A. Graham opened the conversation up to ask questions to the providers about their contracts.
 - b. The members asked questions about patrols and car break-ins.
6. **Crisis Intervention:**
 - a. J. Mueller asked about crisis intervention practices for responses to mental health concerns and homelessness. C. Saracino would like to speak more with Captain Marks of the Second District about best practices holistically.
 - b. A. French made the point that the City will be working with Behavioral Health Response to respond to mental health issues and would like to know if the security services are aware of that. C. Saracino will learn more about it and asks that members send him information that they have.

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7. Patrol Strategy:

- a. J. Mueller would like to open the conversation to the current patrol strategy versus where the committee would like it.
- b. C. Felker talked about the system they use to track patrols to ensure they are moving throughout the district. He stated that communication, visibility, and activity are top priorities.
- c. D. Bellon asked for more communication from the contractors when incidents occur. J. Mueller asked for a weekly email recap from Free-2-Grow.
- d. C. Felker gave an overview of Guardso, the patrol tracking and scheduling system that Free-2-Grow uses.
- e. J. Mueller requested that the contractors email a weekly report to the committee on Monday. If there is a major incident, they would like an immediate notification.

8. Goals Outside of Patrols:

- a. J. Mueller requested A. Graham give an overview of the Grove Assault Prevention Initiative. This initiative will provide training to businesses, materials supporting consent, and education for the public. The initiative might request financial support from the Grove Safety and Security Committee at a later date.

9. Public Presentation:

- a. C. Felker and C. Saracino discussed the public presentation and the logistics of doing this presentation.
- b. D. Bellon mentioned that the best way to present would be in person. A. Graham noted that there were Board members who were uncomfortable having an in-person meeting during the pandemic.
- c. A. Graham offered to send out an email to the property and business owners that Campbell and/or Free-2-Grow drafts.

10. Other: None.

11. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at AM.

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