



NORTH PRECINCT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Expanding Communication between the Police and Community

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

December 1, 2010

Recorded by Bill Doell

The monthly NPAC Meeting began at 7:00 p.m., with Curtis Gehrke, presiding.

Topics covered:

I. Special Presentation Speaker: Gregory Dean, Chief, Seattle Fire Department

Chief Dean joined the SFD in 1970 and rose to the ranks of Lt., Fire Marshall, Chief of Personnel, and Chief since 2004. He is on the Medic One Board and VP of King Co. Chiefs. SFD began in 1889 after the Seattle Fire. Now has 1100 people and \$160 million budget. He is in charge of the Fire Marshall's office, permits, risk management, safety managers and has 33 fire stations, 33 engines, 11 trucks and Medic One. Last year there were 80,000 alarms of which 60,000 were medical calls. Fire calls down due to sprinkler installations, fire alarms and education in schools and community meetings.

The fire levy made possible the rebuilding or remodeling of stations in-Lake City, Northgate, University, Greenwood, Greenlake, Roosevelt and Hawthorne Hills. Fremont and Wedgwood will have work done also.

Police and Fire Depts work closely together at all scenes. Police facilitate blood runs and secure the scene before the SFD goes into a scene.

Busiest times are Seafair, Bumbershoot, Apple Cup and New Years Eve.

Firefighters have special training for tunnels and special requirements are being built into the new downtown tunnel for safety.

During an average day there are 1.5 million people in the Seattle and they have four aid cars available Downtown. Week ends there are about 600,000 people.

II. Precinct Update: Lt. Hicks

Burglary rates are back up but due to one individual that has left town, they are coming back down. Car thefts are declining due to public education. In University District and Ballard/Greenlake prowls went from 13 to 1 due to SPD special project.

The North Precinct is the best in the city. They have led with new ways to prevent crime-Neighborhood Police Program, Interaction with the public and using 30% of officer's time to be proactive. Highest car prowl areas are Greenlake and Northgate shopping mall. Report ALL prowls!

III. Crime Prevention Report: Diane Horswill/Neil Hansen/
Seattle was number 3 in auto theft and is now number 37. Capt. Oliver is now running Major Crimes

IV. City Attorney's Office: Ed McKenna
City attorney will increase penalties for graffiti offenders with changes to old ordinance.

V. Liquor Control Board: Judy Lewis

VI. Jeff Sergeant
Reminder to watch the Sex Offender's List.

VII. Committee Reports

Issues: Doug Thiel

Giggles is planning to open a strip club on Roosevelt Way. Must be 800' from any schools or churches.

a. Membership: Dick Hillmann—please give Dick any roster changes.

VIII. Old Business

Sergeant Newsom reported we have collected 4628 pairs of socks for the homeless (3432 from U Dist), 222 pair of gloves, 74 caps , 9 scarves and 4 t-shirts. A great job by all the volunteers!!!

IX. New Business

X. Next Months Agenda

Speaker will be Police Chief John Diaz

XI. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.