

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA
MINUTES FOR COMMISSION ON GANG PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION
MEETING OF
THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2009
AT 5:00 P.M.
CITY HALL IN THE COMMITTEE CLOSED SESSION ROOM - 12TH FLOOR
202 C STREET

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pastor Harry Cooper at 5:00 p.m. There were not enough Commissioners for quorum when meeting started. The meeting was adjourned by Chair Pastor Harry Cooper at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Chair Cooper called the roll:

ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:

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| (1) Commissioner Lansdowne | (7) Commissioner Lozada |
| (2) Commissioner Jenkins | (8) Commissioner Silverman |
| (3) Commissioner Yanov | (9) Commissioner Torres |
| (4) Commissioner Cervantes | (10) Commissioner Villarreal |
| (5) Commissioner Henderson | Chair- Pastor Cooper |
| (6) Commissioner Cafferty | |

CURRENT INFORMATION SCAN (CIS):

Lieutenant Jorge Duran from the San Diego Police Department (SDPD) Gang Unit presented a report on current statistics from June 2009 that involved the City of San Diego (see stats handout below). Last month, SDPD began enforcement sweeps in Mission Bay since there were gang members congregating there on Sundays. SDPD collaborated with San Diego County Probation Department on two City wide sweeps to target individuals who are in gangs and are on probation.

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STREET GANG UNIT CASE STATISTICS

GANG CASES CURRENT MONTH		GANG CASES YEAR TO DATE		
	TOTAL (Month)	TOTAL (2009)	Compare (2008)	Change (2008 to 2009)
187 (Homicide)	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>-5</u>
664/187 (Attempt Homicide)	<u>1</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>
245 (Assault with a Deadly Weapon)	<u>27</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>164</u>	<u>-23</u>
246/247 (Shooting at a House/Vehicle)	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>
211 (Robbery)	<u>8</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>-15</u>
10851(Auto Theft)	<u>2</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>-4</u>
OTHER (All other Crimes)	<u>53</u>	<u>353</u>	<u>289</u>	<u>64</u>
TOTAL	<u>92</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>598</u>	<u>26</u>
GANG MEMBER DOCUMENTATION CURRENT MONTH		GANG MEMBER DOCUMENTATION YEAR TO DATE		
DOCUMENTED	<u>61</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>386</u>	<u>-86</u>
PURGED	<u>49</u>	<u>214</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>-2</u>
TOTAL POPULATION	<u>3999</u>	<u>3999</u>	<u>3873</u>	<u>126</u>

Commissioner Jenkins wanted to know the number of probationers that were arrested and if the arrests were being tracked.

Lieutenant Duran stated that the arrests were not being tracked but that he would be able to provide this information later.

Commissioner Henderson stated that there was some kind of data for summer violent crimes and wanted to see the comparison to last year.

Lieutenant Duran talked about being proactive within the communities and compared the 5 gang homicides this year to last years.

Probation Director Stacey Adams gave updates about Probation Department's activity from June 2009.

Probation Supervisor Alva Mireles commented on some of the collaborative operations that were being conducted.

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Commissioner Lozada wanted to know what the non-traditional hours were.

Probation Director Stacey Adams stated that the non-traditional work hours are during the nights and weekends. By probation policy, officers are allowed to conduct 4th waiver searches until 10pm with approval from Directors and Supervisors. Non-traditional hours generally begin at 5pm-6pm. Juvenile curfews are at 6pm and adults at 8pm.

Probation Supervisor Alva Mireles commented that during the month of June, probation officers worked 333 non-traditional hours.

Commissioner Lozada asked if the SD Probation Department collaborates with the community based organizations.

Probation Director Stacey Adams stated that Probation usually works with other law enforcement agencies.

Chair Cooper commented on the possibility of legalizing marijuana and the impact it may have on gangs in San Diego being that many of the gangs are drug driven.

Probation Director Stacey Adams stated that any use of uncontrolled substance is still a violation of probation.

Commissioner Kevin Henderson wanted to know if Probation was connected with any type of bootcamps for juveniles in regards to intervention.

Probation Director Stacey Adams stated that they run camps but they are for adjudicated wards of the court. Research shows that intervention camps do not have a lot of impact towards these youth whereas; intervention programs are proven to work a little better than boot camp programs.

Chair Cooper announced that there currently is a quorum due to Commissioner Cervantes attendance.

ACTION ITEM 1:

Executive Director Sharpe-Underwood commented on the letter of support (LOS) and collaboration letters that the Commission was able to provide and also discussed the process of the LOS.

Chair Cooper called to action to have the LOS sent to the Executive Director. The Chair can write-up LOS as needed and report back to the Commission.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MARK CAFFERTY. Seconded by Commissioner Scott Silverman.

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Commissioner Rosa Ana Lozada stated that she wanted to abstain as a potential applicant.

ACTION ITEM 2:

Commissioner Rosa Ana Lozada commented on the 2009 Workplan.

SDPD Captain McElroy discussed the South Eastern curfew sweeps that began April 2008. Data was gathered from the curfew sweeps during the timeframe of January 01-June 30. There were 74 juvenile arrests and of those arrests 51 were converted. Community based organizations have helped with informing the parents and the community on the education part of the curfew sweeps. Not all juveniles were picked up at curfew sweeps; some were picked up during the daytime loitering time which is from 8:30am to 2pm. From January 01, 2009 through June 30 there were 128 juvenile arrests and of those juveniles 37 were converted. Beginning June 01, 2009 there were 202 juvenile arrests and of those juveniles 88 were diverted.

SDPD Captain McKinney discussed the Mid City curfew and truancy sweeps from January 2009. The collaboration efforts amongst the community organizations and faith based organizations have been a success. Since January there have been 176 arrests and of those arrests, 117 have been diverted. As for curfew sweeps there have been 346 juveniles picked up and of those juveniles, 202 have been diverted. Instead of putting them into the system PD tries to divert them.

Commissioner Rosa Ana Lozada commented on the highlights of the workplan.

Becky Philpot from City Schools commented on the 10 to Succeed program. There were 34 young men who participated in this program and who definitely needed intervention. This is a hybrid mentoring program which is a combination of two programs school based and community based. It is run by City schools and their staff and also supported by different organizations.

Chair Cooper commented on the updates and the information that was going to be posted on the website.

Commissioner Lozada commented on the reflections of the updates and moving forward on the workplan.

Chair Cooper recommended to adopt the workplan with the corrections that were made.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LANSLOWNE. Seconded by Commissioner Henderson.

ACTION ITEM 3:

Executive Director Sharpe-Underwood commented on raising the bar on community dialogues and the involvement of CGPI with the Urban Network and the 13 City Networks.

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MOVED BY COMMISSIONER VICTOR TORRES. Seconded by Commissioner Mark Cafferty.

Commissioner Yanov wanted some clarification on action item 3.

Executive Director Sharpe-Underwood commented on providing clarification for item action 3.

Chair Pastor Cooper commented on the motion to appoint an adhoc committee. The motion was passed to have an adhoc committee. The following names are going to be part of this adhoc committee Commissioner Torres, Commissioner Lozada, Commissioner Yanov, and Chair Cooper.

Commissioner Lozada commented on the positive work that Lynn had done on bringing others to the table.

DISCUSSION ITEM 1:

Commissioner Mark Cafferty commented on the hire a youth summer employment program that San Diego Workforce Partnership spearheads. Funding for the youth employment and training is provided by the US Department of Labor. There were 12 community based organizations and school districts of faith based organizations countywide. The goal is to employ 3200 youth; there is about 60% of that activity within the City of San Diego. The eligibility and criteria is that the young people need to meet the threshold of the poverty level. Currently there are 2700 youth enrolled into this program. Many large and small employers have stepped up to the plate with helping these youth. There will be site visits on Fridays; this will help give us some feedback. Commissioner Lozada spoke about the strong support system that these families have been for the youth.

Commissioner Cafferty commented on the financial literacy that is being implemented with the youth.

Executive Director Sharpe-Underwood commented on the current grants (see report).

Commissioner Jenkins commented on Supervisor Dianne Jacobs and her approach towards gangs.

Probation Director Stacey Adams commented on Supervisor Jacobs intent to start in Spring Valley.

COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

Public Comment:

Jerad Fields commented on the Greater Works Empowerment Center. It's a place to help families get jobs. As a former gang member he had too much time on his hands, this

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place helped divert his time and took him off the streets. Playing sports also helped him stay off the streets. GWEC is hoping for the community to support their block parties.

Commissioner Yanov complimented on Jerad Fields being a living example of how one can change their life around in a positive way.

Commissioner Henderson commented on how he has been working with Greater Works Empowerment Center and looking for ways of support from others.

Commissioner Cafferty congratulated Jerad for making it on the U.S Track & Field team.

Kathleen Calderwood former vice chair of CHCP spoke about her and her husband being victims of violence. She asked for better updates on methods of tracking youth that are involved in gangs.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Pastor Cooper made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 P.M., seconded unanimously and was approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Next regular meeting: Thursday September 17, 2009 @ 5:30pm

City Administration Building
Closed Conference Room, 12th Floor
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