

SECURITY & ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes

Monday, 17 October 2022, 2:00 pm

Bienville House, Vieux Carré Room

320 Decatur Street

New Orleans, LA 70130

1. Call to Order, Reading of the Agenda, and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:03pm. Ms. Frankic read the agenda into the record.

ROLL CALL:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS				VOTES
First Name	Last Name	Present	Absent	Approve mtg notes
Joshua	Grippio		X	–
Frances	Hegenberger	X		Yes
Jessica	Dietz	X		Yes
Glade	Bilby	X		Yes
Jane	Cooper		X	–
Steve	Caputo	X		Yes

INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES:

GUESTS		
First	Last	Role
Karley	Frankic	Executive Director
Eric	Smith	City CAO Analyst
Sgt. Marc	Boudreau	NOPD 8 th District / SPPP Coordinator
Matt	Pincus	UQP Supervisor
Lt. Sam	Palumbo	NOPD
Commander Hans	Ganthier	NOPD
Robert	Simms	FQMD Commissioner

2. Public Comment:

No written comments were received at the conclusion of the reading of the agenda.

3. Approval of previous meeting notes

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Ms. Hegenberger made a motion to approve the September meeting notes. Ms. Dietz seconded the motion, and it was approved.

4. Committee Chair’s Comments

Vice-Chair Steve Caputo led the meeting in Chair Jane Cooper’s absence. Mr. Caputo reminded the committee that there will be opportunities to take on some smaller but obtainable projects for the coming 2023 work plan; he urged the committee to keep obtainable goals in mind when deciding what issues to prioritize in 2023.

5. Presentation – Presentation on the monthly report of the Upper Quarter Patrol. To present: Matthew Pincus

See the report below

Key Performance Indicators	3/8-3/19	3/20 - 4/2	4/3-4/30	5/1-5/31	6/1-6/30	7/1-7/31	8/1-8/31	9/1-9/30	Year to Date
Business Checks	249	1370	1910	2063	1407	2136	1958	3151	14,244
Citizen Contacts	158	913	873	897	819	913	933	1413	6,919
NOPD Assists	2	23	39	42	27	33	26	21	213
Subjects Moved	15	297	412	452	471	587	615	738	3587
Medical (EMS Notified Rendered Aid)	2	5	5	9	11	9	9	12	62

Mr. Pincus reported that the Upper Quarter Patrol is utilizing the Sobering Center’s Sober Patrol to respond to calls of alcohol intoxicated individuals. Mr. Bilby asked Mr. Pincus how that process works. Mr. Pincus reported that the officer contacts a subject they believe is under the influence of alcohol that may need help. The officer then offers resources to the subject provided through the sobering center. If the subject is willing to accept help, then a van from the Sobering Center picks up the subject and provides them with resources at the center. The Sobering Center is only used for subjects under the influence of alcohol and does not deal with drug related issues. The Sober Patrol takes willing individuals only.

UQP is filling more shifts and management is encouraging increased business checks and citizen contacts. UQP has provided 10,600+ hours since the beginning of March this year.

6. Presentation – Presentation on the French Quarter Economic Development District October Agreement Monitors Meeting. To present: Steve Caputo

Mr. Caputo gave the committee a summary of the Agreement Monitors meeting. He reported that the income for September was \$211,000 in sales tax revenue. He also reported that the patrol vehicles donated by New Orleans

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and Company are ready for patrol but are waiting on the titles to arrive before the Act of Donation can be completed with the City and the vehicles are available for patrol. The titles should arrive by the end of the week. Mr. Caputo reported that there have been some hang ups with acquiring the Polaris vehicles; per Eric Smith, they will need to be ordered through New Orleans Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness (NOHSEP) instead of by means of the Federal General Services Administration. Mr. Smith has also been granted permission to survey All Star Electric's yard to determine exactly how many light poles are available for re-installment. The Agreement Monitors also discussed line items in the proposed 2023 budget to include more resources and vehicles for the NOPD. The Agreement Monitors also discussed increasing special overtime rate for SPPP shifts. Eric Smith will need to get permission from the City Civil Service to increase wages to \$60 per hour for weekend shifts.

7. Presentation – Presentation of Eighth District Crime Statistics and the Supplemental Police Patrol Program. To Present: Sgt. Marc Boudreau

See report below. Sgt. Boudreau reported that due to issues with the SPPP application related to self-initiated and dispatch calls, the numbers for the previous month were down. He has now set up an iPad at the front desk so the desk officer can route SPPP app calls when the SPPP shifts are not filled. Since then the app response time has been reduced from 23 to 13 minutes. 45.6% of shifts were filled in the month of September. Sgt. Boudreau reported that the SPPP is back to having four cars on patrol for full use; the other four New Orleans and Company donated vehicles are pending as they await their titles and full outfitting.

Lt. Palumbo reported on the NOPD 8th District crime statistics. NOPD arrested a subject that conducted three stabbings over the past week. There were also three armed robberies; two of which have been cleared by arrests, one is still an open investigation. Lt. Palumbo reported that year to date, there have been 190 gun arrests on Bourbon Street alone, with 265 gun arrests for the entire 8th District.

8. Presentation – Presentation on City Safety Coordination. To present: Eric Smith, City CAO Analyst

a. Crash Bollards Removal on Bourbon Street

Mr. Smith reported that an architecture firm has submitted a proposal for the removal of the crash bollards.

b. Vehicle Procurement for Supplemental Police Patrol Program

i. Donation from New Orleans & Company

Mr. Smith reported that he is waiting on EMD for the bids to go out for two additional Ford Escape patrol vehicles from the FQIF allocation. He is also waiting on the City's Innovations Department to put together a group bid for electrical vehicles. Mr. Smith reported that the Polaris vehicles cannot be contracted through GSA because their contractor does not currently do business in Louisiana and are unwilling to receive their tax certificate in the state. Mr. Smith is looking into utilizing NOHSEP instead to procure the Polaris vehicle.

ii. Procurement by City of New Orleans

c. Travelers Aid Society Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with French Market Corporation

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Mr. Smith reported that he is hopeful that the CEA will be implemented within the next month. The Travelers Aid Society will then be able to hire two case managers for the project. A guest asked if the jobs had been posted and Mr. Smith said he would find out and report back.

d. Request For Proposal for the Supplemental Police Patrol Program Application

Mr. Smith reported that he does not expect an RFP for the application to go out until the end of the year.

9. Discussion – Discussion by Committee of the French Quarter Economic Development District Trust Fund Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

The committee discussed projects to be prioritized in 2023 to include:

- Administrative assistance for the SPPP and full-time staff for the Real Time Crime Center. These additions would supplement the NOPD as force multipliers with the additional cameras being installed.
- Dedicated sanitation, code, and parking enforcement officers.
- Case managers provided through the Travelers Aid Society of Greater New Orleans (TASGNO). The committee discussed utilizing case workers from the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) but decided to wait to see how TASGNO case workers work out before utilizing another program to supplement.
- Additional streetlights to be determined with reference to the lighting assessment. Mr. Caputo suggested that now that the lighting assessment is in the hands of the City, the City should commit to fixing the poles in need of maintenance and repairs before FQMD funds more streetlights in the French Quarter. Mr. Bilby suggested that the committee prioritize lighting because it is related to public safety and affects both businesses and residents. Mr. Smith will request that DPW send regular maintenance updates in regard to the streetlights in the French Quarter. Currently to maintain streetlights, The City's maintenance contract allows for: \$92 dollars a pole for basic repairs, and \$650 a pole for major repairs and restorations.

10. New Business– To consider and take action upon any other matters that may properly come before the French Quarter Management District Security and Enforcement Committee

No new business was discussed.

11. Next meeting date: 21 November 2022

12. Adjournment

Mr. Bilby made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Hegenberger seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:10pm.

DESCRIPTION	INCREMENT	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Year to Date Average	KPI
SPPP Officers Trained in FQ Specific Laws	Within 30 days of joining SPPP officer pool	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
App Response Time	10 minutes 90%	11.5	38.22	18.1	27	23.5	26.5	27.8	23.8	23	24	10
Miles Patrolled	Month	5,595	4,200	6,416	6,483	6,398	6,240	5,427	6,380	4,468	5,674	10,000
Citizen Contracts	Month	477	285	561	535	467	661	563	544	378	465	700
Business Checks	Month (10/Day)	368	253	441	344	364	449	409	495	353	352	300
Percentage of Shifts Filled	CEA Obligated Shifts	44%	30.80%	48.20%	45%	47.50%	35.00%	49.50%	55.00%	45.60%	42%	90%
	Scheduled Shifts	77%	57%	90%	68%	71%	53%	69%	83%	69%	73%	-

Responsible Party	Description	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Year to Date Average	5-Year Avg
SPPP Supervisor	App Calls Received	120	146	192	233	303	314	250	260	220	173	371
SPPP Supervisor	Dispatch Calls Responded to	57	37	74	72	95	89	107	107	56	60	100
SPPP Supervisor	Arrests & Apprehensions	1	3	6	9	10	10	12	4	7	5	33
SPPP Supervisor	Summons / Traffic Citations	24	24	4 52	5 92	6 58	12 66	5 35	6 33	6 37	50	58
SPPP Supervisor	Subjects Moved	126	80	255	262	407	434	431	366	263	181	1328
SPPP Supervisor	SPPP Vehicles Available for Patrol	2	2	3	4	4	3	3	3	4	3	
8 th Commander	Officers Assigned to the 8th District	87	84	85	83	85	85	85	78	77	85	98 (2021/10/01)
8 th Commander	Person Crimes in the FQ	10	19	16	26	21	18	15	18	30	18	
8 th Commander	Officers: Bourbon Promenade	15	14	14	14	16	14	14	11	16	14	