



City of Jacksonville – The Jacksonville Journey

Law Enforcement & Deterrence Sub-Committee

MINUTES

OF

LAW ENFORCEMENT & DETERRENCE

SUB-COMMITTEE

January 10, 2008

The Jacksonville Journey – Law Enforcement & Deterrence

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9:30 a.m.

PROCEEDINGS before the Jacksonville Journey - Law Enforcement & Deterrence Sub-Committee taken on Thursday, January 10, 2008, Edward Ball Building, 8th Floor - 214 N. Hogan Street, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida commencing at approximately 9:30 a.m.

Law Enforcement & Deterrence Sub-Committee

Paul Perez, Chair
Ed Hearle, Member
Joe Henry, Member
Bishop Howard, Member
John Jolly, Member
Henry Luke, Member
Frank Mackesy, Member
Isaiah Rumlin, Member
Lanny Russell, Member
Joe Stelma, Member
Melissa Nelson, Member
Michael Weinstein, Member

APPEARANCES

COMMITTEE CHAIRS & MEMBERS:

PAUL PEREZ, Chair
ED HEARLE, Member
JOE HENRY, Member
BISHOP HOWARD, Member
JOHN JOLLY, Member
HENRY LUKE, Member
FRANK MACKESY, Member
ISAIAH RUMLIN, Member
LANNY RUSSELL, Member
MELISSA NELSON, Member
MICHAEL WEINSTEIN, Member

EXCUSED ABSENT:

JOE STELMA, Member

PROFESSIONAL STAFF:

Jon Phillips, Office of General Counsel

STAFF:

ADAM HOLLINGSWORTH
MISTY SKIPPER
STEPHANIE BARNETT
RACHELLE M. SUNDY

OTHERS PRESENT:

Joseph Henry, Citizen
Mark Baughman, DEA
Mary Kelli Palka, Florida Times Union

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Call to Order and Comments. Chairman Perez called the meeting to order at approximately 9:40 a.m.

Purpose of Meeting. Discuss the Mayor's crime initiative - The Jacksonville Journey - Take a Step - Law Enforcement & Deterrence Sub-Committee.

Chairman Perez welcomed the group and thanked them for their willingness to be in attendance at the request of the Mayor. He noted that this group has a very ambitious agenda that must be accomplished and feels that there is leadership and experience in the committee with which to accomplish the challenge that lays before the group. Chairman Perez then asked the group to go around the table for introductions. Once introductions were complete, Chairman Perez introduced Jon Phillips from the Office of General Counsel for the Sunshine Law Presentation. Following are questions from that presentation:

Q. What if someone on this committee is on another committee, or Mayor's Staff? **If business is discussed that pertains to the business of this committee, the meeting must be noticed.**

Q. The subject matter is something the Sheriff is working on the subject matter 24 hours per day/7 days per week. How does he manage this? **The only issue he will have is if meetings are held privately among you, that is against Sunshine Laws - all meetings with 2 or more members must be noticed. Mr. Hollingsworth noted**

that the issue with the Sheriff will be addressed with the Mayor.

Chairman Perez thanked Mr. Phillips for his presentation and then moved onto the agenda. Mr. Hollingsworth read through the Mayor's charge to the group and noted several housekeeping items. It was noted the meetings are streamed live on the coj.net website; written minutes are being kept and will also be posted on the website; all committee meetings will be held in Room 851 of the Ed Ball Building; reporters and members of the community can set in on the meetings, however, there will be no public comment. At this point, the meeting was turned over to the guest speaker, Mr. Mark Baughman with the Drug Enforcement Agency of Jacksonville. Information on this presentation can be heard on the recorded minutes posted at www.coj.net.

Chairman Perez then moved onto his own PowerPoint presentation with regards to how his vision of how the sub-committee would be able to move through the Mayor's charge. Presentation is posted to the website for viewing. Chairman Perez spoke to the group about the need to break into smaller work groups in order to handle each issue before the committee; the four charge areas that the Mayor has asked this committee to focus on:

- 1) Police Presence
- 2) Gun Crimes
- 3) Administration of Justice
- 4) Safe Schools

It was determined that the committee would break into four smaller committees and Chairman Perez asked the group to submit e-mails to the Support Staff with their top two preference of sub-groups to

work on. He noted that a follow-up e-mail would be sent to the group in the next week to break down sub-workgroup members and the charge to set the schedules for meeting. Chairman Perez noted that the State Attorney, the Sheriff and the Chief Judge have agreed to come and speak before the group about their experience and impact with the problems that currently face the community. Chairman Perez then noted that the first hour of each full sub-committee meeting would be devoted to an overview of each of the sub-workgroups. It is desired that between today's meeting and the Steering Committee meeting on January 24th, each sub-workgroup would meet at least one time.

Chairman Perez then dismissed the meeting at approximately 11:25 a.m.

2. Action Items

Undersheriff Mackesy is to provide support staff with a copy of the letter from Sheriff regarding JCCI for distribution to sub-committee

3. Discussion Items

None.

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.