

**Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force
Policy Team Minutes
Regular Meeting
Friday February 26, 2010
200 E. Santa Clara Street, Room W118-120**

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Chuck Reed, Mayor; Rob Davis, Chief of Police; Madison Nguyen, Nora Campos, George Shirakawa Jr, Jeff Bornefeld, Joaquin Parra, George Rios, Norberto Duenas, Cora Tomalinas, Pastor Tony Ortiz, Albert Balagso, Angel Rios, Sheila Mitchell, Dolores Carr, Lindley Zink, Mary Greenwood, Dr. John Porter, Jeff Ruster,

Absent: Mario Ozuna-Sanchez, MACSA, Jeff Mclaughlin, Cary Dritz, Mary Greenwood, Salvador Alvarez, Dan Moser, Kevin Jensen, Judge Patrick Tondreau

Staff: Jose Salcido- Senior Policy Advisor, Mayor's Office; Khoa Nguyen- Mayor's Office

1. Welcome, Introductions and Adoption of the October 16, 2009 Policy Team Minutes

Mayor Chuck Reed began the meeting at 7:35 am with members of the Task Force and public introducing themselves. Mayor Reed called for adoption of the October 16, 2009 minutes.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Nguyen and seconded by District Attorney Dolores Carr the minutes were approved unanimously.

2. Climate Discussion

Lt. John Spicer Presented to the Task Force about the current gang climate in San Jose. Chief Davis made reference to the combination of the police department stats analysis in concert with utilizing basic street knowledge as one of the reasons San Jose is seeing the decrease in violent crime and gang homicides in 2009.

3. Subcommittee Updates

Council Member Nguyen provided an update to the Task Force on the second crime and gang prevention summit. With over 280 members of the public attending and over 15 Community Based Organizations participating the event

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was a success. Additionally, with assistance from Mario Maciel, MGPTF superintendent, CM Nguyen alluded to the Community Engagement subcommittee draft of the 2009-2010 Work Plan. With a recommendation from Mario Maciel, Mayor Reed requested that the draft work plan be presented at the next MGPTF Policy Team Meeting for discussion.

Supervisor George Shirakawa Jr. presented to the task force around the work of the county. The Interagency Collaborative Subcommittee (ICS) met on January 20th. The Committee agreed with Supervisor Shirakawa's proposal to take the lead on enhancing the re-entry process and aftercare services for young adults. A collaborative of city and county departments and community providers applied for the federal Second Chance Act grant to support reaching into the county jail and preparing inmates with re-entry services and support. The Mayor asked about the impacts of the State's corrections reform legislation and asked the ICS to take the lead on this issue. County justice departments reported their viewpoints on the impacts.

Joaquin Para reported on behalf of the Tech Team Subcommittee. The subcommittee formally request that the city school/collaborative subcommittee agenize the issue of access and space to school facilities for programming. Superintendent porter said that he will work with the collaborative to agenize the item for a future meeting.

Superintendent John Porter Jr. Reported on the current work of the School/ City Collaborative. Superintendent Porter reported on the work of the ESUHSD around parent gang awareness training and alluded to the Franklin McKinley Children Zone summit after the Mayo's Gang Prevention Task Force meeting.

4. B.E.S.T Eligible Services Review

Mario Maciel, MGPTF Superintendent, provided a report to the MGPTF Policy Team regarding B.E.S.T eligible services review recommendation. The B.E.S.T. Eligible Service updates the service delivery model based on the new priorities that were laid out in the updated MGPTF strategic work plan.

Upon a motion by Albert Balagso and seconded Norberto Duenas the Eligible services review recommendation was unanimously accepted by the Task Force.

5. B.E.S.T End of the Year Evaluation

Dr. Peter Ellis reported to the policy team B.E.S.T end of the year evaluation.

6. Task Force Open Discussion

Mayor Reed opened the floor to the Task Force to bring forth issues of importance for open discussion. Mayor Reed brought up concerns about the

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potential state prison reforms/ budget cuts and its possible ramification on the city's gang issues. Members of the MGPTF policy team had a thoughtful discussion.

Mayor Reed asked that this issue be brought to Interagency Subcommittee for review with a report back to the MGPTF Policy Team.

Open Forum

A.J Castro announced that East Valley PAL soccer league will start recruiting. The PAL soccer program encourages young people to play sports instead of engage in street/gang activity. In 2005 the league had 50 members. Today, 2009 the league has over 350 members.

Erin Ramirez announced that on March 13, 2010 there will be a peace rally from 9-11a.m on the corner of Story and King.

Members of the MGTPF acknowledged the tremendous work of George Rios from the City Attorney's office as he sets to retire.

7. Adjournment

Adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

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