



Minutes Tempe Family Justice Commission June 20, 2017

Minutes of the TEMPE FAMILY JUSTICE COMMISSION held on Tuesday, June 20, 6:00 p.m., at the Tempe, Public Library 2nd Floor Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, Arizona.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Karyn Lathan, Chair
Angel Carbajal
Patrick Foster
Kimberly Frick
Judith Homer (telephonically)
Kristen Scharlau
Margaret "Peggy" Tinsley (telephonically)

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Ilene Dode
Andi Fetzner
Beatrice Kastenbaum
Celeste Plumlee

City Staff Present:

Valerie Kime Trujillo, Human Services Deputy Director
Melissa Placencia, Human Services Administrative Assistant

Guests Present:

None present

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chair Karyn Lathan called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Attendance

Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances

Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of February 2, 2017 Minutes – Strategic Planning III (Motion Required)

MOTION: Commission Member Angel Carbajal moved to APPROVE the minutes.

SECOND: Commission Member Patrick Foster

DECISION: Minutes unanimously APPROVED

Agenda Item 5 – Review and Approval of May 16, 2017 Minutes (Motion Required)

MOTION: Commission Member Kristen Scharlau moved to APPROVE the minutes.

SECOND: Commission Member seconded

DECISION: Minutes unanimously APPROVED

Agenda Item 6 – Chair Remarks

- Welcome New Commission Member

Mayor & Council recently approved Celeste Plumlee as the newest At-Large Commission Member. Commissioner Celeste Plumlee previously worked for CARE 7 and also served as a volunteer, worked in the Legislature as a State House Representative and currently serves as the Hunger Program and Policy Manager at the Arizona Community Action Association.

Agenda Item 7 – Strategic Plan Update

The Chair and Vice Chair will review the Strategic Plan and come up with an outline of an action plan and present it to the Commission.

Commission Members Beatrice Kastenbaum and Ilene Dode compiled a “Best Practices” report as noted as a strategic direction in the Family Justice Commission Implementation Plan; due to members’ absences, this was not reviewed.

Commission Member Angel Carbajal informed the Commission of the next necessary steps to prepare a proposal to Mayor & Council and suggested the Commission dedicate three to four hours to establish the proposal outline, style/format and identify any unaddressed items (background, fiscal impact, funding, stakeholders, alignment with Council Priorities, cost, location, etc.) The Commission agreed the next two meetings will be designated to complete the presentation/proposal. Deputy Director Paul Bentley and Melissa Placencia will provide the Commission with the City’s Strategic Priorities at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 8 – Police Department Update (attachment included)

Commission Member Angel Carbajal updated the Commission on crime statistics.

Agenda Item 9 – CARE7 Update

Commission Member Kristen Scharlau is in the process of writing grants to expand CARE7’s scope of service. CARE7 is looking to develop a victim specific volunteer program to assist the victim advocates with community outreach, education in schools, etc.

Agenda Item 10 – Advocacy Center Recap

The Commission recently visited Amberly’s Place located in Yuma. Commission Member Kristen Scharlau was impressed with the facility’s community partnerships and with how much thought was put into the overall design of

the building. Amberly's Place was primarily funded with Victims of Crime Act (V.O.C.A.) funds and community donations. The Commission discussed whether they wanted an advocacy center versus a shelter. Commission Member Kristen Scharlau reported Housing Manager LeVon Lamy has developed programs that will accept CARE7 referrals for individuals seeking housing, much like the established voucher system with Section 8. The outcomes of these programs will directly affect the direction of the proposal to Mayor & Council

Agenda Item 11 – Future Agenda Items – July 18, 2017

- Strategic Plan Update

Agenda Item 12 – Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Next meeting will be on July 18, 2017

Minutes Prepared by: Melissa Placencia

Reviewed by: Paul Bentley

Karyn Lathan, Chair
Tempe Family Justice Commission

Family Justice Commission Statistics



CRIME TYPE	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017*				
MOLESTATION OF A CHILD	5	10	8	6	0				
SEXUAL ABUSE	25	32	24	27	8				
SEXUAL ASSAULT	67	89	96	146	43				
SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH MINOR	8	13	10	13	8				
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - DV	144	151	135	147	70	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - DV	Total	Male	Female
ARRESTEES ² - AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - DV	100	109	99	107	51	Persons arrested more than once	7	6	1
VICTIMS - AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - DV	183	197	180	196	98	Persons victimized more than once	24	7	17
ASSAULT - DV	1,015	1,168	1,047	1,112	456	ASSAULT - DV	Total	Male	Female
ARRESTEES ² - ASSAULT - DV	634	738	650	699	282	Persons arrested more than once	195	131	64
VICTIMS - ASSAULT - DV	1,266	1,493	1,373	1,441	579	Persons victimized more than once	557	169	388

*Year-to-date includes data until May 31, 2017.

²Arrestees may reflect multiple arrests per incident and include persons who are both victims and arrestees.

²Arrests can also be for warrants unrelated to these offenses.

City of Tempe
January 1, 2013 – May 31, 2017

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