



## Minutes Tempe Family Justice Commission February 20, 2018

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

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Karyn Lathan, Chair  
Margaret "Peggy" Tinsley, Vice-Chair  
Angel Carbajal  
JoAnne Del-Colle  
Ilene Dode  
Patrick Foster  
Judith Homer  
Beatrice "Bunny" Kastenbaum  
Mary O'Grady  
Kristen Scharlau

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Jill Oliver

**City Staff Present:**

Paul Bentley, Human Services Deputy Director  
Maryam Coskun, Police Research Data Analyst

**Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order**

Chair Karyn Lathan called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

**Agenda Item 2 - Attendance**

**Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances**

**Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of January 23, 2018 Minutes – (Motion Required)**

Commission Member Angel Carbajal noted he committed to confirm crime numbers on Agenda Item #10

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

**SECOND:** Motion Seconded by Vice-Chair Margaret "Peggy" Tinsely

**DECISION:** Minutes unanimously APPROVED

**Agenda Item 5 – Proposal for Tempe Family Justice Commission Donations – Vice-Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley & Judith Homer (attached)**

Vice-Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley presented a draft proposal to the Commission wished to address two questions with the Commission:

1. Including a specific ask or project in the proposal
2. Designating a social media moderator

Chair Karyn Lathan emphasized she does not want to spend money from CARE7’s budget. Commission Member Kristen Scharlau stated CARE7’s funding for victims is very specific. Relocation and anything non-emergency is unfunded; funding for housing is always a need. CARE7 can support outreach etc. if the Commission coordinates. Any marketing, printing etc., funding would need to come from the Commission.

Angel Carbajal noted he is grateful the Commission is seeking funding on education of resources and encourage reporting of sex related crimes and feels the Commission should leverage with National Events. The Commission could be the overarching driving force of sexual assault awareness month. In years past, female detectives conducted outreach on Mill Avenue, Angel suggested the Commission also participate in the outreach.

The Commission discussed at length whether they wanted to request funding from Mayor & Council or if they wanted to partner with a 501(c)(3). Karyn Lathan recommended revising the proposal to include revisions discussed.

**MOTION: Commission Member Angel Carbajal moved to the Commission compose a memo to request funding to educate, prevent, and raise awareness on sexual domestic violence and to visit sites to determine what the Tempe Family Justice Commission proposed center should look like; Identify two (2) members of the Commission to present at a Work Study Session to Mayor & Council on the Commission’s strategic initiatives and the needs for a center the Commission feels is needed in the Community; Mayor & Council compile a workgroup**

**SECOND: Motion Seconded by Vice-Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley**

**DECISION: Motion unanimously APPROVED**

**Agenda Item 6 – Police Department Update – (attachment)**

At the January 23, 2018 meeting, the Commission discussed the amount of under-reported crimes. Angel met with Maryam Coskun, Police Research Data Analyst to re-look at the crimes reported. Angel stated with Tempe’s reporting system, the highest crime or most serious crime is the crime that is counted; multiple crimes could occur in one investigation/report but whichever is more serious, is the crime accounted for. After discussing with Maryam what the Commission was looking for, Maryam was able to run a new report reflective in the new report. Angel and Maryam offered to add Child Abuse as a reported category in future reports. Vice-Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley requested to separate Aggravated Assault – Domestic Violence by Adult Victim and Child Victim with cutoff age of 18 years.

Commission Member Patrick Foster noted the Arizona State University Police Department (ASU) has added a victim advocate to their department. Patrick stated there have been some recent issues with delineating lines between the administrative side of ASU and the criminal justice side in reference to investigating and adjudicating allegations of campus sexual misconduct under federal law. Schools have the discretion to apply either the preponderance of the evidence standard or the clear and convincing evidence standard.

Patrick also reported that there have not been any reported sexual assault cases in 2018.

### **Agenda Item 7 – CARE7 Update**

Kristen Scharlau noted the new Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding will go before Mayor & Council for approval on February 22, 2018. Kristen Scharlau requested as future agenda items to provide an update on support groups and an update on CARE7's collaboration with all Tempe schools. Kristen Scharlau and Angel Carbajal feel the collaboration between the Tempe Police Department and CARE7 has made a significant impact in the Tempe community.

### **Agenda Item 8 – Strategic Plan Review and Discussion**

Deputy Director Paul Bentley reviewed the Strategic Plan and Implementation Plan and provided background information on the vision and strategic directions identified by the Tempe Family Justice Commission. Paul noted the City of Tempe is conducting a city-wide facilities study and a need for a Human Services facility. Chair Karyn Lathan requested that Commission Member Kristen Scharlau identify out of state advocacy centers the Commission should visit.

### **Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items – March 20, 2018**

- Proposal to Establish Sustainable Funding to Support Tempe Family Justice Commission Strategic Plan Action Items
- Discuss Innovation Grant Proposals
- Police Department Update
- CARE7 Update

### **Agenda Item 10 – Adjournment**

**MOTION: Vice-Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley moved to adjourn the meeting**

**SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Kristen Scharlau**

**DECISION: Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.**

Next meeting will be on March 20, 2018

Minutes Prepared by: Melissa Placencia

Reviewed by: Paul Bentley

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Karyn Lathan, Chair

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# MEMORANDUM

TO: Tempe City Council

FROM: Family Justice Commission

DATE:



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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FOR A CONSISTENT FUNDING SOURCE FOR FAMILY JUSTICE COMMISSION PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECTS VIA DONATIONS

- I. The Family Justice Commission, under its charter established by the City Council, wishes to increase public awareness of services available to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.
  - a. There is a long history of both domestic violence, including child abuse, and sexual assault being under-reported and as a result, those victims do not receive services that they need, that are available, and that could benefit them.
  - b. The current “Me, Too” and “Time’s Up” movements have begun to bring public attention to these issues.
- II. The City of Tempe had anticipated this issue by establishing the Family Justice Commission to address the needs of these underserved communities.
- III. The Family Justice Commission was created by the City Council to advise the council and assist city departments in promoting access to justice and safety for victims of crime, to facilitate access to wrap-around services and a multidisciplinary response for victims, to coordinate crosstraining for police and healthcare providers, and to expand education and outreach to vulnerable populations. As a part of this mission, the Family Justice Commission feels it is necessary to increase public awareness of the resources available to victims of crime.
  - a. The Family Justice Commission has presented to the City Council a proposal for a Family Services Center (??) which project is currently under consideration by the Council.
- IV. A review of Tempe Police statistics (attached) suggests that either Tempe has remarkably few domestic violence and sexual assault cases, or, more likely, these crimes are underreported.
  - a. Underreporting can be the result of societally-imposed shame at being the victim of such an offense, and also because of not being aware of services that are available.
  - b. The Family Justice Commission wishes to make the services that are available currently through such Tempe programs as Care7 more widely known to the public in general and to victim communities in particular, and to encourage victims to report and support the prosecution of crimes against them and their children without shame or fear of retribution.
- V. The Family Justice Commission proposed to work with a 501C3 organization to obtain funding for awareness programs such as: a social media presence (?), annual public educational events, community outreach, police training support, etc etc etc

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A The Family Justice Commission has neither a budget nor a funding source, and does not wish to seek funds that have been otherwise appropriated by the City, but does have a need for funds. Association with a willing 501C3 which would serve as both recipient and manager of the funds seems an ideal resolution.

# Family Justice Commission Report



CRIMES OF INTEREST	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017				
MOLESTATION OF A CHILD	7	11	8	7	5				
SEXUAL ABUSE	39	46	36	37	41				
SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH MINOR	16	18	14	16	17				
SEXUAL ASSAULT	69	89	97	150	141				
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV	146	157	142	155	163	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV	Total	Male	Female
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV-ARRESTEES <sup>2</sup>	102	119	108	115	113	Persons arrested more than once	11	10	1
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV-VICTIMS	185	201	188	205	219	Persons victimized more than once	28	7	21
ASSAULT DV	1,072	1,229	1,113	1,174	1,190	ASSAULT DV	Total	Male	Female
ASSAULT DV-ARRESTEES <sup>2</sup>	648	753	675	720	728	Persons arrested more than once	244	166	78
ASSAULT DV-VICTIMS	1,331	1,564	1,455	1,508	1,549	Persons victimized more than once	709	212	497

\*The Crimes of Interest stats listed here counts every general offense event when the crime type is classified as the Primary or Secondary Offense (utilizing IBR reporting).

Agg assaults also include drive by and officer involved shooting, threat/intimidate person w/ gun; Assaults also include threat/intimidate person/property, and stalking.

<sup>2</sup>Arrestees may reflect multiple arrests per incident and include persons who are both victims and arrestees; Arrests can also be for warrants unrelated to these offenses.

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Crimes of Interest	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
MOLESTATION OF A CHILD	7	11	8	7	5	38
SEXUAL ABUSE	39	46	36	37	41	199
SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH MINOR	16	18	14	16	17	81
SEXUAL ASSAULT	69	89	97	150	141	546
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV	146	157	142	155	163	763
ASSAULT DV	1,072	1,229	1,113	1,174	1,190	5,778

Crimes of Interest	Associated Crimes	Occurred Year					
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
MOLESTATION OF A CHILD	MOLESTATION OF A CHILD		5	10	8	6	4
	ASSAULT DV						1
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV					1	
	SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR		1				
	KIDNAPPING		1				
	PORNOGRAPHY-OBSCENE MATERIAL			1			
	<b>Total</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>
SEXUAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE		25	32	24	27	32
	SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH MINOR						2
	ASSAULT DV		3	6	4	4	5
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV		2	2	1		
	SEXUAL ASSAULT		5	1	2	4	1
	CONTRIBUTING DELINQUENCY MINOR		1				
	DISORDERLY CONDUCT		1	2	2	1	
	LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION			1			
	MARIJUANA-POSSESSION		1				
	THEFTS			1		1	
	TRESPASSING		1	1	1		
	UNLAWFUL IMPRISONMENT				1		
	BURGLARY						1
	ROBBERY				1		
		<b>Total</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>37</b>
SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH MINOR	SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH MINOR		8	13	10	14	14
	MOLESTATION OF A CHILD		1	2	1	1	
	ASSAULT DV				1		
	SEXUAL ASSAULT		1	1	1	1	2
	SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR		1		1		
	CONTRIBUTING DELINQUENCY MINOR		1				
	DISORDERLY CONDUCT						1
	ENDANGERMENT		1				
	FRAUD SCHEMES			1			
	KIDNAPPING		1				
	MARIJUANA-POSSESSION		1				
	PORNOGRAPHY-OBSCENE MATERIAL			1			
	THEFTS		1				
	<b>Total</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
SEXUAL ASSAULT	SEXUAL ASSAULT		68	89	97	150	141
	HOMICIDE		1				
	<b>Total</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>141</b>
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV		145	154	141	154	156
	SEXUAL ASSAULT			2		1	3
	ROBBERY		1	1	1		4
	<b>Total</b>		<b>146</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>163</b>
ASSAULT DV	ASSAULT DV		969	1,107	993	1,040	1,034
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT DV		32	36	34	45	60
	SEXUAL ASSAULT			4	1	4	10
	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT				1	1	1
	SHOPLIFTING					1	
	STALKING				7	1	3
	THEFTS		15	20	24	24	24
	THREAT/INTIMIDATE PERSON		49	53	49	52	55
	THREAT/INTIMIDATE PROPERTY		4	5	3	2	2
	BURGLARY		2	1		2	
	ROBBERY		1	2	1	2	1
	VEHICLE BURGLARY			1			
		<b>Total</b>		<b>1,072</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>1,113</b>	<b>1,174</b>

\*Listed in the report are "Associated Crimes" in conjunction with FJC's "Crimes of Interest", which is now capturing every time the Crime of Interest offense type is being classified in all incidents regardless of the offense severity. The total is the number of times the offense occurs and not a representation of the distinct number of police records, as no one record can have multiple of these Crimes of Interest offenses being applied in the same record. For example in 2013, under the Crime of Interest Sexual Abuse category, there are 5 Sexual Assault cases listed, meaning these 5 records have multiple offenses of both Sexual Assault (primary offense) and Sexual Abuse (secondary offense). These 5 records are already accounted for in the total 68 records under the Crime of Interest Sexual Assault category.



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