



## SPD North Precinct Advisory Council

*Expanding Communication between the Police and Community*

### MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

July 6, 2016

Recorded by Nancy Rauhauser

The monthly NPAC meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with Inga Manskopf presiding.

Topics covered:

1. Special Presentation Speaker: Elliot Helmbrecht, Levy Outreach & Accountability Manager, Seattle Department of Transportation
  - a. SDOT Mission - To deliver a high-quality transportation system for Seattle.
  - b. SDOT Vision: A vibrant Seattle with connected people, places, and products.
  - c. Seattle grew 2.3% between 2014 - 2015, the 4th highest growth among the 50 largest US cities. By 2040 population could exceed 5 million. Need a safer, more connected and integrated modern transportation system.
  - d. Priority for choosing projects is getting people from where they live to where they are going (which is often to work). 60% of jobs in the city are in the downtown core. Currently 30-67% (depending on which neighborhood they live in) use single occupancy vehicle to get to work.
  - e. The 9 year, \$930 million Levy to Move Seattle was approved by voters in November 2015. It provides roughly 30% of the city's transportation budget and replaces the 9-year, \$365 Bridging the Gap levy approved by voters in 2006. The funding is allocated to three buckets:
    - i. Safe routes \$207 million
      1. Vision Zero is a plan to end traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2030. See <http://www.seattle.gov/visionzero>
      2. Complete at least 12 safety corridor projects, for streets having the most crashes, such as Lake City Way and Aurora.
      3. Complete 9-12 Safe Routes to School projects each year
      4. Construct 250 blocks of new sidewalk
      5. Improve traffic signals, signs and markings
    - ii. Congestion \$303 million
      1. Build 7 new transit corridors with RapidRide levels of investments
      2. Provide increased access to our light rail network at 3 stations
      3. Improve traffic signal timing
      4. Improve freight mobility
      5. Build protected bike lanes and neighborhood greenways for

improved pedestrian and bike safety

iii. Maintenance & preservation \$420 million

1. Seismically reinforce 16 bridges
2. Repave up to 180 lane miles of streets
3. Replace Fairview Ave Bridge (Ballard Bridge)
4. Replace every tree removed with two new trees to increase Seattle's tree canopy
5. Address flood-prone neighborhoods, such as Broadview

Track progress of major projects at [capitalprojects.seattle.gov](http://capitalprojects.seattle.gov). You can search by city council district, project type and project stage. Also track individual projects at [seattle.gov/transportation/mprojects.htm](http://seattle.gov/transportation/mprojects.htm)

- f. The Northgate pedestrian/bike bridge over I-5 is fully funded; will be an east-west connector to neighborhoods, light rail, North Seattle College and Northgate Mall.
- g. If you have speeding problems on your street, you can borrow a radar gun from SDOT to document the problem. See [seattle.gov/transportation/ntcp\\_calming.htm](http://seattle.gov/transportation/ntcp_calming.htm)
- h. SDOT has master plans for transportation, pedestrians, bicycle, and a draft of a freight master plan.
- i. Citizens can advocate for projects and priorities by participating in open comment periods.
- j. SDOT works closely with other departments, such as Office of Planning and Community Development, KC Metro, etc.

2. Precinct Update: Lt. David Sweeney

- a. Lt. Sweeney is being transferred to the East Precinct. Lt. Greg Sackman will take his place.
- b. June was a good month in crime statistics. In June, larceny was the lowest all year! Same for residential burglary. Vehicle theft and prowling was trending down in June.
- c. Car prowls in apartment building parking garages is a problem; the thief can hit up several cars at a time. Community Police Team is working on this, educating managers and tenants on good practices.
- d. 911 call tip - if you call 911 about a suspicious person, tell the 911 operator **what he/she is doing that looks suspicious**. This provides the deployed officer a clue, and may be probable cause to stop the person.
- e. Extra summer activities do not take patrol officers off the street; overtime is used for events such as 4th of July, Seafair, Fremont Solstice Parade, etc.
- f. Some current emphasis is being given (via overtime) to drug dealing from some Aurora motels, and problem areas of Ballard, University Way, Sandel Park.
- g. City Council heard Chief O'Toole's testimony on the proposed design of the new North Precinct building. There were some questions on the project cost.
- h. Re: patrol response time: officers are deployed to critical 911 calls first, and if all officers are on high-priority calls, lower priority calls are held until someone is available. Also, these days response time is affected by our congested traffic.

3. Crime Prevention Report: Mary Amberg - no report
  - a. Mary will be back on the job July 25th (she's on maternity leave).
4. City Attorney's Office: Brendan Brophy - no report
5. King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office: Luke Larson
  - a. New juvenile court domestic violence diversion program - Family Intervention and Restorative Services (FIRS) is geared toward providing services to families who are struggling with domestic violence. The majority of cases in juvenile court involve kids acting out against their parents or siblings at a misdemeanor level. Family is reluctant to testify against them in court. This program gives kids a 72 hour cooling off period and offers services to the families instead of going to court.
  - b. Check out the KC PAO Facebook page for news and stories.
6. Department of Corrections: Jeff Sargent
  - a. Collaborating with other local agencies on a King County Gang Initiative. Visiting known gang members who are on probation to remind them they are banned from Seafair activities, etc.
  - b. Acting on a tip, found a sex offender on the most wanted list in Lake City area, and arrested him.
7. Community Police Team: Dianne Newsom
  - a. Kipp Strong was promoted to sergeant, will be leaving the CPT, replaced by Brian Kennedy. Dianne handed out an updated map of the CPT assignments (attached).
  - b. The North Precinct Picnic is this Saturday, July 9, 11am - 4 pm at Ballard Commons Park (5701 22nd Ave NW) during Ballard Seafood Fest. Live music, free food, children's activities, door prizes, entertainment, and Dianne's jokes.
  - c. The safe RV park at Shilshole is closing August 30th. Folks in the middle of transitioning to permanent housing will be moved to SoDo and continue the process. Others will be offered help to move into housing if they want it.
  - d. Remember to start collecting socks for our Christmas sock drive.
8. WA Liquor & Cannabis Board: Lucy Peterson
  - a. All marijuana is under one umbrella now - no more medical marijuana stores. Any medical stores not newly licensed are closed or will be closing soon.
9. Committee Reports
  - a. Membership: Michael Cuadra - please give Michael any roster changes.
    - i. We are trying a new meeting sign-in process. Regular members can just initial their name on the pre-printed sheet (it's in order by organization

name). Visitors can sign in on a second sheet to get future agendas and minutes.

- b. Focus Groups - Social Services committee has gone from 6 to 3 members. If you'd like to join it, please contact us at [spd.npac@gmail.com](mailto:spd.npac@gmail.com).

#### 10. Business, Old and New

- a. Andrea Perr is organizing a potluck at Mary's Place, the emergency family shelter at 130th & Stoneway N. It will be the day of our next NPAC meeting, September 7. People can bring food at 5:30 pm, warm it up at the shelter if needed, eat with the folks at 6:00 pm, and then come to the NPAC meeting. If you'd like to sign up or learn more, please contact [spd.npac@gmail.com](mailto:spd.npac@gmail.com) and you will be put in touch with Andrea.
- b. Jessica Chandler is the new SPD research assistant. The updated Micro Community Policing Plans she is working on will be finished soon.

#### 11. Next Month's Agenda

- a. There is no August NPAC meeting. Instead, we encourage you to join your neighbors Tuesday, August 2 for Seattle Night Out, the national crime prevention awareness event. You can register your event at [seattle.gov/police/nightout](http://seattle.gov/police/nightout)

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.