

COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

August 17, 2016

5:30 P.M. TO 6:20 P.M.

EVERETT CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

In attendance: Council member Judy Tuohy, Chair, Council member Brenda Stonecipher, Mayor Stephanson, Katie Rathbun, Chief Dan Templeman, Sgt. John Zeka, Sharon Fuller, Anna Pankevich, Deb Williams.

Audience: Council member Roberts, Council member Franklin and 9 guests.

Introductions made by Chair Tuohy. Audience members are not allowed to participate but are more than welcome to stay and ask their questions at the full council meeting immediately following.

Katie Rathbun provided a one page summary of examples of TNC regulations from Vancouver, Olympia and Tacoma. She identified which cities more closely follow the hybrid model than the traditional model and which cities enacted ordinances that deal exclusively with TNCs and are independent of their taxi regulations, finding that their existing taxi ordinances did not need amending (and that the taxi industry was not looking for a change to their current regulations). After thorough discussion, staff was requested to bring back a draft ordinance which covers both taxi cabs and for hire vehicles, and which follows the hybrid model (such as Vancouver and Olympia's ordinances). Council would like to see a broader more general definition of for hire vehicles. How they would be audited, safety requirements, surge pricing if appropriate, meter versus mileage and time and minors using for hire vehicles.

Everett Police Safe Streets Update – Chief Templeman

Chief Templeman provided update on where the city is with Everett Police Chief Dan Templeman gave a Safe Streets update on the Community Outreach and Enforcement Team. They now have two embedded social workers in place with the newest position filled last week. Sgt. Mike Braley was selected due to his knowledge, skill set and experience to lead this unit along with one officer identified. As budget allows they will fill 3 other officer positions. There was good interest shown for the unit from the Patrol division. The Embedded Social workers have made 100 contacts in just 2 months. This work involves very complicated cases. Their knowledge, expertise and the contacts they developed is vital. Clearly there is a lot more work for just 2 social workers. They will also be looking to provide more formalized training moving forward. The challenge for street level officers is that they do not have the time to dedicate to these complicated cases because they have to respond to 911.

He talked about the department's Crisis Intervention Training Program, which is currently holding its fourth session. This is 40 hours of the class, which is designed to help officers identify people in crisis and help deescalate situations. Currently 54% of the patrol division has been trained to the 40 hours standard. The State only requires 8 hours. Chief Templeman had made this 40 hour training mandatory throughout the department.

3 individuals have been placed in long term treatment through the department's participation in the PAARI (Police Assisted Addiction Recovery Initiative) Program. 5 individuals previously placed prior to department's formal launch in May. Chief Templeman spoke of the success of one individual police

made contact with 32 times. Individual agreed to go in to treatment the 32nd time due to rapport and trust built through continual contact.

The 5 officers who work with this population on a daily basis have made 65 referrals to the Safe Streets Work Crew program since it began last April. Twenty-one have completed the program, which includes 4 days cleaning up garbage, drug addiction education, motivational training and signing up for services.

Chief Templeman concluded his presentation on the department's use of naloxone to prevent overdoses. 471 officers have been trained countywide. 53 lives have been saved throughout the county due to an officer/deputy administering Naloxone to an overdose patient, with 28 of those saves coming from Everett Police Officers.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.