

PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU

FY 2016-17 BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Notes from the BAC meeting on 11-10-2015

In attendance:

- Community Members: Musse Olol (Absent: Barbee Williams, Patrick Gortmaker)
- Portland Public Schools: George Weatheroy
- Portland Police Association: Tom Perkins (for Daryl Turner)
- Mayor's Office: Deanna Wesson- Mitchell
- City Budget Office: Christy Owen
- Police Bureau: Chief O'Dea, Assistant Chief Crebs, Bob Del Gizzi, Catherine Reiland, Kezia Wanner, Elle Weatheroy

A/C Crebs presented a welcome to the committee.

FY 2015-16 Budget

Bob Del Gizzi presented updates on the FY2015-16 budget packages.

George also asked about the intended use of the Kelly Building property now that the parking lot segment has been purchased. The Chief said that there were no specific intended uses at this point, but thinking about options.

Musse asked what the GIFT program was that the bureau received funding for in the current year. Deanna explained that it was funding to pass through to support gang-impacted families.

Smart Phone Technology. Several of the BAC members discussed the inadequacy of the current flip phones which are largely in use by the officers. George specifically stated that GET and the SROs need smart phones to perform their duties. The Chief said that the phone deployment is a priority for him.

The Chief talked about the spending slowdown in the current year, and staffing strategies in an attempt to bring down spending and come in under budget.

George asked if there was salary savings from the 40 vacant positions currently. The Chief stated that the savings were eaten away by having to hire officers on OT to backfill for the vacant positions, at time and a half.

FY 2015-16 Fall BMP

Catherine reviewed the Fall BMP list of requests and likely funded items.

FY 2016-17 Budget

Catherine Reiland discussed the FY 2016-17 budget direction, which includes a possible 5% reduction to General Fund Bureaus. George Weatheroy mentioned that having to make position reductions would be detrimental to organizational morale.

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Deanna asked what the 5% reductions would operationally look like, if we were directed to do that exercise in the FY 2016-17 budget process. The Chief said that they would likely include specialized functions. The Chief would be prioritizing core patrol and core investigative functions.

Christy stated that the cutting of positions will impact the Key Performance Measures that are valued by Council and suggested discussing those impacts.

Next meeting

Focus discussion on prioritized work that has to be done and which sworn positions are logical candidates to civilianize. The Chief said he would specifically like to look at adding two Internal Affairs Division positions, Sexual Assault Detail staff, and a cultural community liaison in FY 2016-17, as well as asking for 20 additional Police Officer positions.