

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM  
PUBLIC SECURITY COMMITTEE  
1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 1000  
San Diego, CA 92101

October 17, 2018

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. McWhirter called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. A roll call sheet listing Public Security Committee members' attendance is attached.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Before proceeding to the approval of the minutes, a correction needed to be made, per Chief Guaderrama in item number 4 - Election of Vice-Chairman where it says "Mr. Ruiz" seconded the motion; it should read "Mr. Diaz" instead. The Committee members agreed with the amendment.

Mr. McWhirter then moved to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2018 Public Security Meeting. Mr. Sandke seconded the motion and the vote was 4 in favor with Mr. Hall absent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. MTS SEMI-ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

Chief Guaderrama welcomed the committee members and proceeded with a PowerPoint presentation reflecting the Semi-Annual Security Report from January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018.

The introduction of the presentation (first slide) revealed the Transit Enforcement Components:

- 1) Code Compliance Inspectors (Public Officers with Powers of Arrest)
- 2) Contract Security Officers (Transit Systems Security)
- 3) Joint Agency Task Force (JATF)

The rest of the slides (2 through 27) included the MTS Sector/Beat Map, Part I and Part II Crime statistics (Trolley and Bus), enforcement statistics, including the Joint Agency Taskforce statistics, Copper Wire Thefts, etc. Operation East Village, a collaborative effort with the San Diego Police Department to reduce crime in the metro area, was also highlighted.

Early in the meeting, Mr. Sandke asked how many of the assaults on the system involved employees. Slide 17 listed the total of number of assaults (simple and aggravated) and showed that 52 out of a total number of 86 assaults involved employees as victims.

Chief Guaderrama responded to various questions inquired by the committee members (e.g., regarding fare details/fines, copper wire incidents and legal prosecution of suspects if they get arrested). Discussions about the security contract and future challenges were also discussed.

The Semi-Annual security report was very well received by the committee members; it will be presented to the Board Meeting in November 2018.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Committee members commented about the after school loitering issues that have occurred in different trolley/bus stations in the metro area. Chief Guaderrama mentioned that high uniform presence is essential (MTS officers are assigned daily) but more school personnel will be implemented in the City College/downtown stations in order to help deter the loitering issues and help the school kids get to the trolley and bus stations safely.

In general, station video surveillance and officers' personal body cameras have been essential tools for MTS; especially when dealing with lawsuits that, in many cases, after a thorough investigation the claim happens to be false.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

Next meeting is to be determined based on the members' availability.

7. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:30 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Monica Montgomery  
Chairperson

Attachment: A. Roll Call Sheet

PUBLIC SECURITY COMMITTEE  
SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM  
ROLL CALL

MEETING OF: October 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: 1:32 p.m.

ADJOURN: 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBER	PRESENT (TIME ARRIVED)	ABSENT (TIME LEFT)
MCWHIRTER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1:25 p.m.	2:30 p.m.
SANDKE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1:10 p.m.	2:30 p.m.
COLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m.
DIAZ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1:20 p.m.	2:30 p.m.
HALL <input type="checkbox"/>	ABSENT	2:30 p.m.

SIGNED BY ROXANA F. BAEZA:

Roxana F. Baeza

CONFIRMED BY MANNY GUADERRAMA:

M. E. Guaderrama

c: Clerk of the Committee  
Accounts Payable  
Attachment to Original and Draft Minutes