

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

October 26, 2017

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. McWhirter called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Public Security Committee members' attendance is attached.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. McWhirter moved to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2017, Public Security Committee meeting. Mr. Sandke seconded the motion, and the vote was 3 in favor with Mr. Cunningham and Ms. Cole absent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. MTS SEMI-ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

The Committee members were introduced to the following personnel who are currently working under Chief Guaderrama in the Security Department: Tim Curran (Deputy Director), Rachelle Dziubczynski (Records Manager), Brian McKeever (Operations Manager), and Roxana Baeza (Clerk of the Committee).

Chief Guaderrama then proceeded with a PowerPoint presentation reflecting the Semi-Annual Security Report from January 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2017; it included Trolley and Bus Crime Statistics as well as staffing changes and improvements in Security Enforcement Operations.

Following are some of the relevant topics that were discussed while the presentation was being reviewed:

- Transit Enforcement Components (Code Compliance Inspectors, Contract Security and Joint Agency Task Force).
- Service Sector/Beat Structure Implementation – A map was displayed for better understanding; a very positive feedback from riders has been received as result of this implementation.
- Part I Reported Crimes (ARJIS statistics and MTS responses) – There was a 32% reduction in Part I crimes (Trolley) compared to 2016 statistics.

- MTS Response to Part II Crimes: Trolley – The majority of the cases were for vandalism followed by Drunk in Public.
- Calls for Service (Bus) decreased (227 in 2016 vs. 171 in 2017). The top three call types are disturbance calls, vandalism and assaults.
- MTS response to Part I and Part II Crimes (Bus) – There was a significant decline compared to 2016 statistics.
- Assaults (Part I and Part II – Trolley and Bus) – MTS responded to 88 assaults of which 50 of those were on MTS employees.
- Fare Inspections slightly declined (2.2%) but there was a 61.4% in the number of citations issued in 2017 (12,549 in 2016 vs. 20,249 in 2017); citations get entered in ARJIS system. The top three violations are Fare Evasion, Smoking and Failure to Comply.
- Special Enforcement Details (SEDs) - Trolley – The Code compliance officers conducted 21 controlled SEDs during the first half of 2017 with a fare evasion rate of 2.96%.
- Thirteen large scale Transient Encampment Details and 49 mini-details were conducted to address illegal lodging and other nuisance quality-of-life concerns on MTS properties.

The semi-annual security report was very well received by the committee members; a job well done.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. McWhirter mentioned that any company would be thrilled to hear about the MTS Semi-Annual Security report since incidents are going down and all efforts are being made in order to minimize accidents. In response to a question from Mr. Mathis, Chief Guaderrama mentioned that the beat structure implementation will be adjusted accordingly since more trains will eventually be put in service in the near future.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

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

7. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:55 a.m. the meeting was adjourned.



Chairman – Guy McWhirter

Attachment: A. Roll Call Sheet