

# Meeting Minutes

## Resident Bond Public Safety Subcommittee

### Regular Meeting

October 9, 2024 | 3:30 p.m.  
Chandler Police Department  
250 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Donovan at 3:35 p.m.

### Roll Call

#### Subcommittee Attendance

Chair Trinity Donovan  
Bill Crawford  
Shannon Portillo  
Cicely Rocha - Miller  
Charles Schinke  
Michael Simon  
Nora Ellen

#### Staff Attendance

Bryan Chapman, Police Chief  
Dave Ramer, Assistant Police Chief  
Jason Sieczkowski, Assistant Police Chief  
Julie Buelt, Planning and Research Manager  
Sandip Dholakia, City IT Director  
Chris Nevin, Sergeant  
Alicia Rosenberg, Forensics Manager  
Cassandra Gutenson, Management Assistant

### Action Agenda Item No. 1

1. September 25, 2024 Resident Bond Public Safety Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
Move Resident Bond Public Safety Subcommittee approve the meeting minutes of the September 25, 2024, Regular Meeting.

### Action Agenda Item No. 1 Motion and Vote

Chair Donovan moved to approve the meeting minutes of the September 25, 2024, Regular Meeting; Seconded by Subcommittee Member Ellen and Seconded by Subcommittee Member Crawford.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

### Discussion

## 2. Subcommittee members toured the Downtown Precinct Building

Meeting called back to order following the tour at 4:19 p.m.

BRYAN CHAPMAN, Police Chief, led the subcommittee members on a tour of the Downtown Precinct building at 250 E Chicago St., Chandler.

## 3. Police Department Projects Presentation

CHAIR DONOVAN introduced the discussion item and called for a staff presentation.

BRYAN CHAPMAN, Police Chief, gave the following presentation:

- Police Department Projects
  - Forensic Facility Site
  - Emergency Replacement Vehicles

BRYAN CHAPMAN, Police Chief, also discussed Police Communications Radio needs for the next lifecycle.

CHARLES SCHINKE, Subcommittee Member asked: How many other cities have their own self-contained labs? ALICIA ROSENBERG, Forensics Manager advised Mesa, Scottsdale, Phoenix, and Glendale all have their own full-service labs. A few other cities offer some services in-house. Arizona Department of Public Safety has also made a hard line on accepting services for things that we are accredited to process ourselves.

CHAIR DONOVAN – Will we have a backlog of items that we don't have the ability to test now?

ALICIA ROSENBERG – DNA degrades over time, and we would not have the ability to handle the backlog. We would have to start and move forward from the point of the new lab.

CICELY ROCHA-MILLER, Subcommittee Member – with the move of the lab, would there be funding to outfit the old lab area for the move of the Real Time Crime Center (RTCC)? JULIE BUELT, Planning and Research Manager – Yes, that would be funded through the bond appropriations for the downtown precinct renovation.

CICELY ROCHA-MILLER – With us being the City of Innovation, what about the new lab should make us most excited? ALICIA ROSENBERG – DNA processing will have a greater impact on crime and be a game changer for our city. CHIEF CHAPMAN – we know that a small number of criminals perpetuate a large amount of crime, this will help us link crime series to specific suspects.

SHANNON PORTILLO, Subcommittee Member – Some of the specialty SWAT vehicles look very militarized, can you tell us about the usage of these vehicles and why they are necessary. CHIEF CHAPMAN – When we do search warrants on violent offenders and predators, these vehicles allow us to enter these operations safely. We also assist other agencies as needed, in their operations.



While they appear very militarized, these vehicles are used to assist us in deescalating situations and help us to peacefully resolve incidents with the potential for violence.

BILL CRAWFORD, Subcommittee Member – Are we looking at using drones in our RTCC as a first responder? CHRIS NEVIN, Police Sergeant – Yes, that is absolutely an element that we are planning on implementing. Sergeant Nevin explained how this would look as an element of our RTCC. CHIEF CHAPMAN – We have a lot of work to do to make this a reality due to FAA regulations and other considerations, but this is something we are actively working toward.

NORA ELLEN, Subcommittee Member – When a call comes in, how does it work between the Fire Department and Police Department on determining who responds? CHIEF CHAPMAN explained the call triage between 911 coming into our dispatch center and transferring to the appropriate agency, if it is not the Chandler Police Department. Nora Ellen – How do call locations get identified with cell phones? Chief Chapman explained the basics of how cell tower geolocation works in the 911 system.

NORA ELLEN – Do we sell our retired vehicles to other cities? JULIE BUELT – They get sent to surplus and they are auctioned off to the public.

CHAIR DONOVAN – What we will see in the bond, will that cover the whole renovation of this building (the Downtown Precinct building)? Chief Chapman – That is the intention. Julie Buelt – Once the lab is able to move out of this building, we will be able to begin the process of this renovation. Depending on how long that takes, will affect whether the bond appropriation will be sufficient to cover the entire renovation. It will probably be about five years before we can begin on this building.

MICHAEL SIMON, Subcommittee Member – will there be a negative financial impact with the gap in services and new equipment for the new lab? CHIEF CHAPMAN – The original bond (2021) has appropriations for the new equipment for the lab.

CHAIR DONOVAN asked SANDIP DHOLAKIA, City IT Director to explain to the Bond Facilities Subcommittee how what they learned on the tour today would impact their subcommittee and that they would have further conversation about that at their subcommittee meeting.

## **Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

## **Calendar**

The next Resident Bond Public Safety Subcommittee meeting date is to be decided. There will be a tour held on October 30, 2024, at 3 p.m. in the Chandler Fire Department, 151 E. Boston Street, Chandler, Arizona.

## Adjourn

NORA ELLEN motioned to adjourn, and CICELY ROCHA-MILLER seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 p.m.



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Cassandra Gutenson, Secretary



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Trinity Donovan, Chair