

2016 Annual Report

Board or Commission: Choose an item.

- I. **2016 Goals and Key Initiatives:** Provide a progress report on your 2016 goals and list the most significant activities undertaken in 2016.

Among the goals of the Police Advisory Commission are enhancing awareness of the police department and promoting exchanges between the police department and the community. Towards this end, in 2016 the Police Advisory Commission:

1. Participated in activities such as the Children First Ice Cream Social and Parktacular where informational literature was distributed. Commissioners also hosted block parties for National Night Out.
2. Participated in joint meetings with the Human Rights Commission and Multicultural Advisory Committee resulting in the Friends of the Arts Our Town Sings event on July 19. Commissioners also attended a joint informational meeting with the HRC and MAC on the Cities Race and Equity initiative.
3. Assisted in interviewing candidates for open police officer positions.
4. Assisted in organizing and staffing the 10th annual Crime Prevention Fund Golf Tournament which raised \$10,935 for the Crime Prevention Fund - more than double the previous year.
5. Welcomed four new commissioners with an introductory tour of the police department and discussion of commission objectives and roles. We currently have seven commissioners out of a full complement of eleven. The terms of three commissioners end in May this year.
6. Assisted in the recruiting process for a new Chief of Police.
7. Organized a Citizens Academy which met for eight weeks during the fall. Two members of the committee attended and evaluated these sessions.
8. Produced a public service announcement on school bus safety.
9. Began discussions to evaluate the community desire for the use of body worn cameras by the police department.

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- II. 2017 Goals:** List your board/commission's most important goals (up to 3) for 2017. These goals should be statements that reflect the board/commission's highest priorities, which may or may not change from year-to-year.
1. Work with the new Chief of Police to identify new activities and priorities for the commission to help fulfill their vision, mission, and goals for the department.
 2. Continue to participate in community events to promote the police department's mission, such as the Children First Ice Cream Social, National Night Out, Crime Prevention Fund Golf Tournament, public safety videos Citizen's Academy and collaborative activities with other commissions.
 3. Discuss and provide input on the use of body cameras by SLP police. If the decision to use body cameras is made, provide input into the policies and procedures regarding their use.
- III. 2017 Key Initiatives/Activities:** For each goal listed above, list 1-2 key initiatives or activities that the Board/Commission will working on in 2017 that will help make progress toward that particular goal.
1. Work with the new Chief of Police to identify new activities and priorities for the commission to help it fulfill its mission, vision and goals.
 - Invite the new Chief of Police to Police Advisory Commission meetings, or arrange for personal meetings with the new Chief
 - From these meetings, develop a list of meaningful interactions between the commission and the police department to assist with the Chief's vision and goals for the department
 - Provide community input on the future of policing in St. Louis Park

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2. Continue to participate in community events to promote the police department's mission, such as the Children First Ice Cream Social, National Night Out, Crime Prevention Fund Gold Tournament, public safety videos, Citizen's Academy and collaborative activities with other commissions.
 - Recruit new members for the commission
 - Identify community events that assist in promoting the police departments mission
 - During the regular commission meetings, identify who will participate in upcoming events and in what capacity

3. Discuss and provide input on the use of body cameras by SLP police. If the decision to use body cameras is made, provide input into the policies and procedures regarding their use
 - Work with the HRC and MAC to engage community members for their thoughts on the need for our department to implement body warn cameras
 - Provide Council with a position on the communities desire for our department to implement body warn cameras
 - If the department moves forward with a body camera program, provide research and community input on policy and procedures for their use