

Board of Supervisors
Safety and Security Committee

March 12, 2024 at 3 PM
Government Center Conference Room 11

Board of Supervisors (Board) Members present:

Rodney Lusk, Franconia District (Committee Chair) – In Person

James Walkinshaw, Braddock District (Vice Chair) – In Person

Jeff McKay, Chairman – In Person

James Bierman, Dranesville District – In Person

Walter Alcorn, Hunter Mill District – In Person

Andres Jimenez, Mason District – In Person

Dan Storck, Mount Vernon District – In Person

Dalia Palchik, Providence District – In Person

Pat Herrity, Springfield District – In Person

Kathy Smith, Sully District – In Person

The Safety and Security Committee (Committee) meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

FCPD Data Informed Policing: 3:02 p.m.

Kevin Davis, Chief of Police, presented on the use of data informed policing. Chief Davis shared an overview of 2023 countywide crime trends, and that Fairfax County had the lowest violent crime rate by jurisdiction of similar size in 2023. Chief Davis noted the areas of increase in crime and efforts to address the trend.

Data informed policing was highlighted in the use of officer presence at shopping malls during the holiday season, the use of the Auto Crimes Enforcement team to apprehend auto theft offenders, and the use of proactive high visibility traffic enforcement to reduce pedestrian fatalities. The FCPD is collaborating with other county entities to review pedestrian fatalities and significant injuries to further address the issue as the trend continues.

The new crime dashboard was discussed to provide near real-time data by demographics and location on a station level basis. The dashboard will debut soon, provide transparency to the community on criminal activity, and will be available on computer and mobile devices.

Board members shared their appreciation for the 2023 update. Discussion ensued with input from all supervisors on regional crime trends impacting Fairfax County and the new crime dashboard.

FCPD Technology in Policing: 3:53 p.m.

Kevin Davis, Chief of Police, presented on the use of technology in FCPD policing. Chief Davis provided an overview of technologies utilized by FCPD and the oversight of such technologies including community outreach and dialogue.

Chief Davis then highlighted the License Plate Reader (LPR) results for 2023 showing the technology assisted in 384 cases. Chief Davis then discussed the Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) as a centralized location for the use of police technology. The RTCC will increase regional awareness of crime trends and assist in building a regional collaborative response. The next technology discussed was the use of the automated program Truleo to process and review all body worn camera audio. The system is in the process of deployment and will assist in identifying videos for further review to ensure officers are delivering quality service. Last discussed was the use of the community engagement tool My90. My90 surveys community members who had an interaction with the police to obtain their feedback on officer and FCPD performance.

Discussion ensued with input from all supervisors to review the technology in a responsible way. Members asked questions about the technology, the timeline for the implementation of technology, and possible other technology to be implemented.

Additional Information: N/A

The Committee meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.