

## LWVE Observer Report

**Committee:** Human Services

**Date:** June 4, 2018

**Observer:** Eileen Lowery

**Meeting began:** 8:25 p.m.

**Meeting Ended:** 9:25 p.m.

**Aldermen Present:** Revelle (Chair), Fiske, Rue Simmons and Fleming; **Absent:** Braithwaite

**Staff Present:** Atty Mario Treto, Nicola Whyte, Wally Bobkiewicz, Lawrence Hemingway, Deputy Chief Pickett and Commander Wright

**Media Present:** EvanstonNow, Evanston Round Table

**Citizen Comment:** There were 5 commenters; 3 had comments on a variety of topics; 2 commented about the Citizen Police Complaint Assessment Committee to be completed in October and offered ongoing support.

Chief Eddington shared details about the Gun Buyback event, this Saturday, June 6, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Christ Temple MB Church, 1711 Simpson St., Evanston. The department is partnering with Moms Demand Action of Evanston for the event. Guns must be unloaded and operational, must be complete and functional. Weapons should be transported in a case, bag, box, or other supporting item or in the trunk of a vehicle. Must have ID and be a resident of Evanston, Skokie or the north side of Chicago. This event is amnesty-based, no arrests. First come, first served. \$100 cash for payment. If you have questions about the event, please call/text 847-448-4311 or 311 in Evanston.

### **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

#### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**(HH1) Police Issues Work Plan Update** 59 Officers have completed Crisis Intervention training, 2 remaining officers will be trained in June.

**(HH2) Police Department Budget and Staffing Review** Staff requests the Human Services Committee receive an oral report from the City Manager and Chief of Police regarding the Evanston Police Department's (EPD) budget and staffing, and provide direction on next steps on the review process in preparation of the FY2019 Proposed Budget. Mr. Bobkiewicz discussed four components requested for discussion/direction: 1) \$25,000 funds for a proposed management external audit to review scope of work for EPD – Administrative/Community Services Functions; 2) a proposed internal review of the Investigative Services Division 3) an internal review of EPD's overtime spending; and 4) an internal review of Patrol/Commander/Sergeant assignments within the EPD which includes the review of a review of a new model of dividing command responsibilities into three sections of the City verses the current shift model for command assignments. Mr. Bobkiewicz will return to report

on audits and internal reviews.

**(HH3) Review of Police Complaints** Commander Wright reported that the department is successfully moving forward with the new complaint form suggested by the Citizen Police Complaint Assessment Committee. Questioned by Ald. Fleming, Commander Wright stated that upon completion a letter is sent to complainant with information about meeting dates and forms.

**(HH4) Arrest Records Inquiries** Memorandum from Mario Treto was discussed. There is no statutory requirement that arrest records be posted on line. The committee unanimously recommended that arrest records be taken off the website; hence they will no longer show up in google searches. And in compliance with Illinois statutes the following procedures will remain in place: the daily crime bulletins are available by signing up to receive them via daily emails and individual arrest reports are available upon request.

#### **ITEMS FOR COMMUNICATION**

**(HH5) City of Evanston/ Youth Job Center (YJC) – 2012 to 2018 Building Career Pathways to Sustainable Employment Program Report** Lawrence Hemingway introduced Karen Tollenaar Demorest, Executive Director and Len Felton, Career Pathways Advisor who provided highlights of the report in meeting packet and reminded the committee that funds from the city are help to leverage other funding from other funders. They introduced one of the clients who shared his successes as a result of participating in the program.