

Law Enforcement Advisory Board Meeting August 12, 2020 via ZOOM

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	Paul Soptick
	Scott Mackey
X	Reed Partridge
	Lt Col Bob Gunja
X	LaRon Thompson
	Don Jolley
	Tony Carter
	Maria Cecilia Ysaac
X	Irene Caudillo
	Don Ash
	Mary Hopkins
	Joan DeMoss
	Dan Soptic
	Jeffry Fewell
	Michael York
	Terry Brockman
X	Kevin Steele
	David Thaxton
X	Lynn Melton
	JONAS CRUZ
	Larry Roland
X	Pam Waldeck
	Casey Meyer
	Kent Anderson

Asst Chief Pam Waldeck opened the ZOOM meeting at 4:00pm

LaRon Thompson was introduced as a new member of the LEAB .

Irene Caudillo asked Chief Waldeck to describe the KCKDP's response to COVID-19 as it relates to enforcement of County and State directives. Chief Waldeck described KCKPD protocols related to contact with citizens and noted that enforcement included and emphasis on education.

Chief Waldeck reported that authorized sworn strength of KCKPD was decreased from 369 to 345 due to budget amendments.

Chief Waldeck reported that Chief York continues to participate in the Mayor's Task Force on policing.

Chief Waldeck reported that violent crime has increased and in particular drive by shootings have increased. As a result, Chief York created a Task Force to address drive by shootings which includes a rapid response by KCKPD Detectives.

Chief Waldeck reported that body worn cameras should be deployed in the Midtown Division in approximately 45 days.

LaRon Thompson asked if the BWC program will include an audit function. Chief Waldeck reported the audit function has not been fully funded and KCKPD will have to adjust its audit and review plan to accommodate budget realities.

LaRon Thompson asked if the current environment has increased retirements. Chief Waldeck reported that KCKPD did not have data but supposed that the current environment as well as COVID-19 has had an impact on KCKPD retirements.

Reed Partridge updated the LEAB on reports issued since the February 2020 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45.