



## Minutes Tempe Family Justice Commission September 18, 2018

Minutes of the TEMPE FAMILY JUSTICE COMMISSION held on Tuesday, September 18, 6:00 p.m., at the Tempe, Public Library, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room 3500 South Rural Road, Tempe, Arizona.

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley, Vice-Chair  
Angel Carbajal  
Ilene Dode  
Patrick Foster  
William Graham  
Judith Homer  
Beatrice “Bunny” Kastenbaum  
Mary O’Grady  
Jill Oliver  
Kristen Scharlau

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Karyn Lathan, Chair

**City Staff Present:**

Naomi Farrell, Human Services Director  
Aaron Peterson, Strategic Management Analyst

**Guests Present:**

Sydney Higgins, Presenter

**Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order**

Vice-Chair Margaret “Peggy” Tinsley called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

**Agenda Item 2 - Attendance**

**Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances**

No public appearances

**Agenda Item 4 – Chair Remarks**

Chair Karyn Lathan was not present.

**Agenda Item 5 – Guest Speaker – Ms. Sydney Higgins**

Ms. Higgins shared a personal experience as a victim of stalking with the Commission.

### **Agenda Item 6 – Review and Approve 2019 Strategic Plan**

The Commission discussed, reviewed and provided further edits to the Strategic Plan structure and format. Commission Member Ilene Dode noted she will not be present for the October meeting and will provide edits to Human Services Deputy Director, Paul Bentley.

### **Agenda Item 7 – 2018 Board and Commission Annual Report – Tabled for next meeting**

- 2018 Accomplishments Discussion

### **Agenda Item 8 – Police Department Update**

Tempe Police recently solved two sexual assault cold-cases (1993 & 1999). Commission Member Angel Carbajal I advised the commission the Tempe Police Department impounded 102 sexual assault kits, submitted 93 to the lab and of the 9 remaining, 1 was unfounded (proven it did not occur), 1 was designated as no crime occurring and 7 where Tempe Police had victim's that were unwilling to cooperate with investigators. The Commission requested clarification on defining "unwilling to cooperate", Angel will provide further information at the October Commission meeting.

On October 16<sup>th</sup>, Chief Moir will present CARE7 with an award for their efforts and the support they have provided the community.

### **Agenda Item 9 – CARE7 Update**

Recently, CARE7 presented to the Human Services Executive Team on acquiring a service animal and was approved. The new Victim Services unit of CARE7 is hiring staff and will be launching in October.

### **Agenda Item 10 - Adjournment**

Next meeting will be on October 16, 2018

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Karyn Lathan, Chair