

Public Safety Meeting
March 26, 2008
Agenda Item #071556

Communication Relating Parental Responsibility Ordinance

MPD Presentation:

Deputy Inspector Mary Hoerig

Status Update:

MPD receives quarterly updates from Municipal Court staff on Juveniles who have reached the number of required convictions within the time specified by city ordinance.

The data is formatted for dissemination to the Districts by Data Services. The document in its current format is cumbersome and an effort is ongoing to make the data product more user-friendly.

MPD has requested the City Atty's office create some guidelines on how the officers should structure the citations. Included in the guidelines would be instruction on the elements that need to be articulated on the citation, addressing the potential defenses that are inherent in the ordinance language, and the questions or scenarios that need to be addressed to ensure issuance of the charge and successful prosecution.

The guidelines will be distributed to the work locations. An effort will be made to provide the officers with a brief instruction on the issuance and drafting of a prosecutable citation at the next academy legal update.

Statistical Information (July 2007-February 2008):

Total Citations Issued Citywide: **97**

District 1	0
District 2	32
District 3	6
District 4	12
District 5	23
District 6	12
District 7	10
<u>Other</u>	<u>2</u>
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