

## **Crime/drug free rental ordinance workgroup meeting summary: April 24, 2019, 6:00 to 7:30 PM**

10 of 13 members in attendance

Absent: Bernadette Hornig, Linda Trummer and Judith Onsomu

Staff present: Chief Harcey, Michele Schnitker, Marney Olson, Ann Boettcher, Cathy Bennett, and Lieutenant Garland

Chief Harcey welcomed the workgroup members. Following introductions the group discussed the goals and expectations of the workgroup and reviewed meeting rules.

Lieutenant Garland did an overview of the ordinance reviewing the history behind the ordinance and provisions in the ordinance.

A clarification was provided that the ordinance requires in some instances that the landlord terminate the tenancy of the tenant which in turn terminate the contractual lease agreement between the owner and the tenant. The ordinance does not require that the owner file an unlawful court action to terminate the tenancy.

A question was asked regarding whether there was a written procedure in place for the review of the violation reports within the police department. Lt. Garland stated that there was no written procedure and described the process and criteria used to review the reports.

A question arose regarding mediation. Mediation is an option for an owner/manager and tenant at any time and is a component of the crime free training. The crime free/drug free ordinance includes a provision where the owner may appeal the notice of violation to the city manager. Mediation is not the approved process for overturning a violation notice from the city although results of mediation may be considered during the appeal process.

Requests for additional information/data include:

- A copy of the workgroup roster to the members.
- A copy of the purpose of the workgroup and the 4 tasks assigned.
- The number of appeals and the outcomes of the appeals.
- Number of crimes committed by homeowners.
- Demographics of renters.
- Information related to what other crime free ordinances was the SLP ordinance modeled after.

- How many lease terminations have there been? Have they occurred in any particular developments?
- Can the number of disorderly calls and lease terminations in the city be geographically mapped?
- How many provisional licenses have been issued? **Only one**
- Do we know the number of mutually agreeable lease terminations that have occurred in response to a crime free notification letter requiring that the tenancy be terminated?

Information related to these requests will be provided at the May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.