

Mid City Security District Minutes

Board Meeting of July 16, 2026, 6:00 P.M.
The Cannery, 3803 Toulouse Street, New Orleans LA

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Wendy Laker called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with a roll call of participants which established a quorum.

2. Board Member Roll Call:

Commissioners Present: Jonathan Fox, Al Williams, Robert Rivard, Corbett Scott and Wendy Laker

Commissioners Absent: Charley Richard and Darby Shields

Bob Rivard was designated as ad-hoc Secretary for the meeting as Darby Shields was absent.

3. Presenters: Sgt. Alfred Russell, MCSD/NOPD Full Time Coordinator; Sudie Joint, CPA, MCSD accountant; and Santiago St. Clair, Allied Universal Security Services

4. Guests: Ms. Jasmine, Michael Hicks & Kimball Schafly

5. Al Williams moved to table approval of the Previous Board Meeting Minutes as only two of the commissioners at tonight's meeting were at the last meeting. Wendy Laker seconded and the motion passed.

6. Financial Report:

Sudie Joint, CPA, presented the June 2026 Financials, the June 2026 General Ledger, and the July 2026 Invoices and checks. We also discussed the current statements as compared to the 2026 Budget.

Sudie Joint said that she would send itemized NOPD worksheets with future invoices, omitting the names of officers.

Sudie reported that new checks had been ordered and received, but there was a discrepancy in the numbering so that new checks will be ordered.

Sudie indicated that most of the accounts payable are a result of the millage dispute with the city, whose claim is now at about \$486,000.

The financials show that NOPD expenditures are about \$50,000 in excess of what was budgeted. Allied Universal appear to be as budgeted. Despite being in excess of the budgeted amounts, Sudie indicated that MCSD will still have a surplus for 2026.

An initial draft of the 2027 Budget was presented by Sudie for discussion purposes. Some modifications were suggested, including:

- ▶ Increase the amount budgeted for patrols;
- ▶ Increase amount budgeted for automobiles;
- ▶ Increase the amount budgeted for professional services.

The next meeting will be the annual budget hearing and public notice would be timely published in accordance with law.

6. . Crime Reports:

Santiago St. Clair presented the reports for Allied Universal:

Increase in vagrancy events, report of indecent exposure/public urination. There was one issue regarding an escort request which has been addressed. Jon asked that Allied Universal be more responsive to emails from him and Santiago said that he would improve the response time. Ms. Jasmine had a question about what constituted vagrancy and that spending time in public areas to utilize available open WiFi networks should not be restricted.

Sgt. Alfred Russell presented the crime reports for the MCSD patrols. Reports reflected that most crimes against the person were down from the same period last year; among property crimes, shopliftings are on the rise, auto thefts are down.

7. Committee Reports:

Camera Program Committee

Bob Rivard distributed the Camera Committee report prepared and emailed by Darby Shields. This indicated that a camera is operational at 935 Picheloup Place and that we are looking at 537 Genois Street and 3823 Iberville. New requests for cameras have been received and, in conjunction with the Private Patrol Oversight Committee we are trying to work out an agreement whereby alerts will be monitored by Allied Universal.

Also distributed was a budget for the program in 2027 which reflected an increase of \$5,280.00 over what was budgeted for 2026.

Private Patrol Oversight Committee

Corbett Scott reported that, in addition to the work being done in conjunction with the Camera Program Committee, they are also working with Allied Universal which wants to get a longer term contract in place.

App Committee

Nothing new to report.

Vehicle Committee

Nothing new to report.

Outreach Committee

Wendy noted that Sgt. Russell attended and answered questions at the last MCNO general meeting, at the request of MCNO.

Ad Hoc Organization Committee Report

Bob Rivard distributed the final draft of the by-laws with the final modifications recommended by Charley Richards and Jon Fox, as emailed by Jon on June 10, 2026. Al Williams seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. These would be passed on to Mia for posting both on the MCSD website and the state's website for Boards and Commissions where the minutes are posted.

No other committee reports; there were public comments expressing concerns about a lack in security at the Lindy Boggs site.

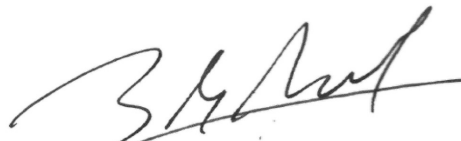
Wendy Laker moved to adjourn; the motion was seconded.

Next Meeting will be on Thursday, August 20, 2026.

CERTIFICATE

As ad-hoc Secretary of the Mid-City Security District, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes duly and legally adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Mid-City Security District, after due notice, and that said minutes have not been rescinded.

WITNESS, my signature, this 20th day of August, 2026.



Robert Rivard, Secretary ad hoc for July 16, 2026.