

STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDER

LOUD MUSIC AND PARTY CALLS
SUBJECT

DATE: August 12, 2016

NO: P-25

FROM: CHIEF ERIC JONES

TO: ALL PERSONNEL

INDEX: Loud Music
Parties

I. POLICY

If reports of large parties are monitored in the early development stages, it is believed that a significant amount of problems and serious crimes may be thwarted.

Reports of crowd gatherings and/or party calls (typically classified as a type of 415, 415L, or 415E calls) will be monitored by the Telecommunications Center, Watch Commander, and Patrol Sergeants to ensure that the best possible deployment response is made by the Department.

II. PROCEDURE

A. TELECOMMUNICATIONS CENTER

1. Any report of a crowd gathering or party which has held thirty (30) minutes or more without a response will be brought to the attention of the appropriate on-duty Watch Commander by a member of the Telecommunications Center.
2. Any report of a crowd gathering or party with three (3) or more separate reporting parties, regardless of the amount of time the call is held pending, will be brought to the attention of the appropriate on-duty Watch Commander by a member of the Telecommunications Center.
3. Any report of a crowd gathering or party where the circumstances seem reasonably exigent (i.e., reports of violence or other dangerous behavior), regardless of the amount of time the call is held pending, will be brought to the attention of the appropriate on-duty Watch Commander by a member of the Telecommunications Center.

B. WATCH COMMANDER

1. When the Watch Commander is notified of one of the above circumstances, the Watch Commander will be responsible for assigning a Patrol Sergeant to assess the call and determine whether the situation necessitates an immediate response.

C. PATROL SERGEANT

1. The Patrol Sergeant will consider and coordinate the type of response based on a variety of tools and options; e.g.:
 - (a) What deployment tools can be utilized to determine an immediate patrol unit response?
 - (b) Can a police unit break and/or respond to the location?
 - (c) Should the Sergeant respond to check the location?
 - (d) Can a reporting party be called back to obtain an update on the call?
 - (e) Based on other circumstances, will the call still have to be held as pending? (If this is the case, a notation will be placed in the call history.)

2. The Patrol Sergeant will ensure the proper action is taken at the call location in an effort to prevent continued problems, ensure the safety of the public, address juvenile underage drinking issues, and prevent violent crimes or other crimes.