



Meeting Minutes - Draft

General Government Committee

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Wednesday, October 25, 2017

5:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Roe called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Chair Jeannine Roe, Committee member Jessica Bateman and Committee member Clark Gilman

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.A** [17-1093](#) Approval of October 6, 2017 General Government Committee Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

5. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- 5.A** [17-1088](#) Update on Public Safety/Olympia Police Department

Olympia Police Department (OPD) Deputy Police Chief Aaron Jelcick shared a snapshot of responses to mental health and suicide calls for service throughout the year. He reviewed a comparison of data from 2015 - 2017, noting there has been an increase in mental health related calls for service in 2017 and shared several examples of the types of calls received. Deputy Jelcick shared data regarding service calls specific to suicide. He discussed resources and shared some related challenges.

Committee members asked clarifying questions.

Committee member Bateman asked that an OPD representative regularly attend the weekly vulnerability index meeting. She also asked that the Behavioral Health Resources and Telecare come to a future General Government Committee meeting to hear more about the services they provide.

Chair Roe discussed hearing from downtown businesses owners they need a safe place to share feedback regarding what is happening downtown. She would like to see more

communication between OPD and the business community and asked for Amy Stull to visit the Visitor Convention Bureau.

Chair Roe requested more information on the residency of the Billy Frank Jr. apartments on State Street.

The information was received.

5.B [17-1087](#) Update on Advisory Board Recruitment Process

Strategic Communications Director Kellie Purce Braseth gave an update on current and upcoming vacancies on Olympia Boards and Commissions. She also shared the recruitment timeline.

Committee members asked clarifying questions.

The discussion was completed.

5.C [17-1086](#) Discussion of 2018 General Government Committee Work Plan Items

Ms. Purce Braseth shared the year long calendar of standing General Government Committee agenda items. Chair Roe requested a stakeholder meeting be added. A list of outstanding referrals was requested, but it was noted all the referrals of the past year have already been addressed.

Committee members asked clarifying questions.

The discussion was completed.

6. REPORTS AND UPDATES

Committee members discussed the date and time of the upcoming meeting, which will be November 17 at 4:30 p.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.