

City Council Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety

NAME	Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety
PURPOSE	The Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety will work with City staff and Council to develop a greater understanding of the current public safety system (policing, courts, jail, etc.) and consider recommendations to Council on policy and budget options that will reduce inequities, eliminate bias, and create a public system that works for all.
CHARTERING AUTHORITY	Authority The Ad Hoc Committee, including the members, was authorized on September 29, 2020 by the City Council.
	 Decision-making Authority A detailed work plan will be approved by City Council in a manner consistent with all other Council Committees. The Committee will forward recommendations to the full City Council when formal action is needed to allocate resources, establish policy, or provide direction to staff.
GOALS	 Eliminate inequities, bias, and racial injustice within the public safety system. Increase the City Council's knowledge of the City's current public safety system and changes implemented since the citizen Ad Hoc Committee on Police Relations. Increase understanding of existing federal, state, and local policies and codes and how it how it impacts the City's public safety system. Increase the City Council's understanding and use of data in public safety policy discussions and decision-making. Increase Council's understanding and agreement on those areas in which the Council has control and those areas in which the Council has influence. Increase partner investment (County Prosecution, Jail, etc.) and citizen involvement in the public engagement process on 'Reimagining Public Safety'
SCOPE OF WORK	 Work with staff to identify what we measure, why we measure it and provide feedback on an external facing dashboard focused on public safety. Provide regular updates to City Council on the Committee's work plan, progress, learning, and work products. Recommend topics and a schedule for City Council work sessions on Public Safety. Recommend short-term actions the City can implement that are in accordance with known best practices. Recommended outcomes for Council's consideration for Public Safety

	 Guiding principles for the Council's approach in the 'Reimagining Public Safety' engagement process. Evaluation and recommendation on need to establish a permanent Committee on Public Safety
MEMBERSHIP, ROLES &	Chair: Clark Gilman
RESOURCES	Membership Cheryl Selby, Mayor Jim Cooper, Councilmembers Clark Gilman, Councilmembers
	Staff Liaison Debbie Sullivan, Assistant City Manager Regina Adams, Program Assistant
	The liaison shall provide administrative and technical support to the Committee, including scheduling virtual meetings and recording and publishing meeting minutes in a manner consistent with all other Council Committees.
	Subject Matter Experts or Resources Aaron Jelcick, Interim Police Chief Jayme Holmes, Acting Corrections Lieutenant
	Mark John, Fire Chief Mark Barber, City Attorney
	Diane Whaley, Public Defense Coordinator Tye Graham, Acting City Prosecutor Keith Stahley, Assistant City Manager Nancy Campbell, Consultant
MEETINGS, SCHEDULE & TIMELINE	Communication The Committee Chair will provide regular updates to the Council under City Council reports and shall schedule work/study sessions as needed to keep Council informed of its work.
	Public Comment will be received when the Committee is considering policy or budget recommendations for the full Council's consideration.
	 Meeting Schedule & Frequency Monthly, 2nd Thursday of the month 4 PM
	Timeline The Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety will meet through August 2021 to correspond with the Re-imagine Public Safety public engagement process. The status of the committee will be assessed at that time.