



# City Council

## Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety

### Charter

UPDATED July 13, 2021

<b>NAME</b>	Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety
<b>PURPOSE</b>	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 safety system that works for all.
<b>CHARTERING AUTHORITY</b>	<b>Authority</b> The Ad Hoc Committee, including the members, was authorized on September 29, 2020 by the City Council.
	<b>Decision-making Authority</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A detailed work plan will be approved by City Council in a manner consistent with all other Council Committees.</li><li>• 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.</li></ul>
<b>GOALS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Eliminate inequities, bias, and racial injustice within the public safety system.</li><li>• Increase the City Council's knowledge of the City's current public safety system and changes implemented since the Ad Hoc Committee on Police and Community Relations.</li><li>• Increase understanding of existing federal, state, and local policies and codes and how it impacts the City's public safety system.</li><li>• Increase the City Council's understanding and use of data in public safety policy discussions and decision-making.</li><li>• Increase Council's understanding and agreement on those areas in which the Council has control and those areas in which the Council has influence.</li><li>• Increase partner investment (County Prosecution, Jail, etc.) and community involvement in the public engagement process on 'Reimagining Public Safety'</li></ul>
<b>SCOPE OF WORK</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Work with staff to identify what we measure, why we measure it and provide feedback on an external facing dashboard focused on public safety.</li><li>• Provide regular updates to City Council on the Committee's work plan, progress, learning, and work products.</li><li>• Recommend topics and a schedule for City Council work sessions on Public Safety.</li><li>• Recommend short-term actions the City can implement that are in accordance with known best practices.</li><li>• Recommended outcomes for Council's consideration for Public Safety</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guiding principles for the Council’s approach in the ‘Reimagining Public Safety’ engagement process.</li> <li>Evaluation and recommendation on need to establish a permanent Committee on Public Safety</li> </ul>
<b>MEMBERSHIP, ROLES &amp; RESOURCES</b>	<b>Chair:</b> Lisa Parshley
	<b>Membership</b> Cheryl Selby, Mayor Clark Gilman, Councilmember Lisa Parshley, Councilmember
	<b>Staff Liaison</b> 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.
	<b>Internal Subject Matter Experts or Resources</b> 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
<b>MEETINGS, SCHEDULE &amp; TIMELINE</b>	<b>Communication</b> 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.
	<b>Meeting Schedule &amp; Frequency</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month</li> <li>5:30 PM</li> </ul>
	<b>Timeline</b> The Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety will meet through the end of the public engagement process for Reimagining Public Safety. The public engagement process is scheduled to end the first quarter of 2022. The status of the committee will be assessed at that time.

