



# CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

## 6/29/2016

Public Safety Committee

June 29, 2016

Minutes

Committee Members: Councilors Sara Giannoni (SG) (chair); Selene Coburn (SC) David Hartnett (DH)

Additional City Staff: Richard Haesler (RH), City Attorney's Office;

Chair Giannoni called the meeting to order at 3:39 pm.

1. **Agenda:** motion to adopt by DH, second by SC – unanimous.
1. **Approval of minutes of 4/5/16:** Motion to Adopt by SC; Second by DH - unanimous
1. **Public Forum:** no members of the public spoke
1. **Committee Discussion re Continuing Issues for Last Session**
  1. SC: Special meeting on Opiates – to be held by the committee in the fall – we will invite speakers to deliver on specific items with plan that the committee focus on:
    1. Determining and understanding the issues which present re community public safety
    2. Barriers to service in the community

SG volunteers to help. SC to make initial contacts and then hand off to SG.



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Note: there will be a desire to hear from the new City Opiate Specialist hire

Note: We should reserve Room 12 – this will be for our October meeting. SC to identify the date based on speaker availability and let others know.

1. SC; Bike Safety Plan thru Local Motion – worked on with Chief del Pozo – possible follow-up
1. DH: Vehicular traffic problems – issue raised throughout the City last year – We heard presentation from Essex PD – speed flashbacks are working there – deployed strategically – Can we line up an agenda item:

Invite (1) Police and DPW; (2) Possibly Essex Police Chief

- In the fall – see September meeting item – DH volunteers to do the legwork on setting this up
1. SC; Sexual Assault follow-up – there should be an informational meeting set in the November meeting – update on University safety protocols, process and coordination of University and City around sexual assault issues – to invite speakers from Police; Hopeworks; University and any others they recommend – Sc to provide SG the contacts – SG to organize
  1. Needle Dropbox follow-up – SC: communication and timeline update needed from Parks – will ask Parks Director Jesse Bridges to file a communication updating the committee – RH to contact Director Bridges with request.

#### 1. **Other Business**

1. DH: What is the interface between the service providers to the mentally ill and housing institution for the mentally ill – see:
2. BHA
3. Cathedral Sq.
4. CHT
5. Northgate

What are the process, protocol for making sure that proper attention is paid in time of crisis – see the eviction of the mentally ill – this should not be a matter of service by the sheriff.

See the eviction as a balancing of being sensitive to the community concern re quality of life for the other tenants while



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addressing the needs of the mentally ill if there is crisis and disturbance.

Public Safety and Mental Health – Acute Crisis Response? This and other scenarios with community impacts.

SG: We will set this for the September meeting.

### 1. **Adjournment**

SC Motion. DH seconds. Unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm.