City of Austin Public Safety Commission

Agenda Item Request Form

[If you make your agenda item request in-between meetings, email this form to the Chair and the Staff Liaison and copy the other Commissioners.]

Backup for Topic: APD Policy regarding sales of deprecated and confiscated guns

Requested: April 2018 by Gonzales and Lee

Tentative hearing date: May 2018

- 1. Why is the proposed agenda item important and timely?

 Recent media reports and a speech by State Representative Gina Hinojosa indicate that the APD sold a large number of depreciated handguns into the private market.
- 2. When should the proposed agenda item be set on the agenda for maximum effectiveness? May 7th PSC meeting to receive consideration prior to City Council action.
- 3. Is the proposed agenda item for discussion or action or both? Both.
- 4. Are you requesting a presentation?

Yes, from APD, to address:

- a) what is the current policy regarding gun sales, for both deprecated and confiscated guns, and when and" how was it adopted?
- b) what was the prior policy regarding gun sales, and why was it changed?
- c) how many and what type of guns have been sold, and to whom?
- d) how much money did APD receive for the sold guns, and how did the "savings" affect the APD budget?
- e) is there a process for tracking whether guns sold by APD are subsequently used in a violent crime?
- f) does APD have a process that allows citizens to turn in unwanted guns and ammunition to the department, such as described for the DC Metropolitan Police Department at https://mpdc.dc.gov/page/gun-amnesty-program?
- 5. If you are requesting a presentation, what non-city staff speakers will you invite? Elva Mendoza, State Legislative Lead Volunteer, email_elva@yahoo.com, 512-289-3463 or Nicole Golden, Nicole.g.tx@gmail.com, Moms Demand Action Gyl Switzer, Exec Director, Texas Gun Sense, gyl@txgunsense.org, 512-903-4186
- 6. If you would like the Chair and staff to arrange for city staff speakers, what specifically do you want their presentations to cover? see item 4 above
- 7. Do you intend to offer a resolution on the topic? [if you already have a draft resolution, attach to this form] Yes. Will provide draft prior to the May 7th PSC meeting.
- 8. Do you intend to propose the formation of a working group on the topic? No.