

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING March 10, 2021

The PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE convened virtually in a regular meeting on March 10, 2021 at 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison called the committee meeting to order at 3:36 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance: Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison, Vice Chair Casar, and Committee Member Kelly

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve minutes of the November 16, 2020 meeting of the Public Safety Committee.

Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tem Natasha Harper-Madison and Council Member Gregorio Casar

The motion approving the minutes of the November 16, 2020 meeting of the Public Safety Committee was passed on Committee Member Kelly's motion, seconded by Vice Chair Casar, without objection with a 3-0 vote.

BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION

Briefing and discussion on Reimagining Public Safety initiatives: decoupling activities and reinvestment activities.

Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tem Natasha Harper-Madison and Council Member Gregorio Casar

Deputy City Manager Nuria Rivera-Vandermyde, Austin Public Health Assistant Director Adrienne Sturrup, Chief Equity Officer Brion Oaks, Assistant Police Chief Troy Gay, Community Court Operations Manager Robert Kingham, EMS Assistant Chief Jasper Brown, EMS Assistant Chief Andy Hofmeister and Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute Senior Fellow B.J. Wagner spoke on the subject.

3. Briefing and discussion on the Austin Police Department's Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC).

Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tem Natasha Harper-Madison and Council Member Gregorio Casar

Assistant Police Chief Joe Chacon, Police Lt. Mike Earley and Assistant Fire Chief Jeffery Kennedy spoke on the subject.

4. Briefing and discussion on the Austin-Area Wildfire Hub, in response to the Wildfire Preparedness Audit Report, October 2019.

Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tem Natasha Harper-Madison and Council Member Gregorio Casar

This item was postponed to the April 26, 2021 meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

5. Approve the proposed 2021 Public Safety Committee meeting schedule.

Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tem Natasha Harper-Madison and Council Member Gregorio Casar

The motion was approved by Vice-Chair Casar; Seconded by Committee Member Kelly with a 3-0 vote.

ADJOURN

Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison adjourned the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the April 26, 2021 meeting of the Public Safety Committee on Committee Member Kelly's motion, seconded by Vice Chair Casar, without objection with a 3-0 vote. Mayor Adler was off the dais.