



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
September 19, 2022**

The PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE convened in a hybrid format meeting on September 19, 2022, at 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Committee Chair Harper-Madison called the committee meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Committee Chair Harper-Madison, Committee Member Vela, and Committee Member Kelly were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Approve the minutes of the August 23, 2022, meeting of the Public Safety Committee.**

Sponsors: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, Council Member Mackenzie Kelly

The motion approving the minutes of the August 23, 2022, meeting of the Public Safety Committee was passed on Council Member Kelly's motion, seconded by Council Member Vela, without objection and with Council Member Vela off the dais, a 3-0 vote.

DISCUSSION

- 2. Discussion and possible action on implementing a sliding scale of fines for certain non-moving traffic law citations.**

Sponsors: Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

Judge Michael Coffee from the Downtown Austin Community Court spoke and answered questions.

BRIEFINGS

- 3. Briefing by the Austin Fire Department on the regulations for the allowable distance for hazardous materials storage in relation to single family and multi-family residences.**

Sponsors: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

Fire Marshal, Chief Tom Vocke and Yvonne Espinoza with the Fire Marshal's Office presented on zoning and regulations and answered questions.

- 4. Briefing on Austin's right of way easements compared to the recommendations of regulatory agencies.**

Sponsors: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, Council Member Mackenzie Jose ‘Chito’ Vela

Real Estate Services Officer Michael Gates with the Financial Services Department provided a presentation and answered questions. Acting Deputy General Manager and Chief Operating Officer for Austin Energy, Stuart Riley also answered questions.

FUTURE ITEMS

Council Member Kelly

- Overview of the various public safety interlocal agreements
- Wild Land Urban Interface risk assessments

Council Member Vela

- George Floyd Protest report

ADJOURN

Chair Harper-Madison adjourned the meeting at 3:11 p.m.