



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 3, 2026

Committee Members Present:

1. Chair José Velásquez
2. Vice Chair Krista Laine
3. Council Member Siegel
4. Council Member Qadri
5. Council Member Duchen (virtual)

Call to Order

Chair José Velásquez called the committee meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Public Communication: General

There was 1 speaker.

Approval of the minutes

- 1. Approve the minutes for the Public Safety Committee Meeting of April 6, 2026, Public Safety Committee Meeting of June 1, 2026, and the Special Called Public Safety Committee Meeting of April 29, 2026.**

The minutes of the April 6, 2026, Public Safety Committee Meeting of June 1, 2026, and the Special Called Public Safety Committee Meeting of April 29, 2026 were approved. The motion was made by Council Member Qadri and seconded by Vice-chair Laine. The motion passed on a 4 – 0 vote, with Council Member Duchen off the dais.

Briefings

- 2. Briefing on emergency response to the April 23, 2026, Union-Pacific train car derailment incident in the Seaholm District**

The committee received a briefing from Jim Redick, Director of Austin Emergency Management

- 3. Briefing on partnership between Austin Police and community violence prevention programs.**

The committee received a briefing from Lisa Davis, Chief of Austin Police, Michelle Myles, Manager in Austin Office of Violence Prevention; Eddie Franz, Director and Sean Oliver, Community Coordinator from ATX peace.

- 4. Briefing by Austin Police, Austin Fire, and Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services on personnel overtime costs, current overtime expenditure estimates through the end of the current Fiscal Year, and strategies to reduce overtime costs before adoption of the City's Fiscal Year 2026-27 budget..**

The committee received a briefing Lisa Davis, Chief of Austin Police; Tim Vocke, Interim Fire Chief; and Robert Luckritz, Chief of Austin- Travis County Emergency Medical Services

Future items

- 5. Identify items for future meetings**

No items were identified

Chair José Velásquez adjourned the meeting at 3:51 p.m.

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