



# Public Safety and Justice Virtual Council Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 10, 2022  
6:00 PM  
Council Chambers Virtual

Members:	Present:	Absent:	Commence:	6:00PM
			Adjourn:	7:30PM
Senayet Negusse, Chair	X			
Jake Simpson	X			
Erin Sitterley	X			

Staff Coordinator: Jon Mattsen/Chief  
 Other Council Members Present: Peter Kwon  
 Other Staff Present: Troy Smithmeyer, Mike Fitzpatrick, Brian Tomisser, Mary Mirante Bartolo, Bart Perman, Cindy Corsilles, Elaine Wi

1. Call to Order	Chair Negusse called the meeting to order at 6:00PM
2. Public Comment	There was no public comment.
3. Review of 10/14/21 Minutes	<u>X</u> Approval  Chair Negusse approved the meeting minutes as written as the other committee members were not present at the 10/14/21 meeting.
4. Safety Concerns at Angle Lake	<u>X</u> Presentation – Mary Mirante Bartolo and Mike Fitzpatrick discussed the safety concerns at Angle Lake stemming from a drowning last August. After this incident, the City contacted Clear Risk to request a safety assessment of Angle Lake. The suggestions submitted to Council resulting from the assessment are 1) competitive pay for lifeguards, 2) increased signage at the lake in SeaTac's top languages warning of the dangers, and 3) the purchase of a borrow and return lifejacket loaner station. The lifejacket loaner station would be in partnership with the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority. Brian Tomisser gave a presentation of the Water Safety Assessments showing the new signage at the lake. The City also removed the lifeguard chairs, and it was determined that the rope dividers with water depth was not feasible as the floor of the lake varies constantly. Finally, the fishing pier and boat ramp at Angle Lake Park are identified for refurbishment in the 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Program and a Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued.  Discussion / Questions followed.
5. In-Progress Violence Training/Cadre	<u>X</u> Discussion – Captain Smithmeyer discussed a new training simulator from Apex Officer that uses VR technology and includes peripheral vision and training tools that closely match those used in the field. Each training scenario is based on real-life incidents to test critical thinking skills, weapon skills under pressure,

	<p>and psychological responses to the stresses of life-like situations. This includes de-escalation, hostage negotiation, critical response, mental illness and suicide calls. The system is compact and portable so training can be set up anywhere. It would also be a valuable tool for Citizen's Academy and Council to experience. Funding will be available in March to purchase two sets of the training equipment.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p>
6. Administrative Functions/changes	<p>X Discussion – Chief Mattsen discussed several administrative functions and staff movement. Permit Parking: enforcement began in January with 23-ticketed violations. Traffic Unit: the 2 Harley Davidson motorcycles are down with mechanical problems more than they are on the street. Troy is in the process of costing transition to different bikes. Polaris at SeaTac: working on funding for an outreach station for Community Engagement Officer Robell Ghrmai with a December target date. Mental Health Co-responder: the City and police are in the preliminary stages of a pilot program for a mental health professional to respond to repeat and problematic individuals in SeaTac. This position would be in place of the second vacant CSO spot. Staff transitions: Koby Hamill was promoted to Captain and moved out of the SeaTac contract. Sgt. Graf is moving from second shift patrol to street crimes. Sgt. Julian Chivington will replace Graf as second shift Sgt. Sgt. Dery will be promoted to Captain later this year.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p>
7. Safeway business update	<p>X Discussion – Chief Mattsen gave an update on changes Safeway implemented to alleviate several issues. They have upgraded the parking lot lighting to LED, updated the outdoor cameras, purchased a telescopic pole camera for the parking lot, closed the south entrance of the store, and realigned the flow inside the store so customers must go through the checkout area before leaving the store.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p>
	<p><b>Next Meeting: March 10, 2022 at 6:00PM.</b></p> <p>Potential topics for next meeting: TBD</p>
Adjourn	<p>Chair Negusse adjourned the meeting at 7:30PM</p>