

Public Safety and Justice Virtual Council Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 9, 2023 6:00 PM Council Chambers Virtual

Members: Present: Absent: Commence: 6:02PM Adjourn: 6:45PM

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, Mary Mirante-Bartolo

1. Call to Order	Chair Senayet Negusse called the meeting to order at 6:02PM
2. Public Comment	There were two public comments.
	1. On 1/12/23, Minister Maurice Petty of West Coast Rise Ministries emailed that he would like to work collaboratively with the City of SeaTac on the rising Fentanyl and homeless crisis in Washington State.
	2. Katrina Dohn, TNT Fireworks Area Manager, emailed that a modified ban on fireworks is a win-win situation for SeaTac. Tukwila City Council approved a modified ban on fireworks last year and Tukwila Fire Dept said they had the least number of fireworks related calls in over 20 years.
3. Review of 12/08//22 Minutes	<u>X</u> Approval
	The 12/08/2022 meeting minutes were approved as written.
4. Firework CRF	X Discussion
	A Council Request Form was submitted by Councilmember Guzman to modify the current Fireworks Ban to allow ground-based, Safe and Sane, non-aerial and non-explosive fireworks to be sold and discharged within the SeaTac city limits. Because enforcing the current ban is challenging, modifying the ban would allow more control and limit what type of fireworks are being set off in the community. Council can amend the ban without it going through the initiative process.
	Discussion / Questions followed.
	Mary Mirante-Bartolo will modify the Ordinance and submit to PS&J Committee.

5. Case Law Updates	X Discussion
	Captain Smithmeyer updated the committee on HB1363, which is an update to HB1054 and concerns vehicle pursuits. The update replaces the term "probable cause" to "reasonable suspicion". Previously this required Supervisor permission before engaging in pursuit. The made it difficult because deputies do not know if a situation will turn in to a need for a pursuit.
	HB1025 concerns Police Officer Qualified Immunity. This bill creates a private right of action for harm from violations of the State Constitution or state law by peace officers. If this bill continues, it will have potential implications. Law enforcement is watching this very closely.
	Discussion / Questions followed.
6. January 2023 Statistics	Stats were not available. Topic to be tabled for the next PS&J meeting.
7. KCSO PTO Revisions	<u>X</u> Discussion
	Captain Smithmeyer gave an update on the PTO Program Revisions. Final approval was given by the Sheriff and Undersheriff to proceed. The new Competency-based Adult Learning model will allow Deputies to learn actively at varied pacing based on their individual learning needs. It will also allow Deputies to be assigned to areas where they will be most successful. In April or May they will restart the Biannual PTO Training. It will be mandatory to check in with PTO's, which will help with attrition rate and create high quality Deputies.
	Discussion / Questions followed.
	Next Meeting: March 9, 2023 at 6:00PM.
	Potential topics for next meeting: 2023 Statistics
Adjourn	Chair Senayet Negusse adjourned the meeting at 6:45PM