



MEETING MINUTES

Criminal Justice Reform Committee (Virtual)
April 5, 2023 | 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by acting Chair, Mayor Hughson.

II. ROLL CALL

Members in Attendance:

- Councilmember Shane Scott (*joined meeting at 2:32 p.m.*)
- Mayor Jane Hughson
- Councilmember Alyssa Garza

Staff Support in Attendance:

- Assistant City Manager Chase Stapp
- Police Chief Stan Standridge
- Assistant Police Chief Bob Klett
- Assistant Police Chief Brandon Winkenwerder
- Administrative Coordinator/Minute Taker Tammy Strakos

III. MINUTES

- CONSIDER APPROVAL, BY MOTION, OF THE OCTOBER 21, 2022 MEETING MINUTES.
Motion made by Hughson to approve minutes as written. Motion seconded by Garza. All in favor, none opposed, motion carries.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF NEW CHAIR
Decision was made to delay the selection of committee chair until all members were present. Action was taken later in the meeting with arrival of Councilmember Scott who nominated Councilmember Garza. A second to the nomination was provided by Mayor Hughson. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed to name Councilmember Garza as Criminal Justice Reform Committee Chair. A determination was made that meetings would continue to be held the first Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted, and meetings will continue to be internal in nature with pre-determined public presentations.

V. DISCUSSION

- JUVENILE CURFEW ORDINANCE
Discussion topic requested by Council to review data presented in October 2022. It was noted that the State Legislature is currently considering this matter, with bills being introduced to eliminate juvenile curfew. Reference Senate Bill

603 sponsored by Senator Brian Hughes. House companion bill 1819. Hughson noted that she is fine with the ordinance as is.

VI. **IDENTIFY AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS | NEXT MEETING: 5.3.23**

Committee members may provide requests for discussion items for a future agenda in accordance with Council Committee Procedures. *No further discussion will be held related to topics proposed until they are posted on a future agenda.*

- **4.5.23** Change to generalize request for information to reflect *“County Justice Center updates and how it affects us.” (Hughson)*
- **10.18.21** Follow up with VERA Institute of Justice, with a narrower scope of evaluating San Marcos data and whether Vera can offer guidance on enhancing our own analytics.
 - **4.5.23 Discussion:** *Staff and committee member Hughson expressed concern of inviting VERA’s involvement in data collection processes in light of limitations associated with access and accurate communication of narratives. Chair Garza does not have the same concern. Discussion was made regarding the now expanded scope of analytics available with the recent addition of a second crime analyst and the eventual potential growth of the team to three analysts. Garza noted the importance of data collection processes and application by SMPD as it relates to grant requests and community conversations. For future data reports, staff requested that data requests be specific in nature and include desired parameters in order to provide information that meets expectations. Chief Standridge will provide overdose data from August 2022 (go live date with new CAD system) to current date, as requested by committee members, and also noted the recent passage of a law to prosecute offenders for murder if a patient overdoses due to fentanyl. During next meeting on 5.3.23, Crime Analyst Martha Chumchal will provide an overview of her processes and personal insights on department strengths, as well as opportunities for betterment, as related to data collection and analysis.*

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.