Why the Need for Additional Personnel & Resources to Meet Community’s Public Safety Needs?

- Population Growth
- Increased Crime Violent/Drug Related
- Increased # of Citizens w/Substance Use Disorders, Mental Illness & Homelessness
- Capacity Needs in Legal/Courts
- Increased Code Violations affecting Neighborhood Safety

WHY?
2021 Public Safety Mill Levy
One Month at a Glance
8/1/21 – 9/1/21

Source: Crimemapping.com
High level of trust in Police Dept.

Strong recognition of crime problem

• 102 Police Recommendations
• 34 Fire Recommendations
2021 Public Safety Mill Levy

- Police Investments: $2,450,000
- Fire Investments: 1,500,000
- Legal, Court, Code Enforcement Investments: 1,450,000
- Ongoing Public Safety Needs: 1,300,000
- Mental Health & Substance Use: 415,000
- Total Estimated Additional Public Safety Costs: $7,115,000

$8.33 per month
Median House ($217,000)
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### Police
- 28 FTE’s – 14 Sworn officers and 14 civilian staff positions

### Fire
- Additional Hours for Medical Response Team (MRT) Staffing
- 2 staffed MRTs (10 FTE’s) to cover peak demand days and times

### Legal
- 3 Attorney’s, 2 Paralegal’s, and 2 support staff

### Court
- Additional full-time judge and staff

### Code Enforcement
- 3 Code Enforcement Officers

### Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services
- 2 mills (~$415,000/yr.)
Officer presence and proactive policing = Less crime
Violent Crime is Increasing
28 FTE’s  14 sworn officers and 14 civilian staff

- Violent Crime Reduction
- Improve Downtown Safety
- Improve Traffic Safety
- Support Mental Health Efforts
• Increase capacity of specialized units targeting:

• Violent and habitual offenders
• Felons in possession of firearms
• Illegal drug activity
• Street Crimes
• Hot spots – Geographic concentration of crime
• **Increase downtown uniform presence with:**
  • Foot patrol
  • Bike patrol
  • Patrol cars

• **Enhance hot spot enforcement by:**
  • Maximizing citizen and business interaction
  • Crime mapping analysis
  • Implementation of predictive policing strategies

• **Take full advantage of crime prevention through:**
  • Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED)
  • Business crime watch
  • Hotel grapevine
  • Community meetings
• Increase capacity of specialized traffic enforcement units for:

• High Visibility Enforcement (HVE)
  • DUI enforcement
  • Hot spots
  • School zones
  • Citizen concerns
Quick & Efficient Response to our Community’s Emergency Needs
Increased Calls for Service

Securing a Safer City

Fire Department Call Type 2020

- EMS Calls, 46.9%
- Fire Calls, 2.4%
- All Other Calls, 50.7%
Mobile Response Teams (MRT)

- 10 personnel for MRT’s
- Implement priority call protocol
- Two light weight response vehicles
  - More efficient and responsive for medical calls

Deputy Fire Marshal/Logistics Officer/Fire Protection Engineer

- Complete inspections and business licenses in a timely manner
- Public safety education (schools, nursing homes, hospitals, etc.)
- Conduct risk assessment on all target hazards
- Manage all equipment – including acquisition and “check it” program
Holding Criminals Accountable

Legal & Courts
Criminal cases opened 2016 - 2021

- 2021: 6000+ cases
- 2020: 5430 cases
- 2019: 6466 cases
- 2018: 5062 cases
- 2017: 4587 cases
- 2016: 3807 cases

Total: 3000 cases by 6/30/2021
Caseload per Prosecutor

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ABA best practices standard
Non-DV cases
DV cases
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Less than 50% of DV Cases Filed in 2020
Legal - 3 Attorney’s, 2 Paralegal’s, and 2 support staff

- Reduced caseloads
- Improved victim services
- More offender accountability

Court - Additional full-time judge and staff

- Improved Recidivism Rates
- Alternative Sentences – Treatment Options
Clean and Safe City Improvement Strategy

Code Enforcement
Code Enforcement = Safer Neighborhoods
Education and Outreach
• Coordinate with neighborhood task forces, other groups
• Connect residents to assistance programs

Proactive compliance effort
• ID strategic areas city wide for early intervention
• Focus/respond to specific issues - graffiti tagging, safe routes for kids/seniors

Successful compliance outcomes
• Additional legal staff assisting CE Team
• Enhanced funding/capacity for neighborhood clean ups
Expected Outcomes

- Improved safety of neighborhoods
- Increased efficiency when responding to emergency calls
- Collaboration with Federal, State and County officials
- Investment in mental health and substance abuse services
- Holding criminals accountable
- Improved traffic safety
- Feel safe to be in any part of our community at any time of day
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