



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA REPORT

DATE: February 2, 2017

AGENDA OF: February 6, 2017
DEPARTMENT: City Manager
SUBJECT: Committee Work Plan for 2017

RECOMMENDATION: Receive the staff report and provide direction as necessary.

BACKGROUND: In an effort to confirm the charge of the Public Safety Committee (Committee) and to facilitate the development of a work plan, committee members directed staff to compile a review of the topics considered by the Committee over the course of its existence. Staff has compiled a review of the Committee's charge as well as historical topics reviewed by the Committee. This agenda report provides context for the Committee's discussion on its scope and development of a work plan for the calendar year. It concludes with staff recommendations with regard to public safety topics to review in 2017.

Committee's Historic Charge and Background

The charge of the Council Public Safety Committee was developed and instituted by City Council in 2003, as the Citizen's Police Review Board sunsetted. City Council provided a new and more comprehensive avenue for oversight of the Police Department through a contract with a professional independent police auditor. The auditor was tasked with independently reviewing police internal affairs, police policies, internal and external complaints made against the department and providing an annual report to a sub-committee of Councilmembers. That sub-committee was named the Public Safety Committee. In addition to annually reviewing the auditor's findings, the Committee was further authorized by Council to discuss public safety issues, including police and fire issues (see attached Council agenda report from March 2003). Over time the Committee's scope and the work of the auditor expanded as the City faced new challenges. This scope is captured by former City Councilmember Mike Rotkin's summary written in 2011. In his memo (captured in full below), he outlined the charge of the Committee and importance of the Independent Police Auditor review:

The Public Safety Committee of the Santa Cruz City Council was established as an alternative to the Citizen's Police Review Board when the City Council sunset that group for a combination of budget and administrative reasons about a decade ago. Fundamentally, there is a belief that even well-functioning, otherwise excellent City departments will benefit from some oversight by citizen groups. Just as there is a Planning Commission, a Water Commission, a Public Works Commission, etc., public safety departments of the City can benefit from some form of citizen oversight.

As it turns out, State law, and specifically the Police Officers' Bill of Rights legislation in California, significantly limits the ability of citizen police review boards to monitor police policies and practices. Either the bodies act independently of the police departments and are not able to access significant information about cases they want to investigate, or they work closely with police departments and consequently have good access to full department reports and other information but then are unable to share very much about what they learn with the public. As a result, neither option successfully provides the general public with much confidence that there is, in fact, independent monitoring of police policies or practices.

Following the sunset of the Citizen's Police Review Board and up until the present, the City of Santa Cruz has employed an independent Police Auditor who reports not to the Police Department, but to the City Manager. Bob Aronson reviews all internal police investigations and other matters of potential concern to citizens concerning police practice and policy. Having strongly demonstrated his independence from the Police on a number of occasions, Mr. Aronson nonetheless enjoys a good relationship with the Police Department as a whole and with the leadership of the Department and with the City Council. However, there continues to be a need to demonstrate to Santa Cruz residents that someone who is independent of the City bureaucracy and the hierarchical structure of the Police Department is regularly monitoring our Police Department and its activities. This is the primary role of the Public Safety Committee of the Santa Cruz City Council.

This work is primarily carried out through regular meetings with the Police Chief and other police officials when issues of potential interest to the public arise and through an annual review of all internal investigations of the Police Department, whether generated through citizen complaints or internally initiated by the Department itself. The desire to have an independent review by a committee of the City Council does not indicate any lack of confidence in the ability of the Department to review its own officers when there are complaints or issues of concern; however, it is a reasonable way to assure often skeptical members of the public that someone other than the police themselves are paying attention to how the police carry out their important work for our community. Of course, there will remain individuals who will continue to doubt that adequate review is taking place – just as there were when we had a citizen's police review board. But we believe that most citizens who are concerned about police practices and policies have found the additional review provided by the City's Independent Police Auditor and the Public Safety Committee gives them an additional level of confidence that any significant problems can be uncovered and resolved. We believe that the Police also benefit from the feedback that they get from a group of Councilmembers who are elected by and represent the interests and concerns of the general public in our community.

Since its establishment, the Public Safety Committee has taken on some additional duties in educating the public and advising the City Council on other public safety issues. Included in this work are a regular review of the City's emergency planning and procedures – a function of several City departments and individuals, including primarily Robert Solick, the City's Emergency Coordinator and the Fire Department.

In conjunction with the City's Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women, the Public Safety Committee also undertook an almost year-long study of the response by the City and other public agencies to sexual assaults in the City and ways in which that response might be improved in order to make our City a safer place for our residents and visitors.

No doubt, there will be other issues and challenges that the Public Safety Committee of the Santa Cruz City Council may decide to take up in their attempt to help maximize the effectiveness of our public safety efforts. There can be little doubt that public safety remains a significant if not the primary concern of local residents when it comes to City services. The charge for the Committee is relatively open in this respect and the group is free to work with the Police, the Fire Department, and other City departments and employees on issues initiated either by the Committee itself, members of the public, or City employees.

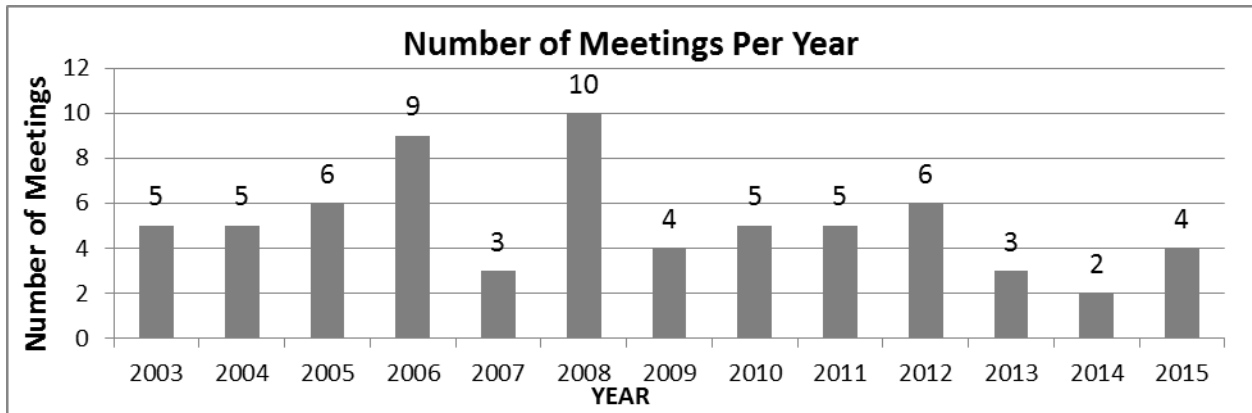
Currently, the Santa Cruz City Public Safety Committee meets quarterly or more often as dictated by need for special meetings on issues as they arise.

DISCUSSION:

Review of Previous Public Safety Committee Meetings and Topics

Number of Committee Meetings Per Year

As indicated in the above charge, the committee has routinely met quarterly, though the meeting frequency has varied and is determined by the committee each year.



Agenda Topics

As evident in the attached Public Safety Committee Agenda Topics spreadsheet, the Public Safety Committee has discussed a wide range of issues and topics ranging from Police surveillance policies to graffiti ordinances. As shown in the table below, recurring agenda item themes include Emergency Preparedness, Police Oversight/Review, Police Policy, and Policy related to Public Spaces.

Number of Times Per Year Themes were on Public Safety Committee Agenda													
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Police Policy	3	2	4	4			1						
Police Oversight & Review	1	4		3		6	3	5	1	1	1	1	1
Emergency Preparedness		1		3		4	3	1	3				1
Public Spaces Policy					1	1	1	1	2	5	2		1

Public Safety Committee Connection to Council Goals and Task Force Recommendations

It is recommended that that consideration of the overall charge of the Committee and work plan

for this year intersect with the Council strategic goals and recommendations of the Public Safety Task Force (which are discussed in the next few sections).

City Council Strategic Goals

The City Council adopted its three year strategic plan in 2015, and included among its top priorities goals enhancing “Community Safety and Well-Being.” The plan listed out several strategic objectives to focus public safety resources to achieve that important goal. Those include creating an environment that fosters personal safety, improving coordination with our public safety partners, maintaining clean and safe business corridors, neighborhoods, parks, beaches and open spaces, and being prepared for disasters and major emergencies. The Community Safety and Well-Being goal is attached to this document.

Public Safety Citizen Task Force Recommendations

The Task Force Recommendations includes 77 specific action items related to the below topics:

1. Prevention/Education/Connection
 - a. Environmental Design
 - b. Youth
 - c. Truancy Enforcement
 - d. Social Service Enhancements
 - e. Education
 - f. Connection
2. Strategic Enforcement
 - a. Strategic Police Enforcement
 - b. Strategic Code Enforcement
 - c. Offender Assistance with Accountability
 - d. Criminal Justice System Accountability
3. Funding

The majority of the recommended action items have progressed through ongoing efforts and programs. There have been some notable completed actions: lighting improvements to Riverwalk (#1), initiation of hiring bonuses for lateral and cadet hires (#33), and completion of the Parks Master Plan (#7), and creation of the Downtown Accountability Program, now known as PACT. Because of the number of agencies involved, many of the actions items require further outreach and coordination efforts. A good next step would be to assess the remaining recommendations and determine Council priorities for completion or further progress.

Staff Recommendations

City staff’s perspective is that there should be an expanded view of Public Safety, one that engages with the Fire Department, Parks and Recreation, and other City Departments and our regional partners. Many of our current public safety issues intersect with issues of homelessness mental health, drug addiction, and at-risk-youth; agencies addressing those issues need to be further engaged. Our City’s primary tool for managing public safety issues is police and code enforcement, which are not long term solutions to the prominent social issues in our city. To address the core public safety issues challenges we face, it is recommended that the Committee look at how to approach and solve for the inadequacies in our social services system, as well as opportunities to advocate for change in those systems and funding from higher levels of government.

In addition, City Council has directed the Committee to review the current status of the Police Departments 21st Century Policing policies and practices and determine how best to include the Police Auditor and community in that work.

With all this in mind, staff recommends that the Committee develop a work plan that includes:

- Review of and feedback on the Police Department's 21st Century Policing policies.
- An analysis of the Council Strategic Goals and Public Safety Task Force recommendations to prioritize programs or policies that focus on the core drivers of public safety issues in our community.
- An analysis of the City's current public safety management toolbox including a report on crime trends and current (penal and municipal code) enforcement strategies, review of the Neighborhood Safety Team progress, and report on programs with our partner agencies, such as SIP, MOST, PACT and others.

Staff recommends that the Committee provide opportunities to get updates from other relevant safety departments like Fire, Parks and Recreation and Planning and Community Development, and hold time for consideration of potential policy recommendations. This approach will provide a comprehensive review of public safety efforts underway locally and regionally and allow the Committee to provide recommendations to Council on a wide spectrum of important topics.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact to the City.

Submitted by:

Scott Collins
Deputy City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Original Charge of the Public Safety Committee (Agenda Report March 2003)
2. Clarification of the Public Safety Committee Charge (Agenda Report July 2003)
3. Independent Police Auditor Change in Scope (Agenda Report June 2005)
4. Historical Review of Public Safety Committee Agenda Topics (2003-2016)
5. City Council Strategic Goals – Community Safety and Well-Being (2015-2017)
6. Public Safety Citizen Task Force Recommendations Implementation (last updated in September 2016)



ATTACHMENT # 1
CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA REPORT

DATE: March 20, 2003

AGENDA OF: March 25, 2003
DEPARTMENT: City Council Ad Hoc Budget Crisis Committee
SUBJECT: INDEPENDENT POLICE AUDITOR AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. By motion, approve the form and structure of the City Council/Independent Police Auditor form of citizens police oversight;
 2. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Robert H. Aaronson for police auditor services as defined in the attached proposed agreement;
 3. Adopt a resolution transferring funds and amending the Fiscal Year 2002–2003 Budget in the amount of \$10,000 to fund the agreement for the remainder of the current fiscal year; and
 4. By motion, authorize Council appointment of a Public Safety Committee comprised of three Councilmembers with the charge to review public safety issues, including policies and procedures and the Independent Police Auditor function.
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BACKGROUND: On January 21, 2003, as part of the mid-year budget reductions, the City Council directed that the citizens police oversight function be restructured. On January 28, 2003, the City Council directed the City Council Ad Hoc Budget Crisis Committee to develop the City Council/Independent Police Auditor model of police oversight and return to Council with recommendations.

DISCUSSION: The proposed structure incorporates components of the previous system and adds other components to increase police accountability, to provide continuity of citizen oversight, and to provide ongoing feedback to the Police Department, City Manager, and City Council regarding police policies and practices by establishing an Independent Police Auditor (Police Auditor) that is approved by and reports to the City Council. The proposed structure has been reviewed by the Police Officers' Association.

INDEPENDENT POLICE AUDITOR

The following are the major features:

A. Review of Police Department Internal Affairs Investigations and Officer Involved Shootings

1. The Police Auditor will review all Police Department Internal Affairs investigations involving complaints against police officers which allege excessive or unnecessary force.
2. The Police Auditor will have the discretion to review or not review any other Police Department Internal Affairs investigations, including internally initiated allegations of misconduct against police officers and allegations submitted by the public.
3. The Police Auditor will have the right to attend Police Department Internal Affairs interviews of any citizen witness/complainant.
4. The Police Auditor may interview any civilian witnesses or complainants in the course of reviewing an investigation into any citizen complaint.
5. The Police Auditor may also make the request for further investigation to the Chief of Police or if needed to the City Manager.
6. The Police Auditor will review each Police Department investigation of any officer involved shooting when a Santa Cruz Police Officer discharges a handgun or department issued carbine and results in the injury or death of a person. Upon completion of the review, the Police Auditor will automatically report to the City Council at a closed session meeting of the City Council.

B. Review of Police Department Policies and Procedures

The Police Auditor will review Police Department policies and procedures as they become relevant in the course of reviewing investigations or in response to requests from the City Council, City Manager, and Chief of Police and recommend any changes.

C. Independent Investigation of Citizen Complaints

The Police Auditor may recommend to the City Council that an independent investigation of a citizen complaint involving allegations of excessive force or violation of civil rights be conducted.

D. Reports to the City Council

The Police Auditor will provide reports to the City Council as requested by the City Council or at the Police Auditor's discretion. The Police Auditor will also provide periodic written public reports to the City Council, including an annual report detailing the past twelve months of activities. The report will include relevant statistics, analysis, and recommendations.

E. Access to the Santa Cruz Community

The Police Auditor will be accessible to the Santa Cruz Community via City provided e-mail, telephone, and office hours. The Police Auditor will be present in the City for a minimum of two days per month and provide for citizen complaints to be submitted to the Office of the City Clerk, the Police Auditor, and/or additional locations other than the Police Department.

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The Ad Hoc Budget Crisis Committee also recognizes that there needs to be a forum for the Council, staff, and interested members of the community to discuss public safety issues, including both police and fire issues. Accordingly, it is recommended that a Public Safety Committee comprised of three Councilmembers be created by the Council. An important responsibility of the committee will be to review the Police Auditor function.

FISCAL IMPACT: The agreement for Police Auditor services anticipates expending a minimum of \$3,000 per month and a maximum of \$4,000 per month or \$36,000 to \$48,000 per year. For the remainder of the current fiscal year, \$10,000 needs to be appropriated to cover the difference between what remains in the CPRB operating budget and what will be needed to fund the agreement, as well as minor costs for implementation (business cards, stationary, etc.). As with the previous system, additional independent investigations may require further expenditure approved by the City Council on a case-by-case basis.

Submitted by:

Emily Reilly
Mayor

Scott Kennedy
Vice Mayor

Tim Fitzmaurice
Councilmember

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Attachments: Proposed Agreement
Resolution
Budget Adjustment



CITY OF SANTA CRUZ
COUNCIL REPORT

DATE: July 15, 2003

AGENDA OF: July 22, 2003

DEPARTMENT: City Council

SUBJECT: CHARGE TO THE COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council, by motion, clarify that the Council's intention is for the Public Safety Committee, which will usually meet in open session, advertised to the public and encouraging their participation, may from time to time, meet in closed session to allow the Public Safety Committee to review and discuss confidential police records and files, internal investigation documents, and other confidential documents. The City's Police Review consultant, the Chief of Police and his designees, the City Attorney, and other city officials may also be present at the closed sessions as long as the issues discussed and materials considered are appropriated to closed discussions under the provisions of the Brown Act.

BACKGROUND: I believe that in creating the Council Public Safety Committee, the City Council intended to allow the committee to assume as many of the areas of responsibility of the former Citizens' Police Review Board as possible. The Public Safety Committee, composed of Councilmember Ed Porter, Councilmember Scott Kennedy and me, has already met several times to clarify its charge and future plans and establish a regular meeting schedule.

However, in the Council action creating the committee, the Council made no mention of the possibility of closed sessions. I believe that it is necessary for the Council to explicitly authorize and direct that the Police Review Committee be allowed to meet in closed session if that is the Council's intent. I do not believe that the Committee can adequately carry out several of its intended functions without such authority, so I am hoping that the Council will resolve to allow such closed sessions on the part of the Public Safety Committee. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approval of the above recommendation has no fiscal impact.

Submitted by:

Mike Rotkin
Councilmember
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CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA REPORT

DATE: June 17, 2005

AGENDA OF: June 28, 2005
DEPARTMENT: City Manager
SUBJECT: INDEPENDENT POLICE AUDITOR

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with Robert Aaronson for Independent Police Auditor services with increased scope of services pertaining to the review of Police Department policies and procedures; and approve increasing the contract amount by \$18,000 in the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget.

BACKGROUND: The primary functions of the Independent Police Auditor (IPA) are (1) to review internal investigations involving complaints against police officers (including investigations of any officer-involved shootings); (2) review department policies and procedures; (3) to recommend to the City Council that an independent investigation of a citizen complaint be conducted; and (4) to be accessible to the Santa Cruz community. The IPA is also required to provide reports to the City Council and City Manager.

DISCUSSION: The current agreement was developed with the understanding that it involved an effort to create a more effective and less expensive model for independent oversight of the Santa Cruz Police Department. Moreover, it was recognized that over the course of time, refinements and alterations to the developing model and to the agreement may be desirable.

Accordingly, it is the consensus of the Independent Police Auditor, City Manager and Police Chief that the scope of the current agreements needs to be modified to improve the IPA function as it relates to the review of Police Department policies and procedures. More hours have been provided and the agreement language has been modified to provide greater flexibility to the IPA and the Police Chief to initiate reviews of policies and procedures.

FISCAL IMPACT: The proposed budget includes \$24,000 for IPA services. Approval of the above recommendation will increase the cost of these services by \$18,000, for a total of \$42,000.

Submitted by:

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Martín Bernal
Assistant City Manager

Approved by:

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Richard C. Wilson
City Manager

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Proposed Agreement



Public Safety Committee ATTACHMENT # 4
Agenda Topics
2003-2016

Date	Topic	Color Key
June 9, 2003	Update on Fire Consolidation Efforts in the County	Fire
July 7, 2003	Discussion of Police Detention Policy	Police Policy
August 18, 2003	Update on Fire Service Consolidation Efforts: a) Countywide Merger Analysis b) Joint Efforts with Scotts Valley Fire District	Fire
	Review Draft of "If You Are Stopped By a Police Officer"/Discussion of Police Detention Policy	Police Policy
	Review of the Legal Authority of the Public Safety Committee to Meet in Executive Session	Committee
September 15, 2003	Alcohol Survey Presentation by Andrew Davis	Alcohol
	Review Draft of "If You Are Stopped By a Police Officer"/Discussion of Police Detention Policy	Police Policy
	Review of Message Received August 21st on Council Group Message Line Regarding Use of Police Force	Police Oversight
	Update on Fire Service Consolidation Efforts: a) Countywide Merger Analysis b) Joint Efforts with Scotts Valley Fire District	Fire
	Review of the Legal Authority of the Public Safety Committee to Meet in Executive Session	Committee
December 15, 2003	Public Safety Committee's Performance Evaluation of City Police Internal Affairs Investigators and Supervisors	Police Oversight/Review
March 15, 2004	Discussion of Informational Pamphlet Regarding Detentions	Police Policy
April 19, 2004	Discussion Regarding Response to Bill of Rights Defense Committee (BORDC) Request For Council Policy Statement on the Constitutionality of the Patriot Act and the Homeland Security Act	
	Discussion of Informational Pamphlet Regarding Detentions	Police Policy
October 18, 2004	Disaster Mitigation Assistance Program (FEMA): Presentation by Fire Chief Prince	Emergency Preparedness
	Discussion Regarding Development of General Plan Safety Element	Police Oversight/Review
	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations	Police Oversight/Review
November 15, 2004	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files	Police Oversight/Review
November 22, 2004	Review of Police Files	Police Oversight/Review
February 14, 2005	Review of Proposed Municipal Code Amendments Pertaining to Public Nuisance Trees and Vegetation	Trees
March 21, 2005	Discussion Regarding Review of Policy Pertaining to Use of Tasers	Police Policy
	Review of Proposed Municipal Code Amendments Pertaining to Public Nuisance Trees and Vegetation	Trees
April 18, 2005	Continuation of Discussion Regarding Policy Pertaining to Use of Tasers	Police Policy
May 16, 2005	Continuation of Discussion Regarding Policy Pertaining to Use of Tasers	Police Policy
July 19, 2005	Discussion Regarding Proposed Ordinance Pertaining to Loud or Unruly Gatherings	
November 21, 2005	Discussion of City's Taser and Pepper Spray Policies	Police Policy
	Public Safety Report on Halloween, 2005	Report Out
February 13, 2006	Police Report on Events Leading up to New Year's Eve, 2005	Report Out
	Discussion of Police Surveillance Policies 1. Existing Policies and Policy Application 2. Officer Behavior 3. Use of Gathered Information 4. Independent Police Auditor Comments (if available)	Police Policy
	Discussion and Approval of Police Surveillance Policy Recommendations	Police Policy
	Status Report of Independent Police Auditor's Progress	Police Oversight/Review
	Discussion of City Emergency/Preparedness Plans 1. Ocean-Related (Tsunami and Storm) 2. Health Epidemics	Emergency Preparedness
March 20, 2006	Discussion of Last Night DIY Parade, Independent Police Auditor's Report and Police Surveillance Policy	Police Oversight/Review
	Discussion and Approval of Police Surveillance Policy Recommendations	Police Oversight/Review

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April 17, 2006	Discussion of City Emergency/Preparedness Plans		
	1. Warning Systems in Beach Areas		Emergency Preparedness
	Discussion of Intermediate Use of Force Report		Police Policy
June 19, 2006	Presentation of Draft Plan for Emergency/Hazards Preparedness		Emergency Preparedness
July 24, 2006	Undercover Operations – First Amendment Activity Policy		Policy Policy
October 16, 2006	Discussion of Process with CPVAW Responding to Sexual Assault		Sexual Assault
November 3, 2006	Discussion and Possible Action Related to the Joint Committee on Sexual Assault		Sexual Assault
	Follow Up on the Joint Committee on Sexual Assault Schedule		Sexual Assault
	Follow Up on the Police Department's Undercover Operations Policy		Policy Policy
November 12, 2006	Discussion of Possible Loud and Unruly Gathering Ordinance Amendments		
	Performance Evaluation of the City Manager		
	Joint City Committee on Sexual Assault		Sexual Assault
March 19, 2007	Discuss School Resource Officer		
April 30, 2007	Consideration of Revised Joint Committee on Sexual Assault Recommendations for the City Council		Sexual Assault
November 19, 2007	Discussion of a Council Policy Regarding Procedures for Reporting Councilmember Concerns of City Employees or Actions		Committee
February 25, 2008	Radio-Controlled Aircraft in City Parks		Public Spaces Policies
May 19, 2008	Discussion of the Review of Independent Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
May 28, 2008	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
June 9, 2008	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
June 17, 2008	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
June 18, 2008	Status of Emergency Response Plan		Emergency Preparedness
	Discussion of the Review of Independent Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
June 30, 2008	Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
July 21, 2008	City of Santa Cruz Emergency Response Plan		Emergency Preparedness
October 20, 2008	Discussion of Emergency Preparedness		Emergency Preparedness
November 17, 2008	Discussion of Emergency Preparedness		Emergency Preparedness
June 24, 2009	Emergency Preparedness Forum, Scheduled for October 2009		Emergency Preparedness
	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
July 27, 2009	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
	Police Department Overview and Update		Police Oversight/Review
	H1N1 Influenza Virus Update		
September 21, 2009	Emergency Preparedness Forum, Scheduled for October 2009		Emergency Preparedness
	November 23rd Community Dialogue on Youth Safety Update		
	Police Department Door-to-Door Neighborhood Outreach Efforts		Police Policy
	Holiday Season Fire Safety		Emergency Preparedness
December 7, 2009	City Parks and Open Space Public Safety Discussion		Public Spaces Policies
	Youth Safety Update		
	City Parks and Open Space Public Safety Update		Public Spaces Policies
March 15, 2010	Review of Joint Committee on Sexual Assault Recommendations		Sexual Assault
June 14, 2010	Public Safety Update from the Santa Cruz Police Department		Police Oversight/Review
	Update on the Joint Committee on Sexual Assault Recommendations		Sexual Assault
	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
July 12, 2010	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
September 13, 2010	Public Safety Update from the Santa Cruz Fire Department: Fall Fire Safety		Emergency Preparedness
	Public Safety Update from the Santa Cruz Police Department		Police Oversight/Review
December 13, 2010	Police Department Updates:		
	1. November 29th Hospital Inmate Escape		
	2. Police and First Alarm Holiday Schedules		
	3. Gang Prevention		Police Oversight/Review
March 24, 2011	Update on the March 11, 2011 Tsunami Event		Emergency Preparedness
June 27, 2011	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
	Predictive Policing Program – Presentation by Santa Cruz Police Department		

Date	Topic	Color	Topic
	Public Safety Update on Parks Unit – Santa Cruz Police and Parks and Recreation Departments		Public Spaces Policies
	Discussion of Public Safety Impacts from Anticipated State Parks Closures		Public Spaces Policies
September 19th, 2011	Tsunami Readiness: Planning & Outreach		Emergency Preparedness
	Levee Safety		
	Community Safety Update/Recent Street Crimes		
October 10th, 2011	Tsunami Readiness: Planning & Outreach		Emergency Preparedness
	Levee Safety		
	Community Safety Update/Recent Street Crimes		
December 12th, 2011	Levee Safety		
January 22nd, 2012	Disorderly Conduct on Park Property Ordinance		Public Spaces Policies
	Order to Vacate Park Property Ordinance		Public Spaces Policies
March 26th, 2012	Predictive Policing Update		
	Update on San Lorenzo Levee		
	Fire Dept. Operations and Fire Service Agreement w/ UCSC		
June 18th, 2012	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
July 16th, 2012	Recommendations for safety Enhancement Zone Designations & Stay away Orders for City Park and Libraries		Public Spaces Policies
	Recommendations for Revisions of Graffiti Ordinance		
	Consideration of Public Lighting of San Lorenzo River Levee		
October 15th, 2012	Recommendations for Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women Review of Police Services		
	Safety Enhancement Zone Designations and Stay Away Orders for City Parks and Libraries		Public Spaces Policies
	Graffiti Ordinance		
December 17th, 2012	Cowell's Beach and Surrounding Area Community Safety Discussion		Public Spaces Policies
January 29th, 2013	Response to Public Safety Concerns in Santa Cruz Parks, Beaches, Open Spaces, and Neighborhoods		
	Citizen Driven Public Safety Task Force		
	of Local Hypodermic Needle Exchange Program		
	Department		
	Services/Facilities		
	Address Underlying Causes		Public Spaces Policies
May 1st, 2013	Establishing a remaining on median strips and roundabout ordinances for City Street and Roads		Public Spaces Policies
June 17th, 2013	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
June 30th, 2014	Prioritizing the Remaining Public Safety Citizen Task Force Recommendations for Council Considerations		Police Oversight/Review
July 21st, 2014	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
April 20th, 2015	Amending Requirements for Annual Traffic Safety Report		
	Exploration of City's Public Safety Report Capabilities		
August 17th, 2015	Review of Police Auditor Written Evaluations and Police Files		Police Oversight/Review
October 5th, 2015	Preparation for Potential El Nino Event		Emergency Preparedness
	Review of Ordinance Santa Cruz Municipal Code Pertaining to Orders to Vacate Park Property		Public Spaces Policies
December 7th, 2015	Bike Theft Data and Action Plan		
	Neighborhood Policing Projects, Public Safety Reporting and Recommendations		
March 29th, 2016	Annual Review of Crime Statistics		
	3-1-1/Consituent Management Systems		
	2016 Work Plan		

PLEASE NOTE: Similar colors indicate topics that have been discussed multiple times. A topic with no color indicates only one discussion.

City Council Strategic Goal 2: Community Safety & Well-Being

Strategies:

1. *Create an environment that fosters a feeling of personal safety, physical security and individual well-being through the continued implementation of the Public Safety Citizen Task force recommendations*
2. *Develop and maintain ongoing coordination, partnerships and programs to focus on proactive prevention and analysis, lowering the occurrence of crime, early intervention and supervision for at-risk populations and effective rehabilitation to minimize recidivism*
3. *Foster a community of safe, attractive and well-maintained neighborhoods and business districts through the resolution of property crimes and nuisance issues*
4. *Support and encourage a variety of agencies that provide for the health and welfare of the community from youth to seniors*
5. *Enhance the City’s level of disaster preparedness through improved planning, training, response, mitigation, and community outreach*

KEY PROJECTS: GOAL 2	Related City Projects
Establish proactive process which tracks and monitors recurring neighborhood safety/quality of life concerns, and triggers a coordinated response and resolution involving non-public safety staff.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks Unit • Neighborhood Enforcement Team • Code Enforcement
Continue to invest in safety net support including City programs, community granting, and partnerships.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PACT • SIP • DOW • Homeward Bound
Focus Resources and Partnerships to reduce illegal and nuisance activity Downtown and other targeted areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PACT • SIP • DOW • Homeward Bound • Parks Unit
Advance Library future planning. Including JPA governance, funding, operations, and revenue.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Library Facilities Master Plan
	Related City Projects

ATTACHMENT # 5

KEY PROJECTS: GOAL 2 <i>Continued</i>	
Continue to invest in youth programming and support services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P&R Teen Programs• Teen Intern Program• Youth Violence Prevention Strategic Plan• Youth Violence Prevention Working Group
Improve sanitation and illegal campsite abatement throughout the City.	
Pursue options for a Public Safety Training Center and Fire Station #2 replacement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fire Training JPA

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Major Theme #1: Prevention/Education/Connection

Environmental Design

1	Lighting improvements to the San Lorenzo Riverwalk and Harvey West Area	Parks and Recreation and Public Works	Received State grant to light west portion of Riverwalk	Design review, Council review fall 2014 and anticipated project completion by early 2015	C
2	Reform County Health Services Agency Syringe Services Program	County	County instituted a series of reforms in 2014 to reduce community impacts of the SSP, while maintaining health efficacy of the program	Evaluate results of needle exchange reform efforts following County issuance of the Annual SSP report in April 2015	O
3	Insure proven, evidence-based interventions and treatment programs are available and funded for alcohol and drug treatment	County	County currently in process of revising the Alcohol and Drug Treatment Strategic Plan to address current community needs. City continues to provide funding to County in support of the Serial Inebriate Program (SIP)	County hosting a community input meeting the evening of Sept 18th at the Simpkins Swim Center; presenting to Board of Supervisors in October 2014	O
4	Instruct the City representatives to request the Metro Board (Metro) to ensure that the new transit hub is designed to minimize illegal behavior and promote positive use (external review may be necessary)	Metro	Metro planning process included many environmental design elements to reduce crime and nuisance issues in the area, and consultation with Santa Cruz Police Department (SCPD) and other City staff	Conceptual design phase to conclude winter 2014/2105	O

Youth

5	Leverage existing youth programs, if necessary, create new programming to provide pro-social activities during the 3-9pm period, programs should reduce barriers to encourage broad participation	Parks and Recreation	Expanded Teen Center hours in 2013/2104; coordinating with Santa Cruz City Schools to offer more afterschool programming to k-8th students in the City	Continue expanded Teen Center hours and review options for afterschool programming	O
6	City develop outreach strategy to encourage underserve youth in the community to participate in Parks and Recreation youth programs	Parks and Recreation	Teen Center staff meeting with teens in their neighborhoods to encourage participation in programming; Council funding scholarships for youth to participate in local athletic programs	Continue youth outreach efforts	O
7	Ensure long range plan for Parks and Recreation includes appropriate facilities for demographic trends	Parks and Recreation	Parks undergoing a Parks Master Plan process, and will include elements for all ages; Recreation staff regularly reviews demographic data to ensure program offerings meet community demand	Parks Master Plan work underway, with report back to the City Council expected later in 2015	O

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8	Youth programming recommendations should include information published by the Criminal Justice Council Report on Youth Violence	City Manager's Office	Existing and new youth programming reflects best practices and input from partner agencies	Continue programs	O
9	City partner with Santa Cruz City Schools District (SCCS) and Santa Cruz County Office of Education (COE) to support and expand existing after school programming, specifically academic enrichment (e.g. Arts Academy) and scholastic sports programs	Multiple City Departments	City meeting with districts to discuss; Council funding scholarships for youth to participate in local athletic programs	On-going discussions through the City-School Committee	O
10	Partner with SCCS and COE to develop mentoring/internship programs for high school students. City to incentivize businesses, non-profits and local non-governmental agencies (NGOs) to participate in mentoring/internship programming	Multiple City Departments	Parks and Recreation created a youth work program for summer 2014 (Youth Trail Crew)	Continue programs, and review opportunities to use City-Serve to expand internship opportunities for youth	O
11	Work with Santa Cruz Metro (Metro) to explore transportation options for youth and families, specifically in regard to getting kids to school in the morning and home from school and after school programming	Metro	No progress to date	Public Safety Committee (PSC) recommends referring to this item to the City - Schools Committee	NP
12	Collaborate with Santa Cruz City Schools (SCCS) and the County Office of Education (COE) to address the summer gap in programming	Multiple City Departments	City meeting with SCCS to discuss, and Parks and Recreation created summer youth work program (Youth Trail Crew)	Continue programs	O
13	The City to collaborate with Santa Cruz City Schools (SCCS) and County Office of Education (COE) to support and expand Adult Education with emphasis on General Education Development (GED) and High School (HS) diploma programs	Schools	No progress to date, with focus of City-school collaboration on youth programming	Potential future discussion for City-Schools Committee	NP
14	City Council to partner with Santa Cruz Youth City Council to develop all Youth Programming recommendations herein	City Manager's Office	Youth City Council generated survey of youth attitudes regarding public safety in Santa Cruz	Staff to review survey results	O
15	Leverage existing programs and, if necessary, consider creating new programs to provide mentoring and job opportunities to local teenagers	Multiple City Departments	Parks and Recreation created summer youth work program and offers a leadership program for at-risk youth	Continue programs	O
Truancy Enforcement					
16	City partner with Santa Cruz City Schools (SCCS) and County Office of Education (COE) to enhance and strengthen truancy policies and enforcement processes	Schools	City participates on the Student Action Review Board (SARB) in partnership with the COE to address truancy issues through parental accountability	Continue efforts	O
17	Increase the number of school resource officers (SRO) to four	Police Department	SCPD reviewed this request, but is not sufficiently staffed to increase SROs.	PSC recommends exploring SRO staffing at next City-School Committee meeting	NP
Social Service Enhancements					
18	Add questions that concern the City to the point-in-time Homeless Census Survey	City Manager's Office	The City and partners have successfully added new pertinent questions to the survey	Continue to evaluate effectiveness of survey questions and need for additional questions	C

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19	Expand the Homeward Bound program	City Manager's Office	City expanded program in FY 2014, reduced in FY 2015 to meet existing demand	Continue to monitor program and assess expansion to other partners	o
20	Recommend that City and County Planning Departments encourage landlords within the City and County to support investment in HUD recognized best practice programs including Housing First models such as 180/180, and any kind of incentive to renting to special needs populations (see "Santa Clara program")	Housing Authority	180/180 campaign and other efforts underway to house individuals experiencing chronic homelessness in the County	PSC recommends staff research this recommendation before moving forward on a policy recommendation	o
21	City to coordinate with faith-based, government and non-governmental organizations to operate social service programs (soup feeds, overnight shelter, RV parking, etc.) in order to ensure public safety impacts to community are minimized	City Manager's Office	City has met or is meeting with several non-profits and faith-based organizations to minimize crime and nuisance issues in and around their facilities	Continue outreach	o
22	City to develop and publicize self-supporting alternative to giving money to panhandlers. Program will include mobile application and other possible ways of donating such as web-based. Proceeds of program will go to proven effective programs to support people who are homeless, mentally ill and substance abusers	City Manager's Office	Imagine Positive Change launched in 2010	Continue program	o
Education					
23	Increased community education (includes schools on certain topics) in the areas of substance abuse, domestic violence, bullying, sexual assault, mental health, gang desistence/prevention, and perhaps other related topics	Multiple City Departments	City provides education on these important public safety issues through a variety of programs, including the Commission for the Prevention of Violence Against Women (CPVAW), the Citizen Police Academy and school outreach. The City also recently hired additional communication staff to improve public education and outreach	Communication staff to evaluate options to increase community education on these important topics	o
24	Collaborate with SCCS and COE and others to ensure all youth are educated around the issues of recreation drug use, underage alcohol use, gangs, etc	Schools and Youth Organizations	SCPD conducts several programs to address risky behavior amongst youth, including the PRIDE and BASTA programs. Two police officers dedicated to this programming and outreach. SCPD also participate in parent education nights through the City schools	Continue efforts and evaluate options to improve outreach to youth	o
Connection					
25	Recommend the City conduct community outreach "see something, say something" campaign to engage the public in crime prevention	Multiple City Departments	SCPD routinely meets with community members, neighborhood groups and businesses, and always encourages them to call 9-1-1 for any emergencies/suspicious activity they witness	Continue neighborhood outreach	o
26	Every resident should belong to a neighborhood group and be civically engaged. Neighbor to neighbor networking outreach is recommended. Revitalize the Neighborhood Services Team to meet quarterly or more frequently as needed to collaborate with all existing neighborhood groups to address collectively issues impacting neighborhoods throughout the City	Multiple City Departments	SCPD partners with the Santa Cruz Neighbors group and routinely participates in neighborhood meetings	Continue neighborhood outreach	o

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27	Increase City coordination, financial support, and social services outreach for volunteer clean-up efforts (such as the Levelies, Clean Team, Save our Shores, Beach Flats, Community Center, NoLo).	City Manager's Office	Through Measure E, City funds over 20-25 community cleanups through non-profit and volunteer groups (\$10K Adopt a levee Save our Shores, \$5K river community cleanups, \$2500 Annual Coastal Cleanup Day, \$4500 July 4th outreach and July 5th beach cleanups)	Continue program and evaluate opportunities to improve coordination with community groups on cleanups	O
Major Theme #2: Strategic Enforcement					
Strategic Police Enforcement					
28	Fill budgeted SCPD vacancies and increase the SCPD authorized strength to national averages	Police	SCPD has filled all budgeted positions	Continue to recruit and review staffing levels	C
29	Move towards a targeted policing model, with strategy that emphasized enforcement on nuisance crimes in natural, city entry and focal point areas	Police	SCPD launched the Neighborhood Enforcement Team (NET) in Summer 2014, proactively addressing neighborhood and public space safety issues through inter-departmental, inter-agency and community cooperation	Continue NET efforts	O
30	Designate existing municipal code infractions as misdemeanors for current infractions such as depositing of public waste, multiple offenses for illegal camping, and other offenses to curb quality of life crimes	City Council	City Council has revised ordinances in the past to include provisions to make it misdemeanor for multiple infractions of the same section within a 6-month time period	Council review	NP
31	County to fund a municipal code prosecutor	County	County working with the City to address repeat offenders of low level crimes, including municipal code infractions, through the Downtown Accountability Program (DAP). City Attorney prosecuting municipal code violations as part of the DAP and failures to appear	PSC Committee recommends extending DAP pilot to the end of FY 2015	NP
32	External review of public safety departments within the City of Santa Cruz	City Council	City continually evaluates effectiveness and opportunities to improve internal and external	PSC recommends a review of SCPD staffing levels and staff explore options to improve coordination and communication between city departments on public safety	O
33	Review Santa Cruz Police Department compensation packages for purposes of recruitment and retention	CMO, Human Resources, Police	City initiated hiring bonus for lateral and cadet hires	Continuing hiring bonus program to assist in recruitment efforts	C

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34	Explore alternative staffing positions, such as reserve officers and expand number of community service officers	Police	City funds multiple Community Service Officers, Park Rangers and contracts with private security for hot spot locations, and recently increased patrols of Downtown and Parks	Continue program and assess opportunities to utilize these resources in other areas	0
35	Increase number of SCPD foot, bike and street patrols	Police	SCPD launched the Neighborhood Enforcement Team in Summer 2014, proactively addressing neighborhood and public space safety issues through inter-departmental, inter-agency and community cooperation; added new First Alarm foot patrols in the Downtown area	Continue program	0
36	Vigorous enforcement of bike license law, make it illegal to have unlicensed bike or bike with shaved serial numbers	Police	Staff working to improve convenience of licensing of bikes	PSC recommends staff perform greater outreach on bike licensing program, potentially to include local bike shops and UCSC, and City events	0
37	Coordinated strategy with community groups to reactivate one public area at a time, starting with San Lorenzo River and Harvey West areas	Multiple City Departments	SCPD launched the Neighborhood Enforcement Team in Summer 2014 to address neighborhood and public space safety issues proactively; City joined the San Lorenzo River Alliance to improve positive activity along the Riverwalk; and SCPD targeting efforts with Parks to improve Harvey West area	PSC recommends adding activation of these areas to the Parks Master Planning process. City will continue efforts to reduce illegal activity in City parks and Open Spacethrough enforcement, design and activation	0
38	Explore civil litigation against Caltrans, local railroad owners, Army Corps of Engineers, State of Nevada and other organizations/business owners who create "crime pollution externalities"	City Manager's and City Attorney	City coordinating with CalTrans, RTC, Roaring Camp, and other entities to reduce nuisance issues on their properties, resulting in CalTrans cleanups and RTC reimbursement for City work on their property	Continue efforts to improve inter-agency coordination, and develop cost recovery strategy	0
39	Identify, fund and promote improved methods to report crimes and track City response to reported crimes and judicial system response to crimes	City Manager's Office	City hired additional communication professionals, and evaluating opportunities to improve reporting of nuisance issues. 9-1-1 is the most appropriate method for reporting crime	PSC recommends staff provide informational update To City Council on 3-1-1; continue efforts to improve communication with community	0

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40	Implement non-judicial consequences for multiple failures to appear on municipal code infractions	City Attorney	Through the DAP, instituting a work program to encourage pro-social activities for repeat offenders. Superior Court also runs the "Community Options" program for alternative sentencing	Awaiting receipt of Justice Dept. grant to begin program in Oct. 2014	C
41	Maintain curfew at Cowell Beach	Coastal Commission	City requested Coastal Commission grant 3-year extension of the curfew	Awaiting Coastal Commission review	C
42	City and UCSC officials ban and enforce all public celebration of illicit drug use	UCSC	It is UCSC prerogative to enforce drug laws on campus; however, SCPD partners with UCSC on drug intervention programming	No next steps	C
43	City and UCSC police vigorously enforce state marijuana laws regarding minors, public spaces and driving under the influence	Police and UCSC	SCPD recently trained on improved drug and alcohol recognition techniques, working with UCSC on drug intervention programming, and staffs in-house juvenile probation officer who focuses on youth drug crimes and restorative justice	Continue programs	O
Strategic Code Enforcement					
44	Reduce the number of high-risk alcohol outlets	Multiple City Departments	SCPD and Planning Department researching changes to definition of high-risk alcohol outlets to accurately reflect risk levels	Staff anticipate bringing forward policy considerations to City Council by late 2014/early 2015	O
45	Prohibit cultivation and processing of marijuana in residential properties in Santa Cruz.	Multiple City Departments	City has not pursued this option	PSC noted that more information is required to understand nature of the issue	NP
46	Code enforcement explore revisions to zoning ordinance regarding indoor agriculture and city should support landlords in eviction process against tenants who have made illegal/unsafe modifications to support indoor agriculture	Multiple City Departments	City has not pursued this option	PSC noted that more information is required to understand nature of the issue	NP
47	Fund additional code enforcement officers with an emphasis on life-threatening violations and public safety	Planning	City hiring manager of code enforcement, and funded new code enforcement positions in FY 2015	Fill new Code Enforcement positions	C
48	Review and implement strict parking and overnight camping ordinance related to RVs on City streets. Increase enforcement of existing municipal code isolations related to RV parking	Multiple City Departments	City staff reviewing existing parking ordinances and enforcement efforts and best practices from other jurisdictions	Staff continuing review of options and will issue an informational report to City Council in late 2014/early 2015	C

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49	Implement time limit within selected City owned/operated parking spaces and lots along West Cliff and East Cliff during daylight hours	Multiple City Departments	No progress to date. City focused on other parking/nuisance issues at this time	Potential future Council discussion	NP
50	Coordinate with California State Parks on nuisance issues	Multiple City Departments	City routinely coordinates with California State Parks to address issues on their beaches and property within the city limits	Continue efforts	O
51	Explore relocation of recycling center from Harvey West to another area of the City	Multiple City Departments	Staff reviewing existing recycling center	City to work with business owner to permit activity and mitigate negative impacts stemming from their operation	O
52	City Council work with Code Enforcement to reduce and reform medical marijuana dispensaries	City Council	City currently only allows two dispensaries, modest number compared to many other California cities	PSC noted that more information is required to understand nature of the issue	O
53	Consider reactivating the SCPD's Alcohol Education Monitoring and Compliance Program Officer to collaborate with State Alcohol and Beverage Control (ABC), all other government, non-government and community groups to address the alcohol issue	Police	Alcohol Education Monitoring and Compliance Program is active, working to mitigate impacts of high-risk alcohol outlets	Continue program	O
54	Develop and implement new web-based reporting process for code enforcement with a priority on public safety	Multiple City Departments	City hiring manager of code enforcement, charged with reviewing opportunities to improve communication of issues from the public	Fill Code Enforcement Manager position and review reporting options	O
55	Where statute allows, implement cost recovery from the responsible party for police response and enforcement of misdemeanor and/or felony convictions and drunk in public arrests	Multiple City Departments	City Council could direct staff to review this option, however, there may be an issue of ability to pay for many of the offenders	Council review - PSC did not provide a recommendation	NP
56	Develop or increase penalties for property owners that refuse to address habitual code compliance violations	Planning	City hiring manager of code enforcement, charged with reviewing fees/penalties for infractions, repeat offenders	Fill Code Enforcement Manager position	NP
57	Penalties (like party house ordinance) for high crime residential addresses. Three (3) violations in six months will be charged with a municipal code misdemeanor (also including 647Fs)	Planning	City hiring manager of code enforcement, charged with reviewing fees/penalties for infractions, repeat offenders. City does recover costs with code enforcement cases	Fill Code Enforcement Manager position	NP
58	In all commercial and agricultural rental agreements, there shall be written permission from the landlord to grow or process marijuana on the property	Planning	No progress to date	PSC noted that more information is required to understand nature of the issue	NP

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Offender Assistance with Accountability					
59	County create a specialty court model for substance abusers, veterans, mentally ill and other offenders	Superior Court	Addressed through the Downtown Accountability Program (DAP discussed in separate September 9, 2014 City Council meeting agenda item)	PSC Committee recommends extending DAP pilot to the end of FY 2015	O
60	City and County form multi-disciplinary team to reduce recidivism amongst chronic offenders by developing intervention and accountability plans for offenders	City and County	Addressed through the Downtown Accountability Program (DAP discussed in separate September 9, 2014 City Council meeting agenda item)	PSC Committee recommends extending DAP pilot to the end of FY 2015 and that Council hold a Study Session on City-County collaborative efforts in fall/winter of FY 2015	O
61	City work with Homeless Services Center to minimize unintended negative impacts of homeless services to the Santa Cruz community, while maximizing programmatic effectiveness	City Manager's Office and Police	City staff continually working with HSC staff to reduce impacts and promote a safe campus	Gate installation, ID program implemented by Sept/Oct 2014; increasing coordination with City	O
62	Work with County to increase funding to facilitate Rountree as a coerced treatment facility for serial inebriates/substance abusers, and as a mental health treatment center for County inmates already in custody	County	Bulk of the Rountree facility to be converted to classroom, programming space, and visitation to provide space for continued in-custody programming. City in discussion with Sheriff regarding drug and alcohol treatment space	City staff reviewing options for drug treatment programming with County	O
Criminal Justice System Accountability					
63	Court automatically issue misdemeanor warrants after three failures to appear on municipal code infractions within a six-month period	Superior Court	City and Court working together to address most chronic failures to appear, Downtown Accountability Program also address failure to appear cases	Continue efforts	O
64	Presiding Judge of the Santa Cruz County Superior Court appear before the City Council twice a year to share how Court is addressing recidivism rates	Superior Court	The former Presiding Judge stated through a letter to the Task Force that the Court will not appear before City Council due to constitutionality considerations	No next steps	NP
65	Publicly available reporting on Santa Cruz Superior Court judges' decision records	Superior Court	City Council and the Board of Supervisors could make this request of the Court	Council review - PSC did not provide a recommendation	NP
66	Compel Santa Cruz County Probation Chief to appear before City Council twice per year to inform what the Probation Dept is doing to address probation-related offenses on adult chronic offenders	County	According to the County, the Probation Chief provides relevant data to the City and partners through the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) meetings and is willing to appear before the City Council as circumstances require	PSC recommend City Council hold a Study Session focused on the City-County public safety collaborations (such as SIP, DAP, MOST) and include the Probation Chief and other key County staff and officials in the discussion	NP

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67	Grand Jury investigation (external review) of the current Santa Cruz Superior Court bench as it relates to the use of discretionary power of sentencing of offenders	Grand Jury	The City does not direct the Grand Jury's decisions on inquiries	No next steps	NP
68	More jail space for short term incarceration post-conviction	County	Jail is currently over capacity, and therefore has insufficient space to house low-level offenders. They are diverted to alternative forms of custody, including County's Work Release program	No next steps	NP
69	City hire a part-time or full-time paralegal to process failure to appears on municipal code violations	City Manager's Office and City Atto	City Attorney has paralegal assistance for these efforts, but could hire additional paralegal or attorneys, and would bill the City for that work	Council review - PSC did not provide a recommendation	NP
70	City develop 3 or more non judicial mechanisms to deal with 3 failures to appear	City Attorney	Through the DAP, instituting a work program to encourage pro-social activities for repeat offenders	Work program launches in Oct. 2014, through Justice Reinvestment Initiative Grant	O
71	Work with County Probation to improve transparency of AB109 released prisoners into the county. Recommend County increase staffing levels of probation officers for adult population to adequately deal with AB109	County	The Probation Department will continue to provide the Community Corrections Partnership and public with outcome data related to the AB 109 population	Review County Report as part of the proposed City-County study session	O
72	Recommend that the County Jail has access to funds for transportation in order for inmates to return to community of origin whenever possible, unless they are released on their own recognizance (ROR).	Sheriff's Office	This has been implemented by the Sheriff's Office	Staff will seek program statistics from the Sheriff	O
Major Theme #3: Collaborative Accountability and Appropriate Funding					
73	City contact relevant agencies regarding the Public Safety Citizen Task Force report and recommendations	City Manager's Office	City continuing to coordinate with partner agencies referenced in Public Safety Task Force report and recommendations	Continue coordination with relevant external agencies	O
74	City Council and County Board of Supervisors consider an alternative funding mechanism to fund existing and new programs/initiatives/recommendations identified in the Task Force recommendations	City and County	No progress to date. City focused on using existing resources and modest new resources to fund top priority recommendations	PSC recommends including a discussion of staffing and funding levels and coordination between City-County at the proposed Study Session on City-County public safety collaborations	NP
75	Evaluate Measure E funding for specific use of clean-up programs on the San Lorenzo Riverway	Public Works	Public Works continually evaluating opportunities to use Measure E funds to address nuisance issues related to water quality, funds 10-15 community cleanups annually along Riverway	Continue efforts	O

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76	City consider using municipal code violation revenue to specifically deal with recidivists violations	City Attorney	City receives minimal amount of revenue		NP
77	City should tie distribution of Community Development Block Grant as it relates to public safety to results-based programs and require measurable deliverables	Multiple City Departments	CDBG requires significant reporting of fund usage and outcomes; opportunity to expand efforts to evaluate results of community programs funding	Continue efforts	O