

Subcommittee Elgin Police Department Allocation of Resources Meeting #1 Minutes

Attendees: Calhamer, Blanchard, Habun, Chief Lalley, Rivera, Arreola, Brockway, Flikema, Councilwoman Powell, Zaldivar

Subcommittee Assessing the Elgin Police Department's Allocation of Resources

Date: Thursday, January 6th, 2022

Time: 5pm

Zoom:

<https://kearnswest.zoom.us/j/85975314524?pwd=dHY4bEJGelUvRzNCeHVCUHA5MTM2Zz09>

Meeting Objectives:

- Clarify goals of subcommittee
- Discuss key pieces of information needed for deliberations
- Discuss existing allocation of resources (pre-meeting reading if possible)

Discussion Agreements:

- Speak for yourself about what has heart and meaning
- Honor the agenda or modify by agreement
- Learn from and understand each other's perspective
- Be respectful, candid, and constructive
- Provide balance of speaking time
- Test assumptions by asking questions
- Explore innovative solutions based upon common interests
- Strive to resolve differences and seek common ground
- Discuss topics together rather than in isolation
- Limit side conversations and actively participate

Agenda

| Time (CT) | Topic | Notes |
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| 5:00pm | Call to Order, Role Call, and Agenda Review | Meeting was called to order @5:01PM. The Agenda was approved by consensus. |
| 5:05pm | Public Comment <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Any member of the public who wishes to address the task force may do so via Elgin City Hall</i> | There are no community members at City Hall. |

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| 5:10pm | Getting to Know Each Other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In one sentence, state why you want to be part of this subcommittee? What direct experience have you had with how the Elgin Police Department allocates resources that informs your service on this subcommittee? | Subcommittee members shared their experiences with the Elgin Police Department that prompted them to join this subcommittee. |
| 5:25 pm | Discuss and Confirm Scope of Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using the ordinance and task force scope of work as guidance, what should be the focus of this subcommittee? What do you want to understand better? | <p>Most of the concerns that were shared by members of the subcommittee are loaded in the Box for review and members are encouraged to reference the Box for detailed information.</p> <p>Subcommittee members want to focus on mental health and the Elgin Police Department budget and it's efficiencies.</p> |
| 5:35 pm | Break (if needed) | Subcommittee agreed to continue with discussion |
| 5:40 pm | Discuss and Confirm Scope of Work Continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify requests for information Identify key questions for subcommittee to answer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subcommittee members requested a robust copy of the unit contract and how Elgin Police Department addresses mental health. The contract and partnerships with the center. Information on grants that were received. A spreadsheet on the Elgin Police Department personnel. Training of officers and monies allocated for that. Can changes be made without increasing the budget? What jobs have been created/reduced due to budget restraints. |
| 5:55 pm | Wrap up & Next Steps | <p>Subcommittee agreed tentatively to reconvene in two weeks, email will follow.</p> <p>Subcommittee to continue to send up questions and/or concerns for Chief Lally's review.</p> <p>Review material that is loaded in Box.</p> |

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| | Meeting was adjourned @6:06pm |
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Notes from initial Task Force meeting:

- Understand the purpose of acquiring certain forms of police equipment, including military equipment
- Allocation of funding to train young people to deal with conflict and mentorship?
- Changes that can be made that would not increase the police budget—feasible?
- Funding for mental health intervention, crisis intervention training
- Are any EPD positions vacant due to budget constraints? Have any new positions been created and, if so, what was the justification for each new position?