

## Community Safety Task Force Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, August 1, 2022 Time: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

### I. Welcome & Attendance

a. Establishment of Quorum (need 3 members)

**Present:** CSTF Members: Ben Gear, Barbara Fedders and Frances Henderson

Council: Barbara Foushee, Damon Seils and Sammy Slade

Staff: Anita Jones-McNair, Rebecca Buzzard and Chris Atack

Facilitators: Jamall Kinard, Thomas Johnson-Bean

**Absent:** CSTF Members: Maddie Hayes and George Barrett

**II. Approval of the June 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes** - Motion to approve made by Ben Gear; Frances Henderson seconded. All in favor (3).

**III. Recap of the last meeting** - Barbara Fedders provided a recap of the last meeting resulting in a clear direction moving forward – facilitators work with chair/vice chair to set agenda and facilitate task force meeting conversations. Next, listening sessions with community where task force members and facilitators facilitate community conversation(s). Discuss logistics at a later date.

**IV. Discuss Ways that Education, Housing and Public Safety (systems) exploits, excludes, underserves and otherwise oppresses poor people and communities** – the need to analyze our system(s) – overlay a critical lens on rules and processes. An emphasis should be on tangible action items. Capitalism, retail banking and education immediately came to mind. Education includes future readiness, testing, curriculum and suspension practices/percentages. Healthcare issues center around access and awareness. Public Safety includes disparities, mass incarceration, practices in place and allyship. Housing – direct services, partnership, funding and critical home repair.

**V. Next Steps – Programs to Address/Eliminate Disparities Created by Poverty** – Staff presented powerpoint presentation. (placed in shared file folder) Next was a discussion on Fish (system), Lake (people) and Groundwater(system change – cultural change).

**VI. What's Next - September and October** – Accountability, Transparency and Collective Power

**VII. Selection of New Vice-Chair** – recommendation to postpone.

**VIII. Date and Format for Next Meeting** – because next meeting falls on the Labor Day holiday, the task force will decide on another date to meet or identify another way to keep the work moving.

**VII. Adjourn** - Barb Fedders moved to adjourn, Frances Henderson seconded, all in favor.