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Substitute resolution urging consideration of the impact on youth of the operations and programs of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

..Analysis

This resolution urges the Mayor and the Common Council to consider youth and experience with youth programs in the selection and appointment of members to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. The resolution further urges the Fire and Police Commission and its Director to address issues affecting youth in regular communications to the Common Council.

Finally, the resolution urges the Common Council, the Mayor and appropriate City officials to continue to solicit youth involvement and comment on issues affecting public safety and to pursue new avenues to expand the role of youth in public safety policy and programs.

..Body

Whereas, The City Youth Council is charged with the responsibility to assess and evaluate community needs and resources relative to the protection and promotion of city youth and communicate those assessments and evaluations to the Common Council and Mayor; and

Whereas, It is the further responsibility of the City Youth Council to encourage and assist in studies designed to evaluate and recommend changes in laws, policies, procedures and practices for the purpose of improving community conditions and promoting wholesome youth development; and

Whereas, Section 62.50, Wis. Stats., requires the City to establish a board of fire and police commissioners comprised of members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Common Council; and

Whereas, Section 62.50, Wis. Stats., and s. 314-3 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances require the Board of Fire and police Commissioners to conduct policy review of all aspects of the Police and Fire Departments, audit internal Police and Fire Departments to ensure thorough, fair and credible results, monitor citizen complaints and identify systemic problems within the Police and Fire Departments identifying opportunities for improvement; and

Whereas, Youth and young people less than 25 years of age are disproportionately both the victims and the perpetrators of crime, particularly violent crime; and

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..Drafter

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