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Resolution relating to the creation of a Community Collaborative Committee.

This resolution creates a Community Collaborative Committee to gather and review community feedback on building trust between law enforcement and city residents and on the United States Department of Justice draft report on the Milwaukee Police Department and Fire and Police Commission, and based on that feedback, to develop priorities for addressing recommendations in the report and solutions to issues raised in the draft report.

Whereas, From January to October of 2016, the United States Department of Justice (US DOJ) performed an assessment of the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) and the Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission (FPC); and

Whereas, While the assessment was terminated and no final report was issued, a draft report summarizing the US DOJ's assessment included more than 100 recommendations for actions the MPD and FPC should take to improve transparency and accountability and to build relationships with the community; and

Whereas, The Common Council, through the Milwaukee Collaborative Community Committee, has sponsored a series of "community hub" meetings throughout Milwaukee for community groups and residents to share their experiences with police and crime in Milwaukee, their thoughts on how to change police department operations to improve trust between law enforcement and city residents, and to discuss the US DOJ draft report's findings and recommendations; and

Whereas, Likewise, the Fire and Police Commission established an on-line community feedback portal for soliciting comments and feedback from members of the community in response to the ideas and recommendations discussed in the US DOJ report; and

Whereas, To ensure that the voices of community members are heard and given appropriate weight when recommending priorities and solutions for changes to MPD and FPC policies so as to build trust between law enforcement and city residents, a formal body is needed to gather and review inperson and on-line community feedback, and prepare a report for presentation to the Fire and Police Commission and the Common Council; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that a Community Collaborative Committee is created; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Community Collaborative Committee is established to:

- 1. Gather and review in-person and on-line community feedback, suggestions and comments in relation to the recommendations and other issues addressed in the United States Department of Justice draft report on the Milwaukee Police Department and Fire and Police Commission.
- 2. Based on this community feedback, determine which recommendations should be prioritized and develop solutions to the issues addressed in the draft report.
- 3. Prepare a report summarizing the community feedback and the Committee's suggestions for priorities and solutions, and present the report to the Fire and Police Commission and the Common Council.
- ; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the size, membership, and terms of office of the Committee will be established by the Common Council President and filed with the office of the City Clerk; and, be it

Further Resolved, That all City departments are directed to assist the Committee in carrying out its mission; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Clerk's Office shall staff the Committee.

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