



Legislation Text

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Receive Recommendations of the Re-Imagining Community Safety Task Force.

Staff:

Loryn Clark, Deputy Town Manager
Chris Blue, Police Chief/Executive Director of Community Safety
Sarah Vinas, Interim Director

Department:

Manager’s Office
Police Department
Housing and Community

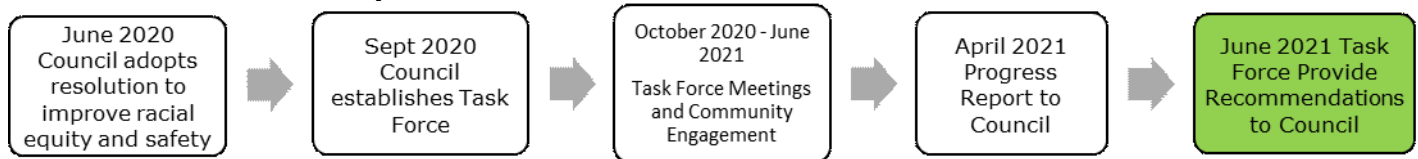
Overview: This item presents the [Re-Imagining Community Safety Task Forces](http://www.townofchapelhill.org/reimaginecommunitysafety) <<http://www.townofchapelhill.org/reimaginecommunitysafety>> recommendations for improving racial equity and community safety in Chapel Hill.

☆ **Recommendation(s):**

That the Council receive this report from the Re-Imagining Community Safety Task Force and refer to the Manager.

Fiscal Impact/Resources: The Council approved \$100,000 in the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for implementation of the Task Force’s recommendations. Additional resource needs will be determined as the Town moves into the implementation phase.

Where is this item in its process?



Proposed Next Steps

- Based on direction from the Council and Manager, staff will develop an Action Plan for Implementation, including specific timeframes, performance measures, resource needs, implementation partners for the Task Force recommendations.
- Establish a framework for regular reporting to the Council and community to show our progress in implementing the Task Force recommendations.

Attachments:

- Resolution
- Community Engagement Summary Report
- Task Force Final Report

A RESOLUTION TO RECEIVE THE FINDINGS OF THE RE-IMAGINING COMMUNITY SAFETY TASK FORCE, AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT NEXT STEPS, AND DISSOLVE THE TASK FORCE (2021-06-23/R-12)

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2020, the Town Council adopted a resolution on developing new approaches to improve racial equity and public safety in Chapel Hill; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council established a Task Force in September of 2020 to Re-Imagine Community Safety in Chapel Hill; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Task Force is to bring forth concrete, actionable recommendations to the Town Council that will achieve the following:

- 1) Increase public safety
- 2) Eliminate structural inequities in Town public safety systems; and
- 3) Enable all in the community to thrive; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force met 16 times over an eight-month period, sharing their own experiences, hearing from outside experts, and analyzing information from a variety of sources; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force developed a final report outlining specific and actionable recommendations that aim to increase public safety, eliminate structural inequities in Town public safety systems, and enable all in the community to thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council receive this report and refer the Task Force's recommendations to the Manager.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council thank each of the Task Force members for their time and dedication to the process and offer our deepest appreciation for sharing their expertise, ideas, and lived experiences to inform the recommendations before the Council this evening. The Task Force members include:

Delores Bailey
Robert Campbell
Jamesha Cannon-Phillips
Marcus Farrow
Emma Ferriola-Bruckenstein
Desmond Frierson
Jaclyn Gilstrap
Tye Hunter
Paris Miller Foushee
Heather Nash
Eliazar Posada
Ehmu Ra
Jeremy Roberson
Matthew Sullivan
Shugong Wang

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council finds that the Task Force has fulfilled its charge, its work is deemed complete, and the Task Force is dissolved.

This the 23rd day of June, 2021.

The Agenda will reflect the text below and/or the motion text will be used during the meeting.

PRESENTER: Jaclyn Gilstrap and Paris Miller Foushee, Re-Imagining Community Safety Task Force Members

RECOMMENDATION: That the Council receive this report and refer the Task Force's recommendations to the Manager.