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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

February 13, 2019

12:00 p.m. CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
Harris Hall, 125 East 8th Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97401

Meeting of February 13, 2019;
Her Honor Mayor Lucy Vinis Presiding

Councilors

Betty Taylor, President
Mike Clark
Chris Pryor
Jennifer Yeh

Emily Semple, Vice President
Greg Evans
Claire Syrett
Alan Zelenka

12:00 p.m. EUGENE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
Harris Hall, 125 East 8th Avenue
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1. WORK SESSION: Community Safety Revenue Team Update

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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Work Session: Community Safety Revenue Team Update

Meeting Date: February 13, 2019
Department: Central Services
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Agenda Item Number: 1
Staff Contact: Kristie Hammitt
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ISSUE STATEMENT

The purpose of this work session is to provide the City Council with an update on the progress of the Community Safety Initiative and the Revenue Team.

BACKGROUND

At the September 26, 2018, work session on Community Safety, staff provided an update on Community Safety funding options, community outreach efforts, and results of an online survey. The presentation included strategies and funding packages to address community safety system gaps and desired outcomes identified by the council. The City Council unanimously passed a motion to include \$8.6 million in Supplemental Budget #1. This one-time, 18-month bridge funding strategy supports prevention efforts and services for youth and people experiencing homelessness as well as police and emergency response services. The funding includes expanding prevention programs that help move at-risk youth and chronic offenders toward stable lives and away from the jail and the courtroom, and adding police officers, 911 dispatchers and jail beds.

Council also gave direction to immediately begin work on long-term funding strategies to address critical community safety needs based on the identified strategies. A Community Safety Revenue Team was formed to develop a recommendation for the City Manager. The Revenue Team includes Councilors Pryor, Semple, and Yeh, current and former Budget Committee Members Scott Nowicki, Eliza Kashinsky, John Barofsky, and Laura Illig as well as Bill Whalen from the Police Commission. The team began meeting in November 2018 and has been working to develop funding options to fund Community Safety strategies of \$22 million on an on-going basis.

The Revenue Team began with a high level overview of Community Safety System needs and funding strategies as well as information from a July 2018 Manross Survey related to voter awareness and support for the Community Safety Initiative. The Team reviewed 25 funding options summarized in the 2014 Revenue Team report. The Team also received an update on property tax compression issues and discussed criteria to evaluate funding options related to yield, sustainability, Triple Bottom Line, administrative effort, nexus with community safety, fairness and feasibility to begin narrowing the field. Next, the team used the criteria to discuss nine higher-yield revenue options before asking for more specific information on three options, including Payroll Tax, Public Safety Fee, and Utility Consumption Tax.

The Revenue Team will meet again on February 1, 2019, to finalize their recommendation to the City Manager. The work of the Revenue Team and their recommendation will be discussed at this work session.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

[Eugene City Council Work Session: September 26, 2018](#)

[Eugene City Council Wednesday Work Session: July 18, 2018](#)

[Eugene City Council Wednesday Work Session: May 16, 2018](#)

[Eugene City Council Public Hearing and Work Session: February 20, 2018](#)

COUNCIL OPTIONS

This is an informational work session only.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

None

SUGGESTED MOTION

None

ATTACHMENTS

None

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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