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October 27, 2020

To: Mayor Nan Whaley
Commissioner Matt Joseph
Commissioner Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr.
Commissioner Darryl Fairchild

From: Commissioner Christopher L. Shaw

Re: Police Reform Working Group Recommendations

On October 22, 2020, the Community Engagement working group voted to put forward the following recommendation to the Dayton City Commission:

In order to minimize the frequency of contact between the public and police officers in enforcement settings, this Working Group recommends dispatching alternative responders for non-violent calls on issues including, but not limited to: mental health, homelessness, drug addiction, panhandling, and intoxication.

In implementing this policy, the Working Group also recommends hiring and/or procuring alternative responders that are culturally sensitive and represent the communities they serve.

Per the working group's charter, the Dayton City Commission has 30 days to respond to the group with one of three options: accept the recommendation, reject the recommendation, or ask the group for further information to be able to evaluate the recommendation.

Accepting this recommendation does not mean that it will be implemented within the 30 day time window. Instead, it means that the City Commission directs the City Manager, Dayton Police Department, or other applicable entity to take action to implement this recommendation as soon as is practicable.

Thank you for your consideration of this recommendation.

Sincerely,

Christopher L. Shaw, Commissioner

Cc: Ms. Dickstein
Mr. Parlette
Ms. Lofton
Ms. Doseck
Ms. Walker
Chief Biehl