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April 1, 2021

TO: Police Reform Working Group- Community Engagement

FROM: Ariel Walker
Director, Office of the City Commission

RE: Recommendation on Community Engagement

On February 18, 2021 the Community Engagement Working Group voted to put forward the following recommendations to the Dayton City Commission:

1. Juvenile Miranda Waiver Prohibition- no interviewing, questioning, or allowing children to waive their Miranda rights without an attorney present.
2. Alternative Juvenile Response- alternative responders are dispatched on all juvenile calls.

In reference to the recommendation regarding a prohibition on juveniles waiving their Miranda rights without a parent or attorney present, the City Commission requests an additional 90 days to gather and evaluate information on how this recommendation can be operationalized. Staff discussions have raised a variety of questions that require coordination with outside agencies including the Prosecutor's Office, the Public Defender's Office, Juvenile Courts, and others. The additional time will allow staff to align the resources necessary to fully respond to this recommendation.

In reference to the recommendation regarding an alternative response model for calls for service involving a juvenile, the City Commission Agrees. This recommendation works collaboratively with the Community Engagement Working Group's recommendation from November 24, 2020 to establish an Alternative Responder Model. However, the current regional dispatch system utilized by the City of Dayton does not categorize calls for service in the way that would allow for immediate implementation of this recommendation. The City is committed to utilizing the Mobile Crisis Response Team when appropriate until the Alternative Responder Model can be fully implemented. The City Commission directs the City Manager and DPD to include response to calls that involve a juvenile in the analysis being conducted regarding alternative response.

As all five Reform Committees continue their work and make recommendations, the City Commission is committed to providing updates during the due diligence and implementation process.

Thank you for your work on behalf of the City of Dayton.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ariel Walker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ariel Walker

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