



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Meeting Agenda - Final City Council

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

**Budget Meeting: Fire, EMS, Police
Equipment and Capital Projects Fund if applicable**

Roll Call

Public Safety Budget Discussion: Fire, EMS, Police

FIRE/EMS

- How effective are the companies used to repair vehicles and other equipment? I was made aware in the past that sometimes repairs are not always made swiftly?
- Has doing repairs in house been considered from a cost benefit perspective?
- What type of body armor do paramedics need?
- What are examples of fire safety education involvement? How will this be adapted due to covid?
- What grants do fire and ems receive on an annual basis to cover what kind of line items?

POLICE

Page 104 0001-06-Line 2-How much was spent and budgeted in pre-covid years? What do officers do during event nights? non-event nights at the arena? How often?

Page 107 Lines 18-23-Other than Amazon Prime, what are these?

0001-34 Line 7- Is this SRO's? What kind of training do they receive?

Line 9-What training does the Chief receive on an annual basis? last year?

Line 11- What does this consist of? Who takes this? How often?

0001-40 Lines 1-4-Why are these specific events line items as opposed to others?

Page 108 Line 5-How many claims were there last year?

Lines 19 & 20-How many cars are equipped? Are they on all of the time? Is this footage under Act 22 as well?

Line 27-How effective has this been? Tips? Results?

Page 109 Line 32- What is Genetec Advantage?

Line 8-Please explain what this is?

Line 9- With schools being virtual, there are not any crossing guards. How has the contract been effected? Can it be modified due to covid?

0001-50 Line 4-Other than hiring, under what circumstances does drug testing occur? Does this include marijuana?

Line 5-Where do recruiting and job fairs occur?

Page 110 0001-56 Lines 12,15-What are these? Are hat shields different from helmets?

Line 10-What's the life cycle? How many need replaced?

Page 111 0001-68 Lines 19-How much ammo is used each year? for what? (practice, training, subduing a person..)

Lines 23 & 24- How often do officers need to wear a gas mask in the last several years?

Page 112 0001-72 Line 8-How many tasers do we have? Under what circumstances are these used vs a gun?

Page 113 Line 11-Please explain why there are two line items for tasers

Line 8- How many do we have? Are these replacements? How do they fit into the overall patrol/crime prevention program

Line 9 & 10-Under what circumstances are rifles used? How many do we have?

Does this require special training for use during patrol?

Page 114-Please describe what this crisis negotiation team does? Training? Who is on it?

Goals-Have the part 1 and 2 crimes decreased by 5%? How was 5% chosen as the

metric?

- What is the clearance rate for violent crime?
- What does the crime prevention program consist of?
- Increase the number of closed investigations...is this internal or crimes?
- How do you increase the number of successful prosecutions in criminal

cases?

-What does, "deliver specialized law enforcement services..." mean in more tangible terms/examples? How is this done?

Page 115- Are administrative investigations the same as internal? How was this metric determined?

- How will the role of Community Intervention Specialist/Mental Health Liaison work?
- What accountability measures are there for officers to intervene especially after they are trained through ABLE?
- What is the community policing plan?

Page 117-What trainings do officers undergo at the academy?

Page 122- One of the goals listed is crime prevention. Is this Anti-Crime (cameras) under that category of crime prevention?

How often does camera footage lead to solving a crime?

Is there data that indicates that cameras are effective in every neighborhood?

Page 124-body cams

-Is body cam usage mandated? What are consequences for not using or turning them off?

-How often over the last 5 years has body cam footage been released to the public?

-The policy concerning investigations of police officers seems to indicate that the goal is to clear the officer? Could you please speak to this?

General Questions:

-What trainings were completed last year? How were they paid for? What ranks participated? ---Who did the training? Which ones were mandated vs voluntary? What ones are planned for 2021?

-Do we have data yet about the following:

- Types of calls percentages (mental health, D&A, traffic accidents, domestic, murders...)
- Traffic stops disaggregated by ethnicity/race and gender identity
- Terry Stop/Stop and Frisks disaggregated by ethnicity/race and gender identity
- Are there any systemic and/or policy changes within the police department that are needed within APD?

-I remember the chief mentioning that he was reviewing policies. How is that going? Have any changed or been added?

-Internally what has been done to ensure that officers of color and women are in a healthy climate within APD?

-We recently voted on grants that will go towards more uniforms, ballistic helmets and shields. Are there annual or regular grants that APD typically receives that go towards the line items in the detailed book? If so, what are they?

Police Budget

Attachments: Budget Pres Police

Budget Schedule and Memos

Attachments:[BM 1 - Personnel](#)[Budget Schedule FV](#)**ADJOURN**

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