

Exhibit A

Establishment of the Portland Street Response Committee

The Portland Street Response Committee (“PSRC” or “Committee”) will:

1. Formally advise the City Council, including through the Community and Public Safety (CAPS) Committee, on issues related to Portland Street Response.
2. Additionally provide input as needed or upon request to the Mayor, City Administrator, Deputy City Administrator for Public Safety, Program Manager for Portland Street Response, or any additional staff as designated by the above.
3. Provide its first report and recommendations to the City Council, including through the Community and Public Safety (CAPS) Committee, within six months of appointment.
4. Conduct research, invite experts to participate, and receive public testimony.
5. Invite and seek out subject matter experts to inform their work, including experts on behavioral and mental health, first responder programs addressing the needs of people with behavioral and mental health issues, 911 telecommunications, and other first response systems including policing. These experts shall include people who are experiencing homelessness and people who have experienced behavioral health crises. These experts may include labor leadership.
6. Meet at least once per month.

The Council will:

7. Offer an opportunity, with sufficient time for input from the Committee given its volunteer membership, for the Committee to advise on proposed changes to City Code related to Portland Street Response.
8. Invite testimony from the Committee when discussing Portland Street Response at a Council committee or full Council meeting.
9. Provide for sufficient support for the Committee to be successful, including required staff support and other resources including a volunteer stipend.

The Portland Street Response Committee (“PSRC” or “Committee”) may:

10. Receive attorney-client privileged information (as needed) in a private forum from the City Attorney’s office regarding any labor matters under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Act and/or collective bargaining agreements.
11. Seek advice as needed from the City Attorney’s office and Office of Equity and Human Rights to ensure that its recommendations comply with relevant legal requirements, the City’s Core Values, and other equity and human rights considerations.
12. Present to the City Council, through its Community and Public Safety Committee, quarterly on its progress following the initial six-month report.

13. Recommend to the City Council any changes to the parameters established in this exhibit (or subsequent City Code) that they believe are important to the success of the Committee.

The Portland Street Response Committee (“PSRC” or “Committee”) may NOT:

14. Be privy to or share confidential PSR client information.