

#1-C0210-20

Government Operations, Public Safety & Public Service Committee  
January 7, 2021

The Committee on Government Operations, Public Safety & Public Service met on Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 6pm remotely through the Zoom web application.

Members present were Councilor Stephanie Martins, presiding and Councilors John Hanlon and Michael Mclaughlin.

Member absent was Councilor Michael Marchese.

The Committee considered a Resolution offered by Councilor Gerly Adrien: To request the June 2019 to December 2019 E911 calls to review what other services could have solved the issue instead of sending a police officer or what social service could have helped fix the problem.

Councilor Gerly Adrien, the Sponsor, was invited but was not present. Communication received from Police Chief Steve Mazzie that he would be unable to attend due to illness.

Chairperson Martins informed the Committee that Chief Mazzie had sent a lengthy email to the Sponsor and all the Committee members on December 7<sup>th</sup> addressing the issue as well as responding to comments raised at the Committee's November 16<sup>th</sup> extensive meeting on the same subject matter. She noted that the Diversity Committee was already working with the Police Chief on this issue and suggested that this Committee could either refer the matter to the Diversity Committee or could refer back to Sponsor based on the response already received from the Police Chief to the Sponsor and Committee members. Councilor Hanlon stated that the he was not in favor of this proposal and did not want to refer it to another Committee. Councilor Mclaughlin suggested that the Committee could lay the matter over until the June 2021 Committee meeting to determine if any further discussions are needed at that time.

The Committee voted: To grant further time to the June 2021 Committee meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley  
Clerk of Committees

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Members present were Councilor Stephanie Martins, presiding and Councilors John Hanlon and Michael McLaughlin.

Member absent was Councilor Michael Marchese.

The Committee considered a Resolution offered by Councilors Michael McLaughlin and Fred Capone: That the Director of Public Works attend this meeting to discuss street signage and a aggressive plan to replace many of the signs that are no longer readable across the City.

Jerry Navarra, Director of Public Works was also present.

Councilor McLaughlin explained that he had observed many signs throughout the City that have faded over time and did not want to see residents penalized for not being able to read what the sign says. He acknowledged that he had seen some new signage being installed and wanted to know what the game plan was to do sign replacement as a city of the whole. Mr. Navarra responded that the new signage that was observed was done in house, but noted he had concerns over the amount of man-hours it was taking to do the work so he was now looking to put the work out to bid. Councilor McLaughlin inquired to how many signs were in the City and Mr. Navarra stated that he believed it to be in excess of 10,000 signs. Councilor McLaughlin noted that there were some specific signs that were definitely not readable and asked if those could get immediate attention and Mr. Navarra agreed to do so.

The Committee voted: To grant further time for 60 days to get an update on the signage replacement progress.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley  
Clerk of Committees

#3-C0421-20

Government Operations, Public Safety & Public Service Committee  
January 7, 2021

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Members present were Councilor Stephanie Martins, presiding and Councilors John Hanlon and Michael McLaughlin.

Member absent was Councilor Michael Marchese.

The Committee considered a Resolution offered by Councilor Stephanie Martins: That the Everett Community Aid Network (ECAN) provide information on how community members have been assisting fellow neighbors and how individuals might reach out for help.

Chairperson Martins informed the Committee that the invited guests had a conflict with being present at tonight's meeting and she requested that the matter be laid over until the next committee meeting.

The Committee voted: To grant further time to the next committee meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley  
Clerk of Committees