City Manager’s Taskforce to Examine the Future of Public Safety in Cambridge
Meeting Agenda
March 9, 2021
5:00pm to 7:00pm EST

I. Welcome / Attendance (Councillor McGovern/Councillor Simmons)

II. Presentation (Commissioner Bard) – 20 to 30 minutes per presentation

- The Black Response, Queen-Cheyenne Wade
- CPD’s Homeless Outreach Response, Deputy Superintendent Robert Lowe, Sr. and Officer Eric Helberg
- The Department of Human Service Programs, Ellen Semonoff, Assistant City Manager for Human Services for the City of Cambridge

III. Proposed Work Plan and Expectations (Councillor McGovern/Councillor Simmons)

- Boundaries and expectations for the group members

IV. Next Steps (Councillor McGovern/Councillor Simmons)

- Upcoming Presentations (Internal):
  - 3/16/21: American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts, Rahsaan D. Hall, Esq.
  - 3/23/21: Community Cohesion, Dr. Robert Sampson, Harvard University
  - TBD: Boston Emergency Services Team (provides a comprehensive, highly integrated system of crisis evaluation and treatment services to children, adolescents, adults, including the elderly, the homeless, mentally ill and the multi-cultural populations).

External:

  - 4/7/21 @ 4:30pm: Reimagining Community Safety - CAHOOTS - Tim Black, Director of Consulting at White Bird Clinic
    (Zoom registration link)

- New Business

- Next scheduled meeting – March 16th at 5pm