



City of Clarksville

Public Safety Committee

September 18, 2024 at 4:00 PM
City Hall Conference Room

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The City of Clarksville Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order by Councilperson Brian Zacharias on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 4:00 PM. Mr. Zacharias stated for the record that a quorum was present.

2. Announce Members in Attendance (verify quorum)

COUNCILPERSONS

PRESENT:

Councilperson Brian Zacharias
Councilperson Keri Lovato
Councilperson Amber Marquis

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ABSENT:

Chairperson Wallace Redd
Councilperson Joe Shakeenab

OTHERS PRESENT:

Justin Crosby, Director of Building and Codes
David Crockarell, Chief of Clarksville Police Department
Freddie Montgomery, Chief of Clarksville Fire Rescue
Ernie Griffith, City Court
Stephanie Fox, Director of Internal Audit
Stephanie Rodriguez

3. Approval of Minutes

A. [Public Safety Committee minutes 8-21-2024](#)

Councilperson Keri Lovato made a motion to adopt the August 21, 2024 meeting minutes as written; Councilperson Amber Marquis seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the August 21, 2024 minutes passed unanimously.

4. Department Reports

A. [Building & Codes Department Reports](#)

Justin Crosby, Director of Building and Codes, reviewed the monthly report on behalf of the Building and Codes Department. In August, the Construction Division conducted 3,501 inspections, while Code Enforcement opened 443

new cases. The Abatement Division addressed 44 work orders. The total revenue for the month amounted to \$342,089.05.

B. [Clarksville Police Department Reports](#)

David Crockarell, Chief of the Clarksville Police Department, reviewed the monthly report on behalf of the department. He addressed the recent increase in school threats, emphasizing that when a threat is received, the Clarksville Police make it a priority to enhance officer visibility at as many schools as possible. He also highlighted the close collaboration with Montgomery County in identifying IP addresses and addressing the technological aspects of these threats.

C. [Clarksville Fire Rescue Reports](#)

Freddie Montgomery, Chief of Clarksville Fire Rescue, reviewed the monthly report on behalf of the Clarksville Fire Department. He noted that in August, the department responded to 1,704 calls, with 71.07% categorized as rescue and emergency medical service incidents. Ten new hires are scheduled to begin on September 23, 2024, leaving two vacancies unfilled from the last academy. Additionally, the Fire Prevention Division conducted 303 inspections and issued 21 burn permits.

5. Committee Action Required

6. City Council Action Required

- A. [Resolution 19-2024-25](#): A resolution expressing the working relationship between the Knoxville Police Department, the Tennessee ICAC Task Force lead agency, and the Affiliate.

Councilperson Brian Zacharias entertained a motion. Councilperson Keri Lovato made a motion to defer Resolution 19-2024-25, seconded by Councilperson Amber Marquis. The motion to defer Resolution 19-2024-25 passed unanimously.

7. Other Business

Chief Court Clerk Ernie Griffith reviewed the monthly report on behalf of the City Court. He stated that in August, the Clarksville City Court collected a total revenue of \$159,543.61, with 2,562 citations and 2,794 violations issued.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Councilperson Keri Lovato; Councilperson Amber Marquis seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:18 PM.

9. Public Comment - (allows 3 persons; 5 minutes each)