

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Participating in the
Public Safety Council.

RESOLUTION
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WHEREAS, the Public Safety Council is a planning group constituted to recommend priorities for the effective, fair, and efficient provision of criminal justice services in Multnomah County.

AND WHEREAS, the Public Safety Council consists of representatives from Multnomah County, the City of Portland, Fairview, Wood Village, and Troutdale.

AND WHEREAS, the Public Safety Council represents an expanded version of the Justice Coordinating Council.

AND WHEREAS, the mission and structure of the Public Safety Council which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, is consistent with the Board of County Commissioners' desire to further improve effective delivery of criminal justice services.

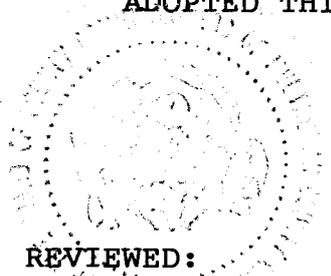
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Multnomah County is authorized to participate in the Public Safety Council as described in the Council's statement of mission, organizational structure and principles of collaboration.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Justice Coordinating

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Council, established by Ordinance No. 707 on December 12, 1991, be abolished.

ADOPTED THIS 5th day of November, 1992.



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STATEMENT OF
THE MISSION, ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE
AND PRINCIPLES OF COLLABORATION OF
THE PUBLIC SAFETY COUNCIL

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I. MISSION

The Mission of the Public Safety Council is to recommend priorities for the justice system on an ongoing basis and facilitate the provision of fair, efficient and effective criminal justice services in Multnomah County.

In pursuit of its mission, the Council shall examine the functions and resources allocated to each component of the criminal justice system, and devise a comprehensive Public Safety Plan for Multnomah County to be considered by each of the cities represented herein and by the Board of County Commissioners.

In devising the Plan, the Council shall consider the work of Portland Future Focus, Public Safety 2000, the Citizens Crime Commission, the Regional Drug Initiative Law Enforcement Committee, the Chief's Forum, Grand Juries, the Institute for Metropolitan Studies at Portland State University, Civic Index, the Oregon Progress Board and any other resources in the community. The Council shall also consider the interrelationship between the following components of the criminal justice system:

- A. The number of beds available to the State Department of Corrections for convicted felons sentenced to prison terms;
- B. The number of beds available at County correctional facilities for:
 - 1. Convicted felons awaiting sentence;
 - 2. Convicted misdemeanants awaiting sentence;
 - 3. Convicted misdemeanants sentenced to jail terms;
 - 4. High-risk defendants awaiting trial;
 - 5. Convicts from other states awaiting extradition proceedings;
 - 6. Material witnesses being held to testify;
- C. The number and capacity of residential and non-residential intermediate sanctions programs available for appropriate persons convicted of crimes;
- D. The number and capacity of residential and non-residential Juvenile Justice programs available for appropriate juvenile offenders;
- E. The number of judges and court rooms available for criminal trials, pretrial hearings and other matters;
- F. The number of Deputy District Attorneys available to prepare cases for trial and prosecute them;
- G. The number of sworn police personnel each law enforcement agency has per thousand of population;
- H. The pretrial release practices of the Courts;

- I. The work-release and community service practices of the Community Corrections Department;
- J. Each law enforcement agency's prioritization and de-prioritization of certain types of reported crimes;
- K. The willingness of the public to report crime;
- L. The extent to which the public to fears crime;
- M. The quality of service the public receives and expects when they contact BOEC and/or their law enforcement agency; and
- N. The extent to which crime prevention coordinators, neighborhood associations and law enforcement officers interact with citizens, businesses and business organizations.

Following adoption of the Public Safety Plan by each local government represented herein, the Public Safety Council shall assist local governments in their ability and commitment to act in a manner consistent with efficient management and fiscal principles, including appropriation of new revenue and grant applications.

II. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING EFFECTIVENESS

The Public Safety Council will have achieved its primary goal when the comprehensive public safety plan it devises results in:

- A. Significant decreases in the socioeconomic factors that cause people to engage in criminal conduct;
- B. Significant decreases in criminal conduct as evidenced by reductions in the victimization rate;
- C. Significant decreases in recidivism as evidenced by reductions in the number of crimes committed by persons with prior convictions;
- D. Significant increases in efficiency in the services rendered by the police, courts and correction system;
- E. Significant increases in the public's understanding of, and satisfaction with the services rendered by the police, courts and correction system;
- F. Significant increases in the public's feeling of safety and well-being, and reduction in their fear of crime; and
- G. A secure source and mechanism for funding the various components of the criminal justice system.

III. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. MEMBERSHIP. When fully constituted, the Public Safety Council shall consist of the following members:

- (1) Multnomah County Chair or other designated Commissioner;
- (2) Multnomah County District Attorney;
- (3) Multnomah County Sheriff;
- (4) Presiding Judge, Multnomah County Circuit Court;
- (5) Mayor, City of Portland or other designated City Council member;
- (6) Mayor, City of Gresham or other designated City Council member;
- (7) City Administrator of Fairview or other person designated by City Council;
- (8) City Administrator of Wood Village or other person designated by City Council;
- (9) City Administrator of Troutdale or other person designated by City Council;
- (10) Chief, Gresham Police Department;
- (11) Chief, Fairview Police Department;
- (12) Chief, Troutdale Police Department;
- (13) Chief, Portland Police Bureau;
- (14) Director, Multnomah County Community Corrections;
- (15) Director of County Health Department;
- (16) Director, Multnomah County Department of Social Services;
- (17) Metropolitan Public Defender;
- (18) One person residing or doing business in each Electoral District of Multnomah County appointed by the Chair of the County Commission upon the recommendation of the Public Safety Council.

B. CITIZEN APPOINTEES. Council shall stagger the three-year terms of the citizen appointees in any manner they shall choose, in order to maximize continuity in citizen participation.

C. MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE. Council will be convened monthly at a regular time established by the consensus of the members. The location of the meetings may vary or remain the same. Any member may send a substitute to any Public Safety Council meeting in case of the member's unavoidable absence. The substitute shall be eligible to vote. However, membership on the Council carries with it the affirmative obligation to make every effort to attend each monthly meeting.

D. PRESIDING MEMBER. The members of the Council shall elect a presiding member (chairperson) who shall have no greater power within the Public Safety Council than any other member, but shall guide the Council in the conduct of its meetings, serving for a term of one year. The members of the Council shall also elect a presiding member-elect (chairperson-elect) who shall have no greater power within the Public Safety Council than any other member, but shall guide the Council in the conduct of its meetings in the absence of the presiding member and shall become the presiding member at the conclusion of the one year term of the presiding member. When the presiding member and presiding member-elect unable to attend a meeting of the Council, the presiding member may appoint any other member to preside at such meeting.

E. AGENDAS. The Agenda for each meeting of the Council shall be set by the Presiding member, in consultation with the presiding members of each standing Committee.

F. COMMITTEES. Each member of the Public Safety Council shall serve on at least one, but no more than two of the following committees:

- (1) Policing and Prevention Committee;
- (2) Sanctions Committee;
- (3) Budget and Fiscal Concerns Committee; and
- (4) Legislative Concerns Committee.

G. NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS ON COMMITTEES. Each committee may expand its membership to include persons who are not members of the Council. However, the presiding member of each committee shall be a member of the Public Safety Council. The composition of each committee shall subject to the approval of the Council.

H. PROCEDURAL MATTERS. Unless the Council agrees otherwise, all meetings of the Council and its committees shall proceed according to Roberts Rules of Order and such other rules as the Council shall, from time to time, adopt.

V. STAFFING

A. Meeting Notices. The presiding member of the Public Safety Council shall be responsible for sending out notices of regular meetings to the remaining members of the Council.

B. Materials for Discussion. Members shall produce sufficient copies of any materials relevant to any topic they intend to discuss at a Council meeting and get them to the presiding member of the Council in time for mailing with the meeting notices or shall bring them to the meeting.

C. Committee Staffing. The presiding member of the each committee shall send meeting notices to the remaining members of the Committee. Members shall produce sufficient copies of any written materials relevant to any topic they wish to discuss at a Committee meeting and get them to the presiding member of the committee in time for mailing with the meeting notices or shall bring them to the committee meeting.

VI. PRINCIPLES OF COLLABORATION

In pursuit of its mission, the Council shall remain faithful to the following principles:

A. The Public Safety Council shall be a free-standing entity with an advisory role to the Board of County Commissioners and the governing bodies of the cities of Portland, Gresham, Troutdale, Fairview and Wood Village.

B. The Public Safety Council, as an entity, shall not assume any legislative or administrative powers, nor shall it circumvent or usurp the authority and responsibilities of any established governmental body.

C. The members of the Public Safety Council who were appointed to their offices remain accountable to, and subject to the control of the public officials and bodies responsible for their appointment; and

D. All actions, plans and recommendations generated by the Public Safety Council must be consistent with the Constitutions of both the State of Oregon and the United States of America, applicable laws of the State of Oregon and the respective charters of the governments represented herein.

VI. AFFIRMATION

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned hereby express our assent to the formation of the Public Safety Council, to replace the former Justice Coordinating Council, with the above-stated mission, organizational structure, and principles of collaboration and hereby request the respective governing bodies of which we are part, or to whom we are accountable, to endorse the mission, organizational structure, and principles of collaboration by which the Public Safety Council intends to operate and affirm their assent to our participation therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we affix our signatures hereto this 5th day of November, 1992.

Gladys McCoy
Multnomah County Chair

David Olson
Mayor, City of Wood Village

Paul Johnson
Mayor, City of Maywood Park

Michael D. Scheidt
Multnomah County District Attorney

Bob Skjette
Multnomah County Sheriff

John Cooney
Metropolitan Public Defender

David Clark
Mayor, City of Portland

Greg B...
Mayor, City of Troutdale

Fred Carlson
Mayor, City of Fairview

Luxie McRobert
Mayor, City of Gresham

Michael Wouda
Presiding Judge, Multnomah County

APPROVED MULTNOMAH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA # R-5 DATE 11-5-92
Carrie A. Peterson
BOARD CLERK