

Public Safety Advisory Committee

Prepared by the PSAC Facilitator Team

MEMO

Date: January 12, 2022

To: Metro Office of the Chief Executive Officer

From: Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC)

Re: Outcomes from the January 5, 2022 PSAC Meeting - IPS Recommendations

During the January 5, 2021 Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) meeting, the advisory body held a vote to approve the following:

- A proposal to approve the recommendations of the Infrastructure Protection Services (IPS) ad hoc committee on a forthcoming IPS scope of work (SOW)

Below is a summary of the committee action:

- PSAC voted to approve a modified version of the IPS ad hoc committee's recommendations. The vote was 12 "yes," 0 "no," 1 "abstain," and 2 "absent." (Link: [Approved IPS SOW Recommendations](#))

Proposal to approve the recommendations of the IPS ad hoc committee on a forthcoming IPS SOW

The committee voted to approve a modified version of the IPS ad hoc committee recommendations included in the [January 5, 2022 meeting agenda packet](#) (Attachment H & Attachment I). The approved text included the following modifications:

- Adding a paragraph to the "Weapons" section of the recommendations that indicates this decision will be made at a future PSAC meeting - likely the January 19, 2022 meeting.

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MEMO

Date: January 21, 2022

To: Metro Office of the Chief Executive Officer

From: Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC)

Re: Outcomes from the January 19, 2022 PSAC Meeting - IPS Recommendations on Weapons

During the January 19, 2021 Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) meeting, the advisory body held a vote to approve the following:

- A proposal to support one of the options from the Infrastructure Protection Services (IPS) ad hoc committee on the provision of firearms to IPS personnel (Link: [IPS Weapons Recommendations](#) beginning on page 3)

Below is a summary of the committee action:

- The committee was unable to reach a simple majority to support the approval of one of the options for the IPS weapons recommendations. The vote was 6 members supporting “Option 1,” 6 members supporting “Option 2,” 1 member choosing to “abstain,” and 2 members “absent.”

Proposal to approve one of the options for the Infrastructure Protection Services (IPS) ad hoc committee recommendations on the provision of weapons

The committee did not reach consensus around one unified recommendation, in keeping with its standard decision-making process. Instead, the committee chose to modify its process and put forth a proposal to bring both options to a vote (versus a proposal to vote on just one preferred option). “Option 1” proposed a gradual reduction of firearm-carrying IPS personnel, while “Option 2” proposed an immediate disarmament of all IPS personnel.

Neither option gained the support of a simple majority, which required at least eight votes. Therefore, the committee was unable to provide a consensus recommendation on the provision of firearms to IPS personnel.