

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM  
**PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE**

November 19, 2020

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:33 p.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Phillippe Cunningham (Chair), Steve Fletcher (Vice-Chair), Cam Gordon, Jeremiah Ellison, Alondra Cano, and Linea Palmisano (Quorum - 4)

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021, the meeting was held by electronic means and Council Members and staff participated remotely due to the local public health emergency (novel coronavirus pandemic) declared on March 16, 2020.

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. Appointment of Fire Chief ([2020-01101](#))

Considering the appointment by the Executive Committee of Bryan Tyner to the appointed position of Fire Chief for a two-year term beginning Jan 2, 2020.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Mayor Jacob Frey, who spoke to his nomination of Bryan Tyner, and expressed his appreciation for Mr. Tyner's contributions to the Fire Department during his career.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke

1. Joseph Mattison
2. Bryan Tyner
3. Barbara Johnson, former Minneapolis City Council President
4. James Thomas
5. Tyrone Terrill, President of the African American Leadership Council
6. Ashanti Payne
7. Charles Rucker, President of the Minneapolis African American Professional Firefighter Association
8. Mark Lakosky, President of Minneapolis Fire Department Local 82
9. Makeda Zulu-Gillespie, Executive Director of the University of Minnesota Robert J. Jones Urban Research and Outreach-Engagement Center

The public hearing was closed.

Cunningham moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Cunningham, Fletcher, Gordon, Ellison, Cano, and Palmisano (6)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

2. Grant application to the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to support the Office of Emergency Management's COVID-19 operations ([2020-01168](#))

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, in the amount of \$15,000 over a one-year period, to support the Office of Emergency Management's COVID-19 response and recovery operations.

Cunningham moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Cunningham, Fletcher, Gordon, Ellison, Cano, and Palmisano (6)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

3. Grant application to the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to support prevention, preparation, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts from acts of terrorism and other hazards ([2020-01169](#))

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, in the amount of \$829,500 over an 18-month period, to support the City's efforts in the prevention, preparation, mitigation, response, and recovery of acts of terrorism and other hazards.

Cunningham moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Cunningham, Fletcher, Gordon, Ellison, Cano, and Palmisano (6)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

4. Grant application to the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to support the Office of Emergency Management's mission areas of prevention, preparation, mitigation, response, and recovery ([2020-01189](#))

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, in the amount of \$30,000 over a one-year period, to support the Office of Emergency Management's mission areas of prevention, preparation, mitigation, response, and recovery.

Cunningham moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Cunningham, Fletcher, Gordon, Ellison, Cano, and Palmisano (6)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

5. Minneapolis Health Department Master Contracts for 2021-2025 ([2020-01188](#))

1. Authorizing Master Contracts with the eligible providers list of community non-profit agencies and governmental and political subdivision entities, as set forth in Legislative File 2020-01188, in the not to exceed (NTE) amounts listed, for the period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2025.
2. Authorizing staff to issue Fund Availability Notices when project funds become available as long as the total amount of the Master Contract is not exceeded.

Cunningham moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Cunningham, Fletcher, Gordon, Ellison, Cano, and Palmisano (6)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

6. Lead poisoning prevention efforts for children ([2020-01170](#))

Receiving and filing a presentation from the Public Health Advisory Committee (PHAC) on efforts to prevent childhood lead poisoning in Minneapolis.

Staff presentation by Patrick Hanlon and Margaret Schuster, Health Department, who introduced members of the Public Health Advisory Committee.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to provide the presentation to PHAC members Jerome Evans, Co-Chair; Mary Peick; and Paul Pentel.

No formal action taken; the presentation was received and filed.

7. Community safety update ([2020-01066](#))

Receiving and filing a presentation on community safety.

Staff presentation by Commander Jason Case, Minneapolis Police Department, and Sasha Cotton, Health Department/Office of Violence Prevention.

No formal action taken; the presentation was received and filed.

8. Evidence-based violence reduction ([2020-01214](#))

Receiving and filing a report on evidence-based community-focused approaches to reducing violence and promoting safe communities.

Staff presentation by Sasha Cotton, Health Department/Office of Violence Prevention, accompanied by R. Brent Decker.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to R. Brent Decker, Chief Program Officer at Cure Violence Global.

No formal action taken; the presentation was received and filed.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Reported by Irene Kasper, Clerk