

# Law Enforcement Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting Agenda January 13, 2022 6:30 PM

Chairperson: Mayor Robert Duncan

Councilors: Mike Caughey, Kimberly Downey, and Charlotte Thomas

Citizens Members: Travis Crosman and Don Messick

Meeting Location: Harrisburg Municipal Center Located at 354 Smith St

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL by Mayor, Robert Duncan

**CONCERNED CITIZEN(S) IN THE AUDIENCE.** (Please limit presentation to two minutes per issue.)

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 2, 2021 LAW ENFORCEMENT AD-HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2. THE MATTER OF THE CONTINUANCE OF A DISCUSSION IN RELATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OPTIONS FOR THE CITY OF HARRISBURG

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

Exhibit A: Harrisburg Law Enforcement Survey

Exhibit B: Citizen comments, Question 5 through 01.06.22

Exhibit C: Crime Statistics for Harrisburg

ACTION: REVIEW AND DISCUSS INCLUDED MATERIALS

**OTHER ITEMS** 

**ADJOURN** 



# Law Enforcement Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes December 02, 2021 6:30 PM

Chairperson: Mayor Robert Duncan

Council Members: Mike Caughey, Kim Downey, and Charlotte Thomas

Citizen Members: Travis Crosman and Don Messick

Staff Present: City Administrator Michele Eldridge and City Recorder Lori

Ross

Law Enforcement Present: Undersheriff Duncan, Chief Larson, and Captain Smith Meeting Location: Harrisburg Municipal Center Located at 354 Smith St

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL by Chairperson, Mayor Robert Duncan at the hour of 6:31pm

#### MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 8, 2021

 Downey motioned to approve the minutes for November 8, 2021 and was seconded by Thomas. The Ad-Hoc Committee then voted unanimously to approve the minutes for November 8, 2021.

Chairperson Duncan read the script for the evening as shown in **Addendum 1** and stated the next meeting will be held, January 6, 2022.

**CONCERNED CITIZEN(S) IN THE AUDIENCE** All present were there for items on the agenda.

### THE MATTER OF THE CONTINUANCE OF A DISCUSSION IN RELATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OPTIONS FOR THE CITY OF HARRISBURG

**STAFF REPORT:** Eldridge informed Council that the staff report states the next City Council meeting, to discuss the Ad-Committee, is January 19<sup>th</sup> but it is January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Some of the highlights of the staff report include:

- Option 1 is doing nothing and reflects an increase of around \$12,500 due to the cost of living. She reminded the Committee that all contracts for Law Enforcement expire June 30, 2022.
- Eldridge felt that the City could not afford their own police department option. She stated that we would have to take all of the contracted services and add \$167,000 for one person and it still wouldn't be enough. Other options for the City would be to increase hours with either of our Law Enforcement Agencies.

- Eldridge reminded Council that in 2017-2019 we had 320 contracted hours with LCSO. If we increase the number of hours to 350 hours per month, that will cost the City \$50,516. If the City increased the hours for the City of Coburg, as shown in option 3, and left LCSO as it is now, it would be an increase of \$52,137.
- Eldridge felt that with some budget cuts, they could come up with about \$20,000 without going to areas like Community and Economic Development.
- Eldridge referred to all or nothing options as shown in options 4 & 5. Having LCSO only would be an increase to 315 hours per month at a cost of \$12, 547. Coburg only, would increase hours to 347 per month at no additional cost due to their hourly rate being lower. She notes that number could change due to variables involved.
- Eldridge stated there are a lot of things that we do with our agency partners in addition to law enforcement and if you cancel a contract, we might not be able to go return on the same terms.
- She felt that options 2, 3 and 6 are the best options available to the City. She mentioned a public safety fee option but felt that the public wouldn't be in favor due the passing of the levy this year.
- Undersheriff Duncan commented that LCSO is always striving to do better and if the
  City is going to cut hours, it could possibly affect a position. If the City increased hours
  to 50 to 100 hours that might be more difficult at this time, but she will always look at
  that option. She feels that our relationship has been good the last few years and she
  will continue that as the new Sheriff.
- Caughey commented that other cities have other income to support law enforcement cost. He feels that isn't an option for our City and he likes option 6 the way it's written.
- Crosman asked Chief Larson what time they cut off services and Chief Larson answered 2am. Crosman stated regardless of the contract, we still have coverage. Crosman stated that LCSO has had staffing issues in the past and Undersheriff Duncan replied that they have had staffing issues for about five to six years which is the normal for everywhere. Staffing issued are due to retiring masses, the pandemic and people questioning where they want to work. She stated that the residents are paying for law enforcement services including calls. A contract means there is presence in the City which includes traffic, extra patrols, business checks and checking parks but it is also the ability for a fast response time.
- Captain Smith spoke of a call after the last meeting which was a burglary was in process at Grocery Deals. LCSO had someone in custody in 43 seconds due to enhanced services. There were two deputies in town and a 3rd deputy arrived six minutes later due to being in the area because of the enhanced services. LCSO tries to allocate where it makes the most sense and allocate extra where they have law enforcement service contracts.
- Captain Smith commented that at the last meeting, someone said that LCSO is
  meeting their contract hours by call response and Captain Smith stated that it was not
  stated at the last meeting, but it was referenced. Crosman replied that he did
  reference it. Captain Smith stated that he wasn't sure who said it, but that is not what
  is reported to the City. LCSO is meeting traffic and law enforcement goals. There are
  months where it is low, but they are meeting it.
- Undersheriff Duncan commented that there are three assigned deputies that have an
  obligation to Harrisburg first and those deputies know it. There are times when they are
  dealing with criminal problems, concentrating on traffic, other patrols and trying to solve
  crimes including follow up investigations. These are extra services that non-contracted
  cities don't get because they don't have the resources to do it. It's a far cheaper way

when you can't afford your own police department. She stated that Marion, Clackamas, and Lane County have assigned deputies and everything that deputy does is spent in that city besides high priority calls. Those cities are paying for that entire deputy including patrol cars and when the deputy is gone on vacation or training, you don't see a replacement. LCSO feels contract cities are a better option to get the hours and the services that you want. She stated that Harrisburg does have low crime and the Narcotics and Animal Control Departments pay special attention to the contract cities because it's important to us. For DUII arrest, 9 out of 10 times, hours spent on the caser are not typically incorporated in the total hours. She stated that if the City has areas they would like LCSO to focus patrol on, to please let someone know as that is what we are paying for.

- Captain Smith stated that LCSO gets \$5M from the \$13M Linn County General Fund and \$22M from the Law Enforcement Levy. This covers a 230-bed jail, a fully staffed 911 center, 24/7 patrols and the full-scale Law Enforcement Agency of 192 employees. Harrisburg is about 2.3% of funding through General Fund and other sources. \$680,000 comes from the Linn County Tax Assessors Office. This is the same rate that everyone in Linn County contributes. If you add in the \$249,00 enhanced contract, the total amount Harrisburg taxpayers contribute is around \$936,000.
- Thomas stated that she appreciates Linn County, but she feels we just need to decide if we want to stay with what we have or add more hours. She feels like it isn't our concern, as Council members if we cut our contract and it effects their budget. She won't consider her decision on whether or not it will affect the Sheriff Department as she already pays for that service as a citizen. She thinks we should be considering our citizens and what we're doing with the \$249,000. Undersheriff Duncan responded that she agreed with Thomas and as a City our consideration shouldn't be what they give everyone else, but depending on how deep those cuts are, they might have to cut services.
- Thomas thought the staff report sounded vindictive and Eldridge responded that she
  based it on conversations with commissioners that were disappointed the City left Linn
  County other services that were provided to the City. She agreed with Thomas that we
  need to do what is best for the residents.
- Thomas stated that the last two years have been awesome with LCSO, and they have met the hours and beyond.
- Undersheriff Duncan stated that she is taking over as Sheriff in January, and she feels
  that she has always had a good relationship with Harrisburg. She doesn't want anyone
  to feel threatened by the Sheriff Office as she wants everyone treated according to their
  moto. (Keeping the peace with dignity, honesty and compassion.)
- Downey stated that she liked Thomas's comments and we need to talk about what our enhanced services are and how that differentiates from county provided services. She didn't agree with the statement that "it was evident that we should eliminate the option to have our own police department" as we can always create a levy. She asked if we really know what our citizens want? She has not heard from any residents who are wanting this, and unfortunately, they are not here. What is the goal? If we could find out what they want, can we accomplish that with Coburg or LCSO? Would we even be able to find police officers if we had our own department?
- Messick agrees with Downey that we need to find out what our goal is. What do the
  citizens want? He is not getting the sense of a need for a City police department from
  his neighbors and friends. Messick stated that the Sheriff Department is in his
  neighborhood once to twice a night and Coburg as well. He stated that in the past, it
  was brought up about having one sergeant located in the office here in town, but it was
  advised that the City could spend the money elsewhere better.

- Chairperson Duncan agreed and that the main purpose of this meeting is that our citizens
  are safe. He sees Harrisburg as an amazing, beautiful place to live and he wants to keep
  it that way. Whatever we can do to keep what we have, he wants to do it.
- Messick responded that LCSO is a successful model with the patrol and the enhancement that we have, and it builds an insulation from crime.
- Chairperson Duncan stated that he never looks at the hour report for LCSO because he
  knows they exceed the hours every month and since partnering with Coburg, it has been
  comforting seeing their vehicles in town also.
- Ross stated that she thinks LCSO does a great job. She works with them probably more
  than other City staff and she always sees them in town whether at City Hall or on the
  streets. They communicate well with staff and get us anything that we need. Ross asked
  how it would affect resident who live in outlying areas for response time if we were to cut
  services.
- Jamie Knox, who lives outside city limits on Diamond Hill Rd, stated that she is also concerned with the response time for residents that live in the outlying areas. Would they have to wait for someone to respond from Brownsville or somewhere north? She has had LCSO respond to her residence twice, and it was within 10 minutes. She agrees that they are always here.
- Ross commented on the reader board accident stating that an officer responded within 10 minutes of the accident.
- Thomas stated that when her daughter had an accident on the bridge, a deputy never came. But added she sees them all the time on S 6<sup>th</sup> St with traffic enforcement.
- Downey commented that when a crime happens, people get upset. There isn't going to be a deputy there at that time because that's what criminals do. She feels LCSO responds quickly.
- Undersheriff Duncan commented that LCSO's presence in Harrisburg is a benefit.
- Messick added that from his perspective, the community doesn't want traffic tickets or interaction, they want response, and they want to feel safe. He would like to see what the citizens want.
- Downey mentioned that when we had the quarterly crime report we didn't hear from the
  citizens because they were involved in Neighborhood Watch. She thinks it was a great
  idea and she thinks we should do it again.
- Undersheriff Duncan replied that Neighborhood Watch needs to be a priority again and she has reached out to local NW representative Michael Mattingly and discussed ideas on how to make it effective and hopefully start again in January. She also mentioned the Citizens Academy this Spring and encouraged the committee to attend to get an understanding of the overall unique services LCSO provides. The next one will be an evening session and it's a good connection with the community and staff.
- Chairperson Duncan asked Captain Smith when the last time was the county boosted LCSO's pay (Allocations from the General Fund). Captain Smith replied that when LCSO got a 1% increase in the last budget cycle and in the last five years, they have not taken more than a 1% increase from the General Fund. LCSO received more money than projected four years ago due to property taxes valuations going up.
- Chairperson Duncan stated that when he first came to City Council, the City was
  paying around \$175,000 and now it's \$100,000 more 20 years later. Undersheriff
  Duncan replied that we need to remember that the General Fund has to fund the rest
  of the county resources and that's why the levy came about.
- Thomas stated that because of the levy, the county doesn't have to give more to LCSO because they are getting their own funds. Captain Smith agreed with Thomas's comment to a point stating the commissioners heard from the community that they

wanted a bigger law enforcement presence, and the base rate was not going to get that done. He stated that the General Fund base rate is set, and it cannot go above \$1.27 as set by Ballot Measure 5. They went to the voters and presented the bill with what services would be provided and where the money would be allocated.

- Undersheriff Duncan stated that public safety is the most important thing to every community. The County still has to fund all other services throughout the County, and they have shifted their funding to other areas that need it.
- Captain Smith asked what is the need in public safety that isn't being addressed here?
  Harrisburg's crime is the lowest of all the contracted cities. If that is the need, does the
  City need to pay any more to buy more hours or are we trying to buy hours to get
  ahead? What's the outcome? He stated the challenge is to identify the need and he
  advises the City to find that out before spending or taking away money or services.
- Thomas replied that she thinks we are here because of what has happened across the state this last year, Harrisburg is a conservative little town, and this came from the desire to prevent crime from coming here.
- Duncan stated that there is always going to be people who think Harrisburg is the worse place in the world because they have been a victim of a crime.
- Messick responded that it is about perception, and you could live in the safest town in the world and if you don't feel safe, you're not safe. He believes we could come to an idea by polling people.
- Crosman stated that people come to him about more law enforcement interaction with the community. He mentioned that Coburg and Junction City have events and LCSO Deputies aren't going to community-based events as far as he knows.
- Undersheriff Duncan responded that she feels that's not a fair statement and they just did Shop with a Cop event, and she can't think of a time when Harrisburg asked them to participate in a community event and they said no. Crosman stated that the ties are just stronger in smaller town police agencies. Messick responded that you pay for that with more tax dollars.
- Undersheriff Duncan stated that if they were to give cities two deputies, you might be
  getting more hours, but the City would be paying for vacation time and total cost. The
  City would be getting less service and there would be weeks at a time when they get
  no service due to vacations. LSCO is aware of what our budget needs are, and they
  don't want us to pay more, and this is the model they can do it in. She understands the
  benefits of having a resident deputy, but sometimes it can be uncomfortable, and they
  can't require it. She commented that LCSO participated in National Night Out and got
  great feedback.
- Crosman commented that he can't get people to come in here and voice their opinion which is the most difficult part.
- Captain Smith responded that the City receives information from LCSO, and he has spoken with the City about having that information available for residents online, through a distribution email or in a newsletter. He feels communication is the key and wonders how much of their questions would be answered if they knew what was going on.
- Caughey stated that people in town don't know that there is information available
  online, through Facebook or in the City Administrator weekly email distribution. He
  thinks it's a great idea and asked Crosman if he knew a way to get residents in those
  audience chairs for meetings, as we would love it. Caughey encouraged people to
  contact Eldridge about getting on the email distribution list.
- Chief Larson stated that in the past, Coburg had tried communicating with residents in the Tri-County Tribune and in the water bill with no response. The biggest asset

Coburg has is the Community Charter School. They started a Parents Night Out event which is a requirement for his entire police staff. They babysit children from 6pm to 10pm, one night every December. They started with 18 kids and this last year they had 80. It's been tremendous way to have a relationship with the community.

- Undersheriff Duncan commented that is a benefit of having a police department. The Sheriff Department is dependent on the communities they serve to engage them in community events.
- Eldridge asked if anyone felt the value of sending out a survey in the next utility bill? Chairperson Duncan thought it was a good idea. Downey asked if Eldridge could do a poll on Facebook? Eldridge answered yes and Undersheriff Duncan gave Eldridge some examples of questions the Sheriff Department had asked on their Facebook page for the levy. Thomas commented that we should do a paper survey or Survey Monkey along with Facebook as not everyone does social media. Captain Smith also gave some suggestions for the survey as well.
- Chairperson Duncan thanked everyone in attendance and said there was a lot of good information shared. Eldridge stated that a crime forum is very important to get back into to get people involved. She also mentioned getting a budget together for Neighborhood Watch again.
- Undersheriff Duncan stated she would reach out to Michael Mattingly and see where they are with Harrisburg Neighborhood Watch and that it would be great to have some direction or input from the City Council for their meetings.

ADJOURN at the hour of 8:18pm	
Mayor	City Recorder

- Welcome everyone to the second meeting of the Law Enforcement Ad-Hoc Committee! This is an Ad-Hoc Committee created by the City Council to explore what kind of options we have available to strengthen the types of law enforcement services we have in Harrisburg.
- 2. This Committee charged with recommending options to the City Council which will strengthen the law enforcement services we desire.
- 3. We want to make it clear that we deeply appreciate our agency partners; this process doesn't reflect on the services that they provide. It is an exploration that we owe to our Citizens, to determine how to pro-actively increase or strengthen the law enforcement services we have available.
- 4. We are limiting the meeting to 8:00 tonight, if possible. The order of proceeding is to first have staff present the report for this evening, and then to allow discussion between committee members, as well as input from LCSO and the City of Coburg. The final fifteen minutes of the meeting will allow for public input. We ask that you please limit your comments to three to five minutes, as well as asking that you don't repeat information that another person has already provided.
- 5. Please bear in mind that only the City Council is authorized to make any changes in relation to the law enforcement services that the City has available.
- 6. Thank you for coming. If a recommendation is not provided this evening, the next meeting will be held on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The City Council will be meeting to hear the recommendation on January 25, 2022.

# Agenda Bill Harrisburg Law Enforcement Ad-Hoc Committee Harrisburg, Oregon

## THE MATTER OF THE CONTINUANCE OF A DISCUSSION IN RELATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OPTIONS FOR THE CITY OF HARRISBURG STAFF REPORT:

Exhibit A: Harrisburg Law Enforcement Survey

Exhibit B: Citizen comments, Question 5 through 01.06.22

Exhibit C: Crime Statistics for Harrisburg

ACTION: REVIEW AND DISCUSS INCLUDED MATERIALS

#### THIS AGENDA BILL IS DESTINED FOR: LE-AHC Meeting – January 13, 2022

BUDGET IMPACT					
COST	BUDGETED?	SOURCE OF FUNDS			
\$279,200+	Yes	General Fund			

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

This Ad-Hoc Committee has met twice prior to this meeting and have had many discussions about the types, and amount of law enforcement services the City is looking for. The Committee looked at the options at the last meeting, that will be considered by the City Council at the meeting on January 25, 2022. While committee members and citizens would like to be able to have our own law enforcement services, research has shown that it would be very cost prohibitive, likely requiring sacrifices from other services funded by the City and would absolutely need additional funding from other types of fees or tax revenue, such as an operating levy.

During our discussion at the last meeting, the committee decided that they would prefer to get feedback from our citizens before making any decisions in relation to the services the City currently has. Citizens have been invited repeatedly to the committee meetings, but regardless, very few people have come to the meeting to participate. Staff put together a survey (**Exhibit A**), which was posted to the website, as well as being included in the utility billing mailer. As of the morning of January 7, 38 surveys have been received, which is a better response than expected. The deadline for the survey is January 12, 2022; staff will be promoting the survey over the next few days and will bring the results to the meeting on the 13th.

Survey Results (38 received) through the morning of 01.07.22:

1. Are you pleased with the level of Law Enforcement Services the City provides: **65% said yes**.

- 2. Do you want more or fewer law enforcement services in Harrisburg: 95% said they wanted more.
- 3. Are you willing to pay more for enhanced law enforcement services: 58% said that they were willing to pay more for enhanced services.
- 4. Over the last 12 months, do you feel safer in our community: Only 55% felt safer in their community.

In addition to keeping track of the simple answers, staff have also kept track of the answers to question No. 5, "What do you feel are the types of services most needed in the City of Harrisburg". Those answers can be found in Exhibit B. 76% of the respondent's kept their answers in relation to law enforcement services, but there were 6 people who asked for other types of services. Staff will share additional comments received at the meeting itself as a handout.

At the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, our crime statistics for Harrisburg showed that we were slightly under last year's crime statistics level at that time; however, the recent months saw an increase in property crimes. 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Crime Statistics are shown in **Exhibit C**, which also includes the annual crime comparison statistics between 2020 and 2021 in Harrisburg. Property crimes are increasing, but personal crimes have been cut in half. The statistics show that Harrisburg has somewhat less crime than most of the other cities nearby; we are also doing statistically better than we were in 2018 & 2019. Ultimately, we had two more crimes committed in 2021 in comparison to 2020.

One of the biggest benefits of having this committee was to involve our citizens in the process, and to be able to hold informal discussions in a less formal setting. We've been able to determine how much it would cost in real numbers to create an actual police department, and we've also learned more about how the current contract with our agency partner's work. This Committee had been assembled in order to provide direction to Council as to how we should budget for our law enforcement services. One of those directions could simply be to leave our law enforcement contract hours exactly as they are at this time. More survey data that the City hopes to collect will help to determine if a recommendation should be made in which to increase the hours to our law enforcement services. If that decision is made, then the Committee could either make a recommendation of hours to add or could simply leave it up to the City Council to determine how many hours should be added based upon the City's budget.

After discussion at this meeting, the following motions could be used, or be further modified:

- 1. The Committee recommends to the City Council that we make no changes to the current hours that the City is contracted for.
- 2. The Committee recommends to the City Council that we add xxx / more hours dedicated for law enforcement services.

Only the City Council has the authority to make any changes to our current law enforcement coverage. The City Council will take under advisement any

### recommendations by this Committee but will also weigh many other factors in making a final decision.

As a result of some of the discussions by this committee, we have now posted all the LCSO reports to the City's website.

https://www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/community/page/law-enforcement-services-harrisburg-0 Quarterly Crime Statistics will also be posted here, and other information as it becomes available. We are working on getting our quarterly crime forums started again, and plan on providing some more resources to those citizens who would like to volunteer time as part of a Neighborhood Watch Group.

Staff would like to thank the extra time devoted to this subject from the City Council members attending, our law enforcement agency partners, and especially to our Citizen Committee members, Don Messick & Travis Crosman.

#### **REVIEW AND APPROVAL:**

01.07.22

Michele Eldridge Date
City Administrator

#### **Harrisburg Law Enforcement Survey**

The City Council believes that the safety of our citizens is one of the most important services they provide. The City of Harrisburg pays \$279,200 a year for law enforcement services. \$261,657 is paid to the Linn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO), and \$30,000 to the City of Coburg. Combined services provide the City with 310 hours a month/3720 a year. The City of Harrisburg has a crime rate that is lower than most of our neighboring towns.

We want your voice to be heard! Please take a few moments to fill out this quick survey, which will be used to inform the Council of what is most important to our citizens in relation to law enforcement purposes. Provide your survey to the City by January 12, 2022. The survey is included with the utility bills this month, or you can download the survey from our website and share it via email to <a href="mailto:meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us">meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us</a>. (Subject line: Law Enforcement Survey). You can also pick up a survey at City Hall. Please drop the survey off at City Hall in person or drop it off in our overnight payment box by the deadline.

1.	Are you pleased with the level of law enforcement services that the City currently provides?
	Yes
	No
2.	Do you want more or fewer law enforcement services in Harrisburg?
	More
	Fewer
	No Changes
3.	Are you willing to pay more for enhanced law enforcement services?
	Yes
	No
4.	Over the last 12 months, do you feel safer in your community?
	Yes
	No
5.	What do you feel are the types of services most needed in the City of Harrisburg?

The Harrisburg City Council has been hearing from citizens who have concerns with the types and/or costs of services being provided, and therefore, a Law Enforcement Ad-Hoc Committee was formed. Citizens are welcome and encouraged to join us at the next meeting being held on January 13, 2022, at 6:30pm. You can find a copy of the agendas and minutes online on the City's website by following this link: <a href="https://www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/meetings.">https://www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/meetings.</a> Call City Recorder Lori Ross at 541-995-6655 or email <a href="https://www.ci.harrisburg.or.us">lross@ci.harrisburg.or.us</a>, if you'd like to be emailed when the agenda is completed. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey and voicing your opinion.

#### **Harrisburg Law Enforcement Survey 2022**

### Question 5 Answers – What do you feel are the types of services most needed in the City of Harrisburg?

"We called for help twice this year for true emergencies. One was an angry man in domestic dispute with a woman in front of our home. When she left, he became eradict, got what appeared to be a gun out of car, & blocked rode with his car. Multiple calls to dispatch. An hour later deputy called saying he was in another town; would be another hour. NOT SAFE!!!"

"Law enforcement, Public Works, City Hall."
"Traffic enforcement, visible patrol."
"City used to have Sheriff substation here. Would like to see Sheriff substation again with permanent staffing."
"Road repair and maintenance. Traffic light at LaSalle and Hwy 99E."
"Harrisburg needs more nighttime patrols. It appears that we as residents have to protect ourselves, property and neighbors (which we should) but the criminals seem to have figured out the law enforcement patrol cycles (if there is one)."
"Better water!! Focus on what you are already failing at"
"24 hour patrol"
"I would like to see more hours be given to LCSO and not renew the Coburg PD contract. I feel Coburg isn't fulfilling their obligation especially with code enforcement."
"Street repair, broken pavement, sunken manhole covers, pot holes."
"We have had an uptick of stolen property and vehicles in the last year – we need more patrol time around the city and not in their office."

"I think we are paying too much money for the limited services that Coburg PD is providing. They do not seem to be fulfilling their contract. Is there accountability for the time they are supposed to be in Harrisburg patrolling? I would rather give more money to LCSO to increase their presence in Harrisburg, than give the money to Coburg."

"Street improvements. Overlay Hwy 99 from LaSalle to Peoria Rd, not just patch it. Upgrade the RR crossings on Territorial St. Thank you for the improvements the last couple of years!!"

"Animal control – stop the barking dogs!"

"Higher priority to public safety. Reassign Coburg funds to public safety."

"Increased petty theft, car break ins, people on video looking around the exterior of homes are very alarming. Nighttime patrol would be reassuring."

"More frequent patrols through neighborhoods especially at night. Thieves seem particularly effective during early morning hours."

"We don't know. The current services seem to be fine. We have noticed an occasional problem with people passing on the yellow lines leading up to the bridge."

"Response to calls for service, crime investigation and follow-up, traffic control at peak times, general presence in the community. We have real concerns about having a local Harrisburg city police force. Expense aside, we believe that such police departments are fraught with problems including, but not limited to: potential for inadequately trained and skilled supervision and oversight; questionable ability to attract high quality and highly qualified officers (will we be able to attract officers who are capable of split-second, well balanced, and appropriate potentially life-threatening decision making in the face of a quickly deteriorating situation?); adequacy of ongoing training, including criminal investigation, interventions, and follow-up; in a small force, the tendency toward a level of familiarity with residents that can reduce impartiality and promote favoritism. We appreciate this important discussion and do see via posts on the NextDoor Ap that there are somewhat regular reports of suspicious activities that take place in and around our community. However, we don't know whether or not this represents an increase in crime rate. At this juncture, we are tending towards modifying the existing services as necessary to cover the growing population in Harrisburg based on statistical data and with consideration to how other members of the community feel. Based on our personal experiences, we believe that the

Linn County Sheriff deputies provide very adequate services. We have had several interactions with different deputies over the years that we have been in Harrisburg and have been impressed."

"Night patrols and crime enforcement instead of traffic stops." "Enforce the laws we have now." "Speed enforcement on Territorial specifically. It's a freaking racetrack!" "Driving Hwy 99 thru town is ugly, not inviting or showing love." "Stay with Linn County. Don't see a need for Coburg." "Speed limit slowed. A pedestrian light on Smith St." "Drop the Coburg coverage and increase LCSO. There are 720 hours in a month, we are getting coverage only 43% of the time and usually not during the hours of high crime. We don't need rent-acops." "More patrolling - visible." "Stop the constant speeders on 3<sup>rd</sup> St. They can't even do that one small thing." "More speed control on 7th street."

#### Harrisburg Crime Comparison by Quarter – 4th Qtr

Table 1: Crime Comparison Report

Quarter	Person	Property Crimes	Drug/Alcohol	Traffic	'All Other
	Crimes		Crimes	Offenses	Offenses'
4th Qtr.	6	30	0	3	14
3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	4	14	2	3	13
2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr.	3	29	0	3	8
1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr.	4	18	4	3	10
Total	17	91	6	12	33

Table 2: Arrests by Crime Group

Quarter	Person	Property	Drug/Alcohol	Traffic	All Other
4th Qtr.	1	3	0	2	11
3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr.	3	2	2	4	18
2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr.	4	4	0	3	9
1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr.	3	2	3	1	5
	11	11	5	10	43

Table 3: Citation Count by Traffic Group

Table 5. Cita	ition Count by	Traffic Group						
Quarter	Total	Total	Non-	Injury	Moving	Speed-	License/	Equip
	Citations	Violations	Injury	Crashes	violations	ing	Ins	Viola-
			Crashes					tion
4th Qtr.	28	35	2	1	11	6	19	6
3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr.	20	31	4	0	4	5	14	6
2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr.	31	31	3	1	15	12	9	3
1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr.	31	45	2	1	19	11	8	7
Total	110	142	11	3	49	34	50	22

#### Annual Crime Comparison Statistics for Harrisburg

Table 1: Incidents by Crime Group

Year	Property Crimes	All Other	Person/Crimes	Traffic	Drug/Alcohol
		Offenses			
2020	76	52	41	10	6
2021	100	49	18	13	7

Table 2: Arrest Count by Crime Group

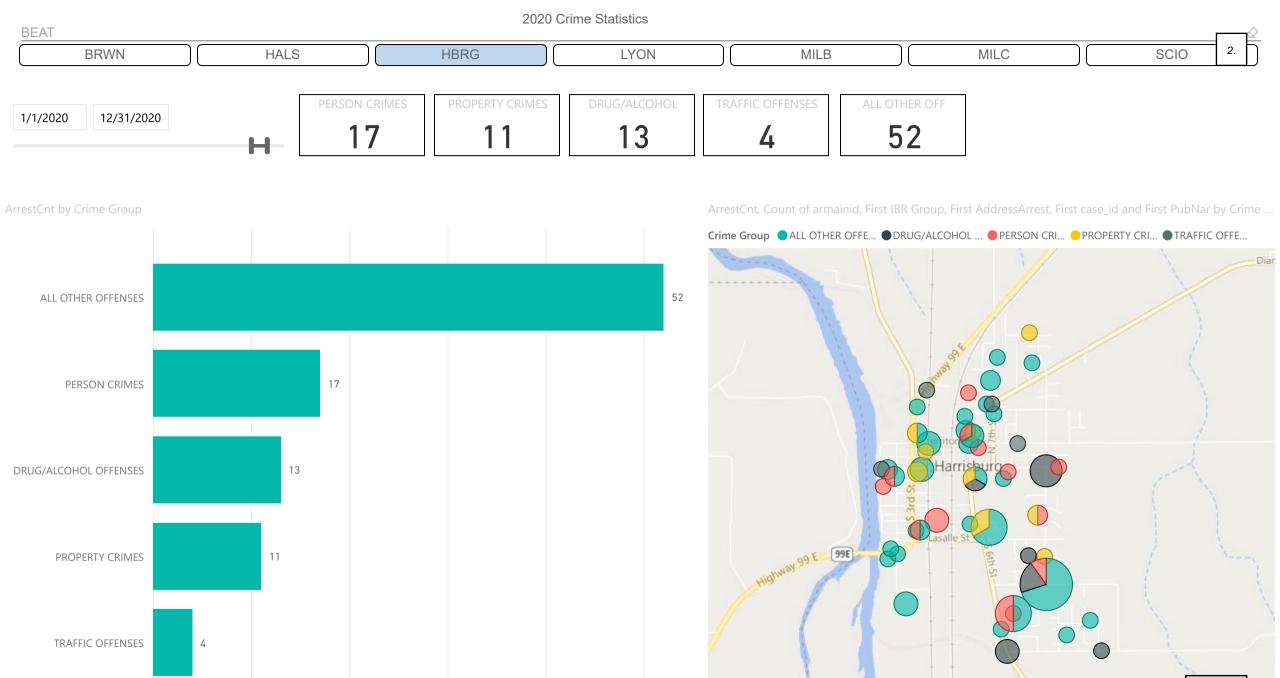
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		Crimes		Offenses	Offenses
2020	17	11	13	4	52
2021	10	11	5	10	43

Table 3: Citation County by Traffic Group

Year	Citations	Violations	Non-	Injury	Lic/Ins.	Speeding	Moving	Equipment	Traffic
			Injury Crashes	Crashes	Violations		Violation	Violation	Crime
2020	120	173	11	3	66	36	29	28	1
2021	112	146	11	3	62	34	39	23	0

#### **Total Crimes**

Year	<b>Total Crimes</b>	Property	Drug/Alcohol	Person	Traffic	Other
2021	187	100	7	18	13	49
2020	185	76	6	41	10	52
2019	188	77	5	34	16	56
2018	190	78	6	17	18	71



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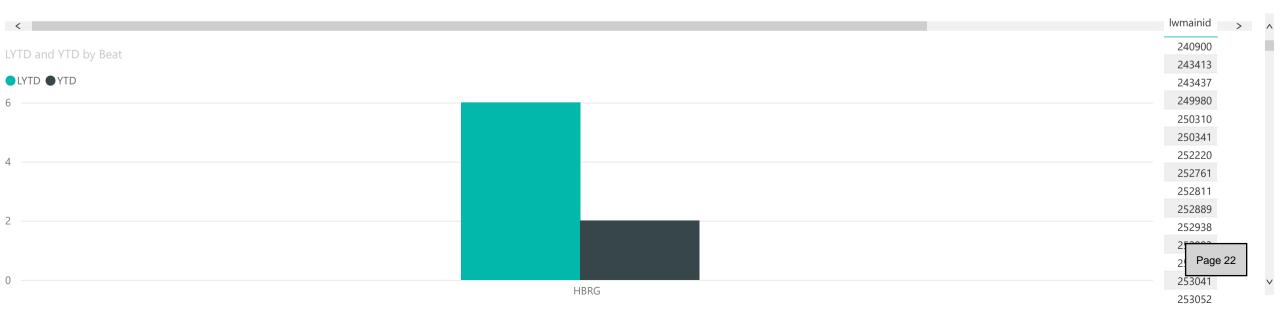
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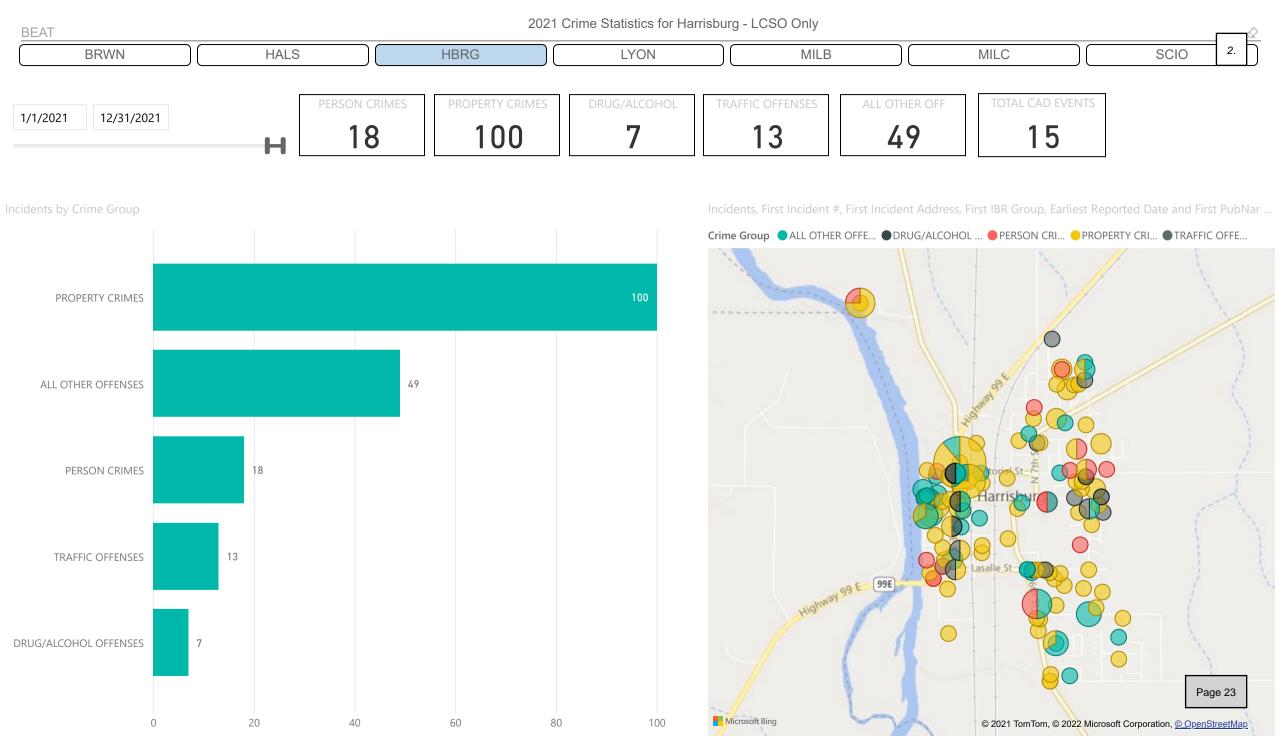
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Year		2017		2018			2019			2020			2021		
Crime Group	LYTD	Count of I	YPC LYTD	Count of lw	YPC	LYTD	Count of I	YPC	LYTD	Count of	YPC	LYTD	Count of lwchrgid	YPC	LYTD Cour
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□ DRUG/ALCOHOL OFFENSES				6		6	5	-16.7%	5	6	20.0%	6	7	16.7%	1
<b>⊞ PERSON CRIMES</b>		1	1	17	1600.0%	17	34	100.0%	34	41	20.6%	41	18	-56.1%	3
<b>⊞ PROPERTY CRIMES</b>		3	3	78	2500.0%	78	77	-1.3%	77	76	-1.3%	76	100	31.6%	
☐ TRAFFIC OFFENSES				18		18	16	-11.1%	16	10	-37.5%	10	13	30.0%	1
⊕ DUII				5		5	6	20.0%	6	4	-33.3%	4	3	-25.0%	
				4		4	7	75.0%	7	3	-57.1%	3	5	66.7%	
				9		9	3	-66.7%	3	3	0.0%	3	5	66.7%	1
Total		7	7	190	2614.3%	190	188	-1.1%	188	185	-1.6%	185	187	1.1%	6





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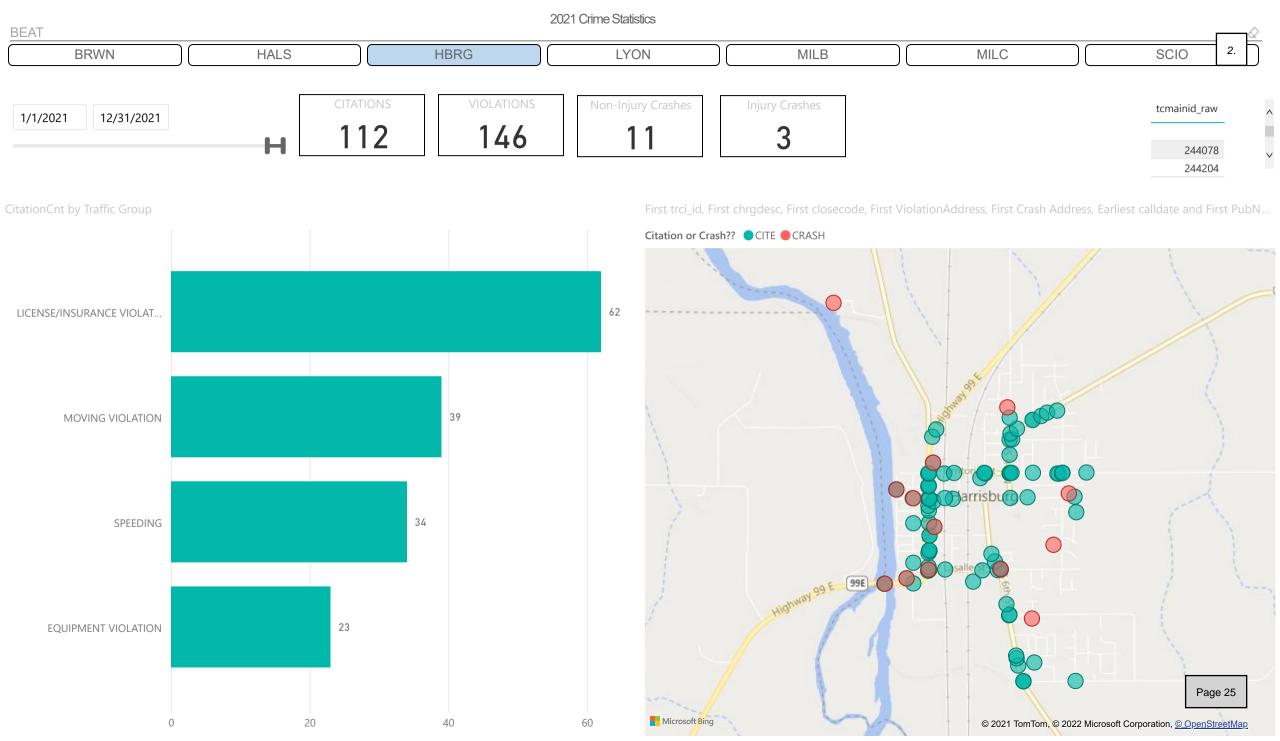
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