

NC Task Force for Racial Equity in Criminal Justice

Working Group 2 – Policing Policy and Practices

Agenda

Meeting #2 – Monday, August 17, 2020, 1:00 p.m.

I. Welcome (2 minutes)

Secretary Hooks will call the meeting to order and welcome the Working Group.

II. Updated Work Plan (3 minutes)

Substantive Staff Lead Jeff Welty will summarize the updated work plan and schedule and invite feedback.

III. Reinventing Public Safety, Part I: Responding to Mental Health, Substance Abuse, and Homelessness (40 minutes)

At the Working Group's first meeting, there was considerable interest in this aspect of the topic area "Reinventing Public Safety and Reinvesting in Communities." Other aspects of the topic area will be addressed during future meetings.

a. Speaker: Chris Blue, Chief, Chapel Hill Police Department (15 minutes)

Chief Blue will describe his department's co-responder approach to mental health issues and explain perceived benefits, costs, and barriers to that approach.

b. Discussion (25 minutes)

The Working Group may be ready to make some tentative recommendations. If not, it should identify the areas or directions in which it is most interested and ask staff to gather any additional information needed to explore those areas or directions.

IV. Use of Force (45 minutes)

The Working Group will consider law enforcement use of force and whether changes to law or practice are needed.

a. Speaker: Seth Stoughton, Professor, University of South Carolina School of Law (20 minutes)

Professor Stoughton will summarize current law regarding use of force and describe potential reforms.

b. Discussion (25 minutes)

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V. **Adjourn**