



Health & Human Services and Public Safety Committee

Tuesday, September 8, 2020, 5:30 PM
Remote Meeting

Councilor Belinda Ray, District 1, Chair
Councilor Tae Chong, District 3
Councilor Pious Ali, At-Large

1. Announcements

- a. Potential Executive Session, pursuant to 1 M.R.S. section 405(6)(E), to consult with the City's attorney regarding the City's rights and duties with respect to safe injection sites and related State and Federal laws.
- b. Please click the link below to join the webinar:
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2. Review and Approval of Minutes from August 11, 2020

- a. Draft meeting minutes from August 11, 2020.

3. Updates

- a. Overdose Prevention Sites

- i. Update on Safehouse case.

Attachments:

1. The October 2, 2019 Memorandum issued by the Federal District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in support its order denying the Government's motion for a judgment on the pleadings. Although this memo and its denial of the government's motion was not dispositive and did constitute final action by the court, this memorandum outlines most of the substantive issues and bases for the court's ultimate decision, issued on February 25, 2020 in favor of Safehouse and against the Government.

2. The Court's February Memorandum entering a declaratory judgment in favor of Safehouse and against the Government.

3. Court's Memorandum supporting its grant of the Government's request to stay the effect of the February 25 order while the Government's appeal of the Court's February 25 order is being appealed.

- ii. Possible Executive Session

4. Smaller Shelter Zoning

- a. Staff Presentation
- b. Committee Questions and Discussion
- c. Public Hearing
- d. Possible Vote

5. Committee Work Plan

- a. HHS & PS 2020 Workplan

6. Next Meeting: October 13, 2020

NOTE: Public comment will be taken at this meeting. If the committee votes to forward this proposal to the full City Council there will be further opportunities for public comment. Please feel free to send comments to members of the committee on any issue at any time via email. Councilors email addresses are available on the city website: www.portlandmaine.gov.

The meeting can be watched online via livestream: www.portlandmaine.gov/livestream

Keep up to date with the new shelter design and planning process at the City's website

www.portlandmaine.gov/shelterplanning