

## Resolution Amending the City Crime Commission

WHEREAS, public safety is a vital function of municipal government; and

WHEREAS, education, community collaboration, and communication all contribute to crime prevention in a community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Madison Heights hereby establishes the City Crime Commission, as follows:

1. Scope.

(a) There is hereby established a commission to be known as the Madison Heights Crime Commission.

(b) Scope:

(1) The purpose and function of the city crime commission is to serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council and to study crime in the city, to make recommendations for its prevention and elimination and to develop citizen cooperation in law enforcement.

(2) This purpose shall include periodic contacts by the commission with members of the community such as school, business and neighborhood leaders as well as police department personnel.

(3) The Commission shall serve to provide good communication and education within the community regarding law enforcement and crime prevention.

(4) The commission can recommend any changes to the City Council. The commission can also be available to receive citizen questions and complaints about crime.

(5) Advise on educational programs and events to promote crime prevention.

(6) To work with outside groups to build relationships between the Police Department and marginalized residents.

2. Membership.

(a) The commission shall be composed of seven (7) members and one (1) ex-officio member as follows:

- (1) Six (6) citizen members and two (2) citizen alternates; Citizen members and alternates shall be appointed by ~~the mayor with approval of a majority vote of~~ the city council. One (1) ex-officio member shall be a Councilmember with a vote and one (1) alternate ex-officio Councilmember.
- (2) The Police Chief or their designee shall serve as non-voting ex-officio member of the Commission and attends all meetings.
- (3) Citizen members shall be a registered elector of the city.
- (4) Members of the commission may be persons with qualifications in such areas as: law enforcement, crime prevention, public communication, and education.
- (5) Terms of the citizen members are three (3) years and are staggered. Councilmember appointments are two-year terms until the next Regular City Council election.
- (6) A Chairperson of the Commission shall be elected from and by the membership annually. The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings.

### 3. Meetings.

- (a) An annual meeting shall be held in April and the Commission will meet as required and agreed upon by the Commission.
- (b) The Commission shall follow Robert's Rules of Order and keep a record of its proceedings. All Meetings shall be noticed and conducted in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act (1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 through 15.275, as amended).
- (c) Attendance by 50% or more of the current membership of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any action of the commission shall require a concurrence of the majority of quorum present at the meeting.