

**CITY OF PALM DESERT
STAFF REPORT**

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2025

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE 2025 WORK PLAN

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Public Safety Committee’s 2025 Work Plan.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

The Public Safety Committee (PSC) now meets every other month to review law enforcement operations and public safety matters, providing recommendations to the City Council as needed.

At the February 11, 2025, meeting, staff presented a proposed work plan outlining six potential areas of focus. Committee members were invited to review and provide feedback. At the March 11, 2025, meeting, the committee identified three key priority areas for the 2025 work plan:

Priority	Description
1. Community Policing	Strengthen collaboration with the Riverside County Sheriff’s Department to enhance community policing efforts and engagement.
2. Public Safety Budget, Emergency Preparedness, and Fire Inspections for Businesses and Buildings	Monitor and review the public safety budget to ensure alignment with community safety priorities. Assess the effectiveness of fire inspection services for local businesses and buildings.
3. Innovative Technology	Explore and evaluate emerging technologies that can improve public safety services and enhance operational efficiency.

To ensure comprehensive oversight and equitable distribution of responsibilities, the committee established subcommittees for each priority area during its March 11, 2025, meeting. These subcommittees will facilitate in-depth analysis and ensure ongoing progress across all focus areas.

Appointed Body Recommendation:

This item was presented to the Public Safety Committee at its March 11, 2025 meeting, where a motion was passed to proceed with the proposed work plan.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with adoption of the work plan.
