

# PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

July 25, 2017

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### In Attendance

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Councilman Anthony Byrd, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. in the Council Assembly Room. A quorum was present, including Council Chairman Jerry Mitchell, Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Council members Carol Berz, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Chip Henderson, Darrin Ledford and Erskine Oglesby. Also present were Wade Hinton, City Attorney, and Keren Campbell, Administrative Support Specialist.

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### Others in Attendance

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Chattanooga Police: Scott Fulgham, Captain

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### Approval of Minutes

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On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Gilbert, the minutes from the last meeting (June 13, 2017) were approved as published.

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### Presentation: Sound Ordinance

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Captain Fulgham gave a presentation on the section of the Sound Ordinance that was specific to off road vehicles and spoke to the need for it as nothing was written for these particular vehicles in what has already been set in place. After his presentation, a discussion ensued with Captain Fulgham regarding the following:

- The penalty for violating the ordinance (Councilman Gilbert)
- The affected businesses that operate overnight (Councilman Gilbert)
- How to enforce the ordinance (Councilman Gilbert)
- What constituents could do to ensure that laws are enforced (Councilman Gilbert)
- Whether there would be sound meters in every sector in the near future (Councilman Gilbert)
- Whether early morning issues are addressed in the ordinance. (Councilman Gilbert)
- Clarification on this pertaining specifically to off road vehicles (Vice-Chairman Smith)
- How to differentiate between if the noise is private or public. (Councilwoman Berz)
- Exceptions to noise after 11pm (Councilwoman Berz)
- The effect on non-emergency construction (Councilwoman Berz)
- The time our permit starts (Councilwoman Berz)
- Are we adding off road vehicles to what we already have in place? (Councilwoman Berz)

Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

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### Adjournment

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There being no further business, Councilman Byrd adjourned the meeting at 3:21 p.m.