

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



Agenda Date:	October 21, 2024
Action Required:	Presentation
Presenter:	Samuel Sanders, Jr., City Manager
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Title:	Community Interventions

Background

City Council and the City Manager have heard from many constituents across the city on a range of critical issues. The various items can be categorized as Community Safety, Homeless Services, and Quality of Life. These are broad topic areas that are also complex in that they have multiple layers and contributing factors to complicate the approach to addressing each of them. What is common among the categories is that there are multiple ways to consider addressing them and rarely is there one simple option available that everyone can agree on.

Discussion

The City Manager has chief among his responsibilities, the obligation to implement the Council's vision for the city. Last year, Council adopted nine (9) Strategic Outcome Areas and a Commitment to JEDI to frame the work of the city staff. The staff is currently engaged in the development of strategies and identification of measures for how to implement the Council's vision. This work is being led by the City Manager's Office and includes the engagement of more than 100 city staff who we call City Strategists.

Separately, the City Manager has been researching, evaluating, and considering a combination of work efforts to better address some high priority considerations in our community. This presentation to the Council and the public will outline a series of options for consideration, and where possible more than one option might be available. The presentation will be framed by three community intervention areas: Community Safety, Homeless Services, and Quality of Life. These areas of focus are by no means the only things that rank high on the To-Do List, but they are matters with elements of high urgency that require this specific moment to pause and consider ways to intervene, disrupt, and change the outcomes facing members of our community.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

Council's Vision: To be a place where everyone thrives is the focus of this presentation, where opportunities to intervene, disrupt, and change outcomes facing members of our community could result.

Community Engagement

Engagement on this presentation consisted of conversations with a variety of nonprofit organizations, political leaders both in the city and county, healthcare leaders, and consultants on community intervention strategies. City staff were engaged to assess conditions and options as well.

Budgetary Impact**Recommendation****Alternatives****Attachments**

None