



Special Public Safety and Justice Virtual Council Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 6, 2025
6:00 PM
Council Chambers Virtual

Members:	Present:	Excused:	Unexcused:	Commence:	6:00PM
				Adjourn:	8:00PM
Joe Vinson, Chair	X				
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Peter Kwon	X				

Staff Coordinator: Captain Gabriel Morris & Chief Troy Smithmeyer
Other Staff Present: Jonathan Young, Cindy Corsilles (remote), Ha Dao (remote), MPO Chapman, PCO Varang

1. Call to Order	Chair Joe Vinson called the meeting to order at 6:00PM
2. Public Comment	There were no public comments.
3. Review of 10/2/25 Minutes	<p><u>X</u> Approved</p> <p>The 10/2/2025 meeting minutes were approved as written.</p>
4. Parking Ecosystem and Enforcement	<p><u>X</u> Discussion</p> <p>Captain Gabriel Morris gave a presentation regarding the parking ecosystem and parking enforcement program in the City of SeaTac. Captain Morris gave an overview of Parking Enforcement and Traffic/Motor Deputies staffing as well as the purpose of traffic deputies assisting with parking enforcement. Parking statutes were discussed, including the following codes: SMC: 9.05.110a, 9.05.011, SMC: 9.50.080, SMC: 9.05.090, SMC: 9.05.050, SMC: 9.05.065.</p> <p>One of the most prominent issues parking enforcement handles is vehicle impounds – mostly due to blocking fire lanes, vehicle registration/tabs over 45 days, and abandoned vehicles. Statistically, approximately 75%-80% of parking citations are paid on time, and 20%-25% are forwarded to collections.</p> <p>Parking enforcement staffing currently consists of 2 Parking Enforcement Officers (employed by the City of SeaTac) who work 10-hour shifts. Scheduling allows for 7-day coverage for parking enforcement. Captain Morris mentioned how SeaTac currently has 2 Traffic Deputies: their schedule covering peak</p>

	<p>traffic timeframes. He mentioned that SeaTac could benefit from an additional 1-2 Traffic Deputies.</p> <p>Questions and discussion occurred regarding ticketing and towing due to expired tabs, the issues surrounding rideshares, Ubers, and taxis parking in residential areas/permit zones, as well as the potential for Parking Compliance Officers being able to authorize tows. It was agreed on that more data is needed and that other city ordinances would be looked at.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p>
5. Pursuit Related Incidents	<p><u>X</u> Discussion</p> <p>Police Chief Smithmeyer addressed pursuit-related incidents and statistics, both within the City of SeaTac, as well as other King County cities. There have been 25 pursuits within SeaTac alone. Chief Smithmeyer talked about the issues the department faces when deciding if, when, and how to pursue a vehicle and the circumstances surrounding those decisions and what this looks like from a law enforcement standpoint.</p> <p>Discussion occurred surrounding potential pursuit policy change to reduce risk to residents and property in regard to pursuits.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p>
6. FLOCK/ALPR	<p>Police Chief Smithmeyer discussed FLOCK/ALPR cameras – their data, FLOCK access, and Police alignment. Access has been incredibly limited for outside agencies accessing FLOCK. Currently, within SeaTac PD, only 4 people have access (Chief Smithmeyer, 2 captains, and 1 sergeant). Chief Smithmeyer stressed the importance of security and ensuring that there is no access granted to outside agencies. Councilmember Kwon explained some background on FLOCK and how it's a huge benefit to the city, but stressed the importance of educating SeaTac residents on the benefits of the FLOCK system and its uses, as well as stressing that FLOCK is not being used by any outside agency to ensure residents' peace of mind. Chief Smithmeyer spoke on the importance of the FLOCK system and how it benefits the City of SeaTac by greatly reducing crime and protecting its citizens – he also mentioned that the more the public knows about FLOCK, the better.</p> <p>Discussion followed regarding getting a FLOCK audit schedule and potentially developing an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between King County cities to ensure that FLOCK is not accessed by any outside agencies to further protect the citizens of King County.</p> <p>Discussion / Questions followed.</p>
	<p><i>Next meeting TBD, at 6:00PM.</i></p> <p><i>Potential topics TBD.</i></p>
7. Adjourn	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 8PM by Councilmember Vinson.</p>