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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 10, 2020

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FM: Ginny Sawyer, Project and Policy Manager 

TH: Darin Atteberry, City Manager 
Kelly DiMartino, Deputy City Manager 

RE: September 8, 2020 Work Session Summary: Community Impact Ad Hoc Committee

Mayor Troxell, Mayor Pro Tem Stephens and Councilmembers Gutowsky, Pignataro, Summers, Cunniff, and Gorgol attended remotely.

Staff provided a brief overview of the creation of the committee and the general emerging themes, including:

- The Ad Hoc Community Impact Committee was established by Resolution 2020-060 on June 23, 2020 with an overall purpose of ensuring that the City is creating an environment that provides safety and equity for all residents.
- The Committee is made up of Councilmembers Emily Gorgol, Julie Pignataro, and Susan Gutowsky.
- The Committee has met three times to date and will continue to meet monthly throughout the year and until at least April 2021.
- While the Committee will bring perspective to the 2020 budget conversations, there is also a recognition that more community-informed recommendations could occur in 2021.

General themes:

- Hear and learn from the lived experiences of community members.
- Review Police operations and metrics ensuring safe community for all.
- Better understand community programs and access to programs.
- Utilize the Equity Indicator initiative and existing outreach efforts to inform any action.
- Work with community non-profits and organizations to achieve safety and equity for all residents.

Council Discussion:

Multiple Councilmembers expressed appreciation for the work of committee and an understanding that new committees can take time to establish clear goals and recommendations. There was recognition that while the Resolution speaks to making budget



recommendations the Committee wants to be intentional in their work and they don't feel they have had time to hear from the community or explore areas of inequity.

Other comments and suggestions:

- Recommendations to reach out to long-term Hispanic families (see video series), Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) group, and the Coloradoan.
- Prioritize COVID related impacts in any work.
- Recognition that mid-year appropriation may be needed.
- Committee would like to have a "planning calendar" to help see a roadmap/timeline going forward.
- Review Community Trust work.