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### **Approved Minutes Friendship Heights Village Council Public Safety Committee Monday, February 24, 2025**

**Council Public Safety Committee members present:** Cheryl Tyler;  
Bobby Pestronk; Melanie White.

**Others present:** Julian Mansfield; Alfred Muller; Allan Evans.

At 6 p.m., Ms. Tyler called the meeting of the Friendship Heights Village Council Public Safety Committee to order. She referred to the meeting agenda.

#### **Approval of Minutes: February 3, 2025**

Ms. White moved, Mr. Pestronk seconded, to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2025 Public Safety Committee meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

#### **Hiring Off-Duty Police Officers**

Ms. Tyler indicated the Committee has not yet received anticipated comments and questions regarding hiring the off-duty Police officers directly. The Committee will compile the questions and refer them to the Village attorney. This item was deferred pending clarification of the issues to be explored.

#### **Analysis of Security Options**

Ms. Tyler indicated that no information was received on this item, so it was deferred.

#### **Parking Enforcement Policy**

Ms. Tyler referred to an email received from Village resident Paul Brown regarding Village parking enforcement and the possible development of a parking policy. Committee members discussed whether a policy should be drafted regarding parking enforcement given the complexity of the issue. Ms. Tyler suggested that the building managers should be contacted to determine what policies or procedures are in place regarding delivery vehicles and where they are instructed to park when they make deliveries at the various buildings. Mr. Mansfield will follow up with the building managers and report back to the Committee with this information along with clarification about the location and function of the on-street loading zones throughout the Village.

**Bus Shelter for Willard Avenue**

Ms. Tyler referred to the bus shelter at the corner of North Park and Willard Avenues which is no longer used. She and Mr. Mansfield explored options for moving the bus shelter to the front of Willard Towers in order to serve the Willard Towers residents waiting for the Village shuttle bus. Mr. Mansfield learned that the County DPS would require a permit to place the shelter on the Willard Avenue sidewalk in front of Willard Towers, which the Village would rather not pursue. Another possible option would be to place the shelter on Willard Towers property near the driveway. The Village would cover the cost to move the shelter to the new location. Mr. Mansfield will explore this possibility with Willard Towers management.

**Speed Radar Sign for Willard Avenue**

Following up on previous Committee discussions about the Village purchasing and donating a speed radar sign to the County Police for use on Willard Avenue, Mr. Mansfield reported that Lt. Ari Elkin has recommended a specific radar sign from All Traffic Solutions and provided their proposal. This sign includes the capability to capture speed data remotely, which is preferred by the Police. The total cost would be \$5,449. Mr. Mansfield recommended approval and the Committee expressed support for this option. Mr. Mansfield will follow up with the Police Foundation regarding the agreement that this will be purchased and donated by the Village.

No other actions were taken by the Public Safety Committee. Mr. Pestronk moved, Ms. White seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



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Cheryl Tyler, Public Safety Committee Chair