

RESOLUTION NO. 53
Hearings on PIER Plan

WHEREAS, according to the rules of the St. Louis Board of Aldermen the Public Safety Committee shall:

"consider all matters pertaining to the Department of Public Safety, the Police Department, corrections, excise laws and regulations, the Fire Department, the Division of Building and Inspections, and the City Emergency Management Agency (CEMA)"

WHEREAS, Mayor Slay enacted the St. Louis City Comprehensive Crime Reduction Plan in December 2015 in response to requests for the creation of a holistic approach to crime prevention from the Public Safety Committee and African-American Aldermen; and

WHEREAS, this plan was named the "Plan to Reduce Crime Through Prevention, Intervention, Enforcement and Reentry Strategies – (PIER Plan)"; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies have shown that sustainable crime prevention must include a holistic approach that includes reducing and ultimately eliminating crime "indicators"; and

WHEREAS, crime indicators are those elements, issues, conditions and/or environments that foster, promote and encourage crime including poverty, poor healthcare, lack of educational opportunities, discrimination, and the like; and

WHEREAS, the PIER Plan targeted 15 high crime neighborhoods by proposing to provide additional City services designed to reduce crime in those areas while maintaining present crime prevention in remaining portions of the city; and

WHEREAS, the plan includes bench marks, goals and objectives with timetables as ways to measure the success and progression of the effort; and

WHEREAS, crime reduction is an important topic toward the improvement of the City particularly to the neighborhoods and citizens plagued with this issue; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee is charged with duty to handle matters of Public Safety for the Board of Aldermen.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we direct the Public Safety Committee to hold public hearings at least every other month with the necessary city officials to review and get updates on the implementation of the PIER Plan and take whatever actions it deems necessary including making any recommendations to the Board toward assisting the reduction of crime in the City.

Introduced on the 9th day of June, 2017, by:

The Honorable Jeffery Boyd, 22nd Ward Alderman

Adopted the 9th day of June, 2017, as attested by:

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