An ordinance directing the Public Safety Director to complete an annual Public Safety Plan (the “Plan”) and present the findings of the Plan to members of the Board of Aldermen and the Board of Aldermen Public Safety Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: DEFINITIONS.

When used in this ordinance:

- "Public Safety Plan" (the “Plan”) shall mean a report created by the Public Safety Director. It shall contain a comprehensive analysis and plan to reduce crime in the City.
- “Public Safety Director” shall mean the Public Safety Director employed by the City of St. Louis who shall be responsible for the creation of the "Plan" as provided in this ordinance.
- “Appendix” shall mean the section at the end of the Plan where data used in its preparation is compiled for reference purposes. Data shall be compiled in tables as to type and category with current and historical data for the immediately prior five years to the extent that it is reasonably obtainable from St. Louis Development Corporation’s City Economic Growth Strategy Report and other St. Louis City agencies, districts, and departments. Categories and types of data used in the creation of the Plan may include, without limitation, the following: Population and demographic totals; Building permits and valuations data; Total employment by sector; Total personal
income; Public school enrollment; and Public Safety total revenue and expense totals.

SECTION TWO: PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN

(a) The City of St. Louis has a wealth of competitive assets that can be positioned to advance the future of St. Louis. However, despite the City’s vast array of assets, the City is in need of direction to better utilize our assets and reduce the crime rate. Many of our neighborhoods suffer from a high rate of crime and violence. This affects our residents and visitors alike and limits our ability to grow and thrive as a city. The purpose of the City of St. Louis Public Safety Plan is to define the areas of issue and create a strategy to help address these issues and move the City forward. The Plan will be a tool that will provide data to the City of St. Louis and the Board of Aldermen along with better information on the strengths and weaknesses of the City’s public safety entities. The plan will be an information source during budget discussions and the Board of Aldermen shall consider funding of programs included in the report. If the plan is utilized properly, it can be a process for coordination and unity across the City and can help serve as a bridge to break through decades of divisions to bring groups together that are in desperate need of repair with a centralized focus.

SECTION THREE. PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN STRATEGY. The Public Safety Plan shall be a critical, strategic analysis of the crime rates in the City, including, but not limited to, the categories of homicide, aggravated assault, rape, robbery, vehicle theft, burglary, reckless driving, human trafficking related offenses, and crimes committed by juveniles. It shall utilize national crime prevention best practices in the creation of the plan. The completed Plan shall recommend goals for strengthening public safety, improving community relations and reducing the crime rate with recommended strategies, guidelines, and timeline for achieving such goals.
SECTION FOUR. PLAN DEADLINE. The Public Safety Director shall submit the completed Public Safety Plan to the Board of Aldermen and the Board of Aldermen Public Safety Committee on or before July 1, of each year thereafter with the first Report to be completed by October 31, 2019. The Public Safety Director shall submit to the Board of Aldermen’s Public Safety Committee, on a calendar quarterly basis, the current crime rates of the various categories included in the annual Public Safety Plan per Section 3 of this ordinance. The Report shall be presented to the Public Safety Committee. Within thirty days following the Board of Aldermen’s receipt of the plan, the Chairman of the Public Safety Committee shall convene a meeting of the Committee for this purpose.

SECTION FIVE. COMPONENTS OF THE [CITY ECONOMIC GROWTH STRATEGY REPORT] PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN. The Public Safety Plan shall include reports and analyses of the following matters and such other matters as the Public Safety Director may deem relevant:

- Crime Rate Area Overview. The Plan shall provide a detailed overview of the areas with high crime rates, types of crime and statistics and data related to the crimes committed in the City.
- Community Relations Strategy. The Plan shall provide a detailed section on the plan to improve community relations in the City with law enforcement. The section shall outline a strategy to improve relations.
- Public Safety Recommendations. The Plan shall provide a detailed and comprehensive strategy for the City. The section of the Plan will outline recommendations as to what, if any, changes to the City’s laws, policies and procedures may be necessary or advisable to achieve the Public Safety Plan.
• Implementation and Performance Update. The Plan shall provide a detailed update of how the Public Safety Plan Strategy should be implemented, and in a year-over-year analysis on the City’s crime rate and how the strategy as implemented has impacted the achievement of the goals of the Plan, detailing any obstacles that hurt the implementation of the Plan over the previous ten years and recommendations on how to overcome these obstacles going forward.