



City of Gig Harbor

Finance and Safety Committee Minutes

Council Committee Abersold, Rodenberg, Woock

December 20, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.
Online Meeting

Call to Order: 4:03 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Council Members Abersold, Rodenberg, and Woock, Kelly Busey Police Chief, Kameil Borders Human Resources Director, and Michael Williams Finance Technician.

Approval of Minutes from October 25, 2021.

New Business:

1. Retail Theft Ordinance Mr. Busey reported on the creation of an ordinance for retail theft. Problems arose as far as identifying high risk retailers. Many items including volume, type of business, police responses, and square footage. None of these items could solely be used or a combination. The retailers are just too diverse to identify high risk in a manageable way. Mr. Busey then presented the “Business Check” program. This allows a business to request a Business Check if they feel a risky situation has arisen. A police presence would then be sent to the requesting business area. This would present a presence without any profiling. Between the Business Check and person to person contact Mr. Busey feels this might be the best deterrent rather than creating an ordinance. Questions followed about possible landlord liability, Crimestoppers, or other organizations. Also questions arose about vigilantly action, and is it happening in Gig Harbor.
2. 2021 OSHA Report Ms. Borders presented a report. This included Retro Program information, training information and L & I Ergonomics Accommodations. Council Member Woock asked about Covid-19 measures.
3. Mr. Rodenberg commented that the report on fireworks has been moved to the March 21, 2022, Finance and Safety Committee meeting.
4. Thanks were given to Council Member Abersold with his work on the committee.

Adjourn: 4:34 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: March 21, 2021