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Memorandum
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TO: Honorable City Council Members

FROM: The Honorable Council President Sam Newby

SUBJECT: 20211020 Memorandum Safer Together Workshops Completion

I am grateful to the late Former City Council President Tommy Hazouri for commencing the series of workshops on community policing, policies, procedures, and budgeting, known as “**Safer Together**.” Since several Council Members raised a number of questions that would require subject matter experts to speak to, these workshops were established to provide a venue for these experts to share their knowledge with members of this body and the general public. In addition, this forum has provided individuals an opportunity to share the experiences which shaped their attitude regarding our policing community. For the accomplishment of these goals, I am grateful.

Furthermore, I applaud the Honorable Michael Boylan and the Honorable Joyce Morgan for their advantageous and beneficial satisfaction of the initial goals for these conversations. The two of you have completed significant work in the achievement of hosting “*constructive organized fact finding dialogues about the challenges, successes, and opportunities available to us to make this a safer community for all our citizens.*”

Lastly, thank you for the final report that has been submitted and duly noted. I appreciate your willingness to serve.

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