

City of Flint, Michigan

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Meeting Agenda - Final

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

4:30 PM

ELECTRONIC PUBLIC MEETING

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL

*Kate Fields, President, Ward 4
Maurice D. Davis, Vice President, Ward 2*

*Eric Mays, Ward 1
Jerri Winfrey-Carter, Ward 5
Monica Galloway, Ward 7*

*Santino J. Guerra, Ward 3
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Davina Donahue, Deputy Clerk

SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE -- ELECTRONIC PUBLIC MEETING

SPECIAL FLINT CITY COUNCIL ELECTRONIC PUBLIC MEETING

On Friday, October 5, 2020, the Michigan Supreme Court (MSC) issued an order declaring that the Emergency Powers of Governor (EPG) Act as an unconstitutional delegation of legislative authority, which was the primary authority relied on by Governor Whitmer for her COVID-19 related executive orders. Subsequently, Governor Whitmer requested that the MSC clarify that their order does not go into effect until October 30, 2020. On Monday October 12, 2020, the Michigan Supreme Court rejected Governor Whitmer's request to delay the effect of its decision to strike down the EPG. On, Tuesday, October 13, 2020, Senate Bill 1108 passed, amending the Open Meetings Act to allow municipalities to hold electronic meetings. On Friday, October 16, 2020, Governor Whitmer signed into law Senate Bill 1108 amending the Open Meetings Act. Subsequently, on December 22, 2020, Public Act 267 of 1976 was amended through Senate Bill 1246 extending the electronic meetings with no reason through March 31, 2021. The act also allows after March 31, 2021, electronic meetings may be held if a local state of emergency was declared based on amendments made to MCL 15.263. On March 23, 2020, the Flint City Council extended Mayor Neeley's declaration of emergency indefinitely due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, this meeting will be held electronically.

Pursuant to Act 267 of the Public Acts of 1976 Open Meetings Act as amended and Flint City Charter Section 3-202, notice is hereby given that Mayor Sheldon A. Neeley hereby calls for a Special Meeting of the Flint City Council scheduled to be held as follows:

Date: Wednesday, July 28, 2021 Time: 4:30 P.M.

Location: Electronically

The meeting is being held for the following purpose:

- **Discussion of the Gun Violence Declaration; and**
- **Schedule of Town Hall meetings for community input on spending American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)**

1. *The public and media may listen to the meeting online by live stream broadcast on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo2BdarsY5gNtQSTP9Ltl3Q> or through Start Meeting Solution by dialing (617) 944-8177.*

2. *In order to speak during the public meeting by telephone, you will also call (617) 944-8177:*

- a. *All callers will be queued and muted during the Public Hearing.*
- b. *The public speaker will be unmuted in order and asked if they wish to speak during public comment.*
- c. *The public speaker should state and spell name their name and be allowed 3 minutes for public speaking.*
- d. *The speaker will be returned to mute after the 3 minutes have expired.*
- e. *After the telephonic public speakers are completed, then emailed public comments on the public hearing will be read by the City Clerk. All emailed public comments will be timed for 3 minutes.*

3. *The public may send public comments by email to CouncilPublicComment@cityofflint.com no later than 10 minutes prior to the meeting start time of 5:00 p.m.*

4. *Persons with disabilities may participate in the meeting by the abovementioned means and by emailing and requesting for an accommodation to CouncilPublicComment@cityofflint.com, with subject line Request for Accommodation or by contacting the City Clerk at (810) 766-7418 to request accommodation including but not limited to interpreters.*

This Special City Council meeting was called by Mayor Sheldon A. Neeley to 1. Discussion of the Gun Violence Declaration, and 2. Schedule of Town Hall Meetings for Community Input on Spending the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MEMBER REMOTE ANNOUNCEMENT

Pursuant to the newly revised Open Meetings Act, each Council member shall state that they are attending the meeting remotely and shall state where he or she is physically located (county or city and state).

MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION

Eric Mays - (810) 922-4860; Maurice Davis - mdavis@cityofflint.com; Santino Guerra - sguerra@cityofflint.com; Kate Fields - kfields@cityofflint.com; Jerri Winfrey-Carter - jwinfrey-carter@cityofflint.com; Herbert Winfrey - (810) 691-7463; Monica Galloway - mgalloway@cityofflint.com; Allan Griggs - agriggs@cityofflint.com; Eva Worthing - eworthing@cityofflint.com.

PROCEDURES ON CONDUCTING ELECTRONIC MEETINGS

All boards and commissions must adhere to all laws established under the Michigan Compiled Laws and in accordance with the revisions to the Open Meetings Act adopted in Senate Bill 1108, as passed on October 13, 2020, and signed into law on October 16, 2020.

READING OF DISORDERLY PERSONS CITY CODE SUBSECTION

Any person that persists in disrupting this meeting will be in violation of Flint City Code Section 31-10, Disorderly Conduct, Assault and Battery, and Disorderly Persons, and will be subject to arrest for a misdemeanor. Any person who prevents the peaceful and orderly conduct of any meeting will be given one warning. If they persist in disrupting the meeting, that individual will be subject to arrest. Violators shall be removed from meetings.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRAYER OR BLESSING

REQUEST FOR CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Council shall vote on any agenda changes.

SPECIAL ORDERS

210344 Special Order/Gun Violence Declaration/Schedule of Town Hall Meetings

A Special Order as requested by Mayor Sheldon A. Neeley for *Discussion of the Gun Violence Declaration, and *Schedule of Town Hall meetings for community

input on spending American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Per the amended Rules Governing Meetings of the Council (as adopted by the City Council on Monday, June 12, 2017), three (3) minutes per speaker. Only one speaking opportunity per speaker.

COUNCIL RESPONSE

Per the amended Rules Governing Meetings of the Council (as adopted by the City Council on Monday, June 12, 2017), Councilpersons may respond to any public speaker, but only one response and only when all public speakers have been heard. Individual council response is limited to two minutes.

RESOLUTIONS

210348 Emergency Declaration Continuance/Gun Violence

Resolution resolving that the Flint City Council approves the continuation of a local State of Emergency as it relates to gun violence, in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976, to continue indefinitely after July 30, 2021.

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT



210348

RESOLUTION NO.: _____

PRESENTED: JUL 28 2021

ADOPTED: _____

RESOLUTION CONTINUING MAYOR NEELEY'S DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF FLINT TO ADDRESS GUN VIOLENCE

BY THE MAYOR:

WHEREAS, on Friday, July 23, 2021, Mayor Neeley declared a local State of Emergency in the City of Flint to combat gun violence (See Attached Declaration) in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976, for the incorporated boundaries of the City of Flint, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, gun violence is reaching crisis levels: gun violence is the leading cause of premature death in the U.S. and gun injuries total \$280 billion in healthcare/societal costs annually in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, to date there have been 39 homicides in the City of Flint in 2021 and an 80% increase in non-fatal shootings in comparison to 2020, creating an unsafe environment for Flint residents, which must be addressed immediately and continually.

WHEREAS, the Mayor desires to remain vigilant to protect the public health, welfare and safety of all individuals residing in the City of Flint and believes it to be prudent to continue the local declaration of a state of emergency.

WHEREAS, in accordance with MCL 30.410(1)(b) of the Michigan Emergency Management Act, to continue the emergency beyond 7 days, the governing body, which is the Flint City Council must provide consent. Therefore, it is requested that the Flint City Council consent to continue this emergency beyond the 7 days.

IT IS RESOLVED that the Flint City Council approves the continuation of a local State of Emergency as is relates to gun violence, in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976 to continue indefinitely after July 30, 2021.

FOR THE CITY OF FLINT:



Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL:

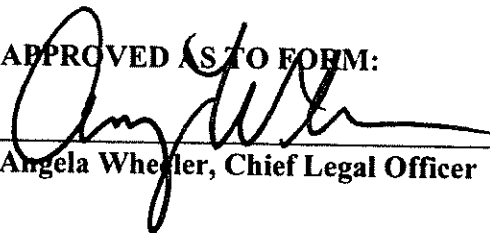
Kate Fields, City Council President



RESOLUTION NO.: _____

PRESENTED: _____

ADOPTED: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer

**SUPPLEMENTAL
MATERIALS FOR THE
7-28-21 SPECIAL CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
CALLED BY
MAYOR NEELEY**



DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO GUN VIOLENCE

BY THE MAYOR:

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976, I am declaring a local State of Emergency for the incorporated boundaries of the City of Flint, Michigan to address gun violence; and

WHEREAS, gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, gun violence is reaching crisis levels and is the leading cause of premature death in the United States and gun injuries totaling \$280 billion in healthcare/societal costs annually; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flint has been disproportionately affected by the direct and indirect consequences of gun violence; and

WHEREAS, to date there have been 158 non-fatal shootings in 2021 in comparison to 88 non-fatal shootings in 2020. This is an 80% increase from last year; and

WHEREAS, Homicide numbers are up 30.43% compared to this same time in 2020; and

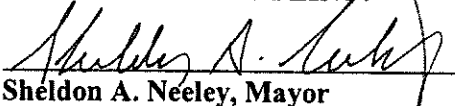
WHEREAS, to date there have been 39 homicides committed in the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, I am requesting that all things necessary be done to address this local State of Emergency Declaration, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, this action is being taken to protect the public health, safety and welfare of citizens of Flint; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, Mayor Sheldon A. Neeley declare a local State of Emergency in the City of Flint due to gun violence, effective, July 23, 2021.

FOR THE CITY OF FLINT:


Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

Date: July 23, 2021



EXECUTIVE ORDER #21-001

CITY OF FLINT EXECUTIVE ORDER ON GUN VIOLENCE- ESTABLISH THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (ERT) FOR TRAUMATIC EVENTS AND COORDINATE SERVICES BETWEEN THE FLINT POLICE DEPARTMENT AND MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY

Sheldon A. Neeley
Mayor

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2021, I issued a local Declaration of Emergency in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976 and Flint City Charter §14-5, to address gun violence. This Order declared a State of Emergency to exist in the City of Flint because of gun violence. Gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flint has been disproportionately affected by the direct and indirect consequences of gun violence; and homicides numbers are up 30.43% compared to this time in 2020; and to date there have been 39 homicides perpetrated and an 80% increase in non-fatal shootings; and

WHEREAS, Consistent with the Flint City Charter Declaration of Rights, “The people of Flint have mandated that the City shall provide for public peace and health and for the safety of persons and property in the City; and they require that City officers promote respect for these rights and freedoms;” and

WHEREAS, to address safety issues forthwith, to protect the public health and safety of City of Flint residents, it is necessary for the City to establish the emergency response team (ERT) for traumatic events and coordinate services between the Flint Police Department and mental health professionals to serve the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELDON A. NEELEY, Mayor of the City of Flint with the authority vested in the Mayor of the City of Flint by law, I issue the following Executive Order to establish the emergency response team (ERT) for traumatic events and coordinate services between the Flint Police Department and mental health professionals to serve the community.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. I issue Order 21-001 as reasonably and necessary to establish the emergency response team (ERT) for traumatic events and coordinate services between the Flint Police Department and mental health professionals to serve the community.
2. The City develop the Emergency Response Team (ERT) for Traumatic Events, consisting of specially trained law enforcement officers and detectives whose primary purpose is to respond to cases that could involve mental health concerns,

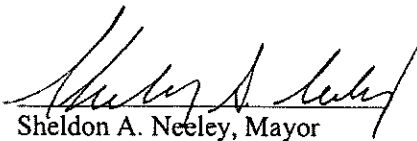
and address the issues considering both criminal justice and behavioral health. This mobile crisis team will also be comprised of medical professionals, child advocacy professionals, resource coordinators, social-workers, community liaisons, and clergy as appropriate, who will provide mental-health services at a person's home, at the scene, or current location.

3. This unit will be tasked with including, but not limited to responding to mental health crisis calls, de-escalating situations, and preventing retaliatory actions from individuals in distress who are threatening self-harm or harm toward others.
4. There would be coordination between the Flint Police Department and mental health professionals for wrap-around services.
5. Training be established for the Emergency Response Team for Traumatic Events.
6. Funding be used to implement Executive Order 21-001 in accordance with MCL 30.410(1)(c).
7. I request that the Genesee County Board of Commissioners allocate funds for the City of Flint to address mental health concerns in policing and call a Special Meeting to take action supporting this local State of Emergency consistent with the following Community Mental Health Millage Focus Areas 1 and 2.
 - a. Law Enforcement/First Response CIT Mental Health Response Team
 - b. Law Enforcement/Mental Health Co-Response and Jail Diversion

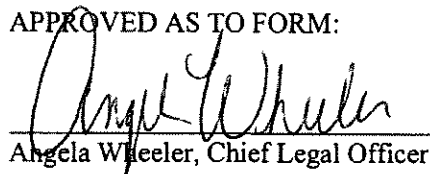
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the City Clerk and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not; create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the City of Flint, its departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

Effective Date: July ~~21~~²³, 2021


Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer



EXECUTIVE ORDER #21-002

CITY OF FLINT EXECUTIVE ORDER ON GUN VIOLENCE- ESTABLISH PARTNERSHIPS WITH GRASS ROOTS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS TO COMBAT GUN VIOLENCE

Sheldon A. Neeley
Mayor

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2021, I issued a local Declaration of Emergency in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976 and Flint City Charter §14-5, to address gun violence. This Order declared a State of Emergency to exist in the City of Flint because of gun violence. Gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flint has been disproportionately affected by the direct and indirect consequences of gun violence; and homicides numbers are up 30.43% compared to this time in 2020; and to date there have been 39 homicides perpetrated and an 80% increase in non-fatal shootings in comparison to 2020; and

WHEREAS, Consistent with the Flint City Charter Declaration of Rights, “The people of Flint have mandated that the City shall provide for public peace and health and for the safety of persons and property in the City; and they require that City officers promote respect for these rights and freedoms;” and

WHEREAS, to address public safety issues forthwith at the City of Flint to protect the public health and safety of City of Flint public servants and residents, it is necessary to establish partnerships with grass roots and community outreach programs to combat gun violence.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELDON A. NEELEY, Mayor of the City of Flint with the authority vested in the Mayor of the City of Flint by law, I issue the following Executive Order for the City to establish partnerships with grass roots and community outreach programs to combat gun violence in the City of Flint.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

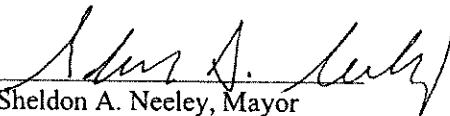
1. I issue Order 21-002 as reasonably and necessary to establish partnerships with grass roots and community outreach programs to combat gun violence.
2. Mini stations be activated and created throughout the City.
3. Community crime watch grants be established and available to neighborhood organizations to assist in reducing gun violence.
4. “One-stop shopping” services be provided in a single facility for families to access their needs.

5. Funding be used to implement Executive Order 21-002 in accordance with MCL 30.410(1)(c).

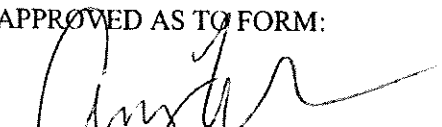
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Effective Date: July 23, 2021


Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer



EXECUTIVE ORDER #21-003

CITY OF FLINT EXECUTIVE ORDER ON GUN VIOLENCE- ESTABLISH PARTNERSHIPS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY TO CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR POSITIVE ENGAGEMENT FOR YOUTH

Sheldon A. Neeley
Mayor

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2021, I issued a local Declaration of Emergency in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976 and Flint City Charter §14-5, to address gun violence. This Order declared a State of Emergency to exist in the City of Flint because of gun violence. Gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flint has been disproportionately affected by the direct and indirect consequences of gun violence; and homicides numbers are up 30.43% compared to this time in 2020; and to date there have been 39 homicides perpetrated and an 80% increase in non-fatal shootings in comparison to 2020; and

WHEREAS, Consistent with the Flint City Charter Declaration of Rights, “The people of Flint have mandated that the City shall provide for public peace and health and for the safety of persons and property in the City; and they require that City officers promote respect for these rights and freedoms;” and

WHEREAS, to address safety issues forthwith, to protect the public health and safety of City of Flint residents, it is necessary to establish partnerships throughout the community to create opportunities for positive engagement for youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELDON A. NEELEY, Mayor of the City of Flint with the authority vested in the Mayor of the City of Flint by law, I issue the following Executive Order to the City to establish partnerships throughout the community to create opportunities for positive engagement for youth.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

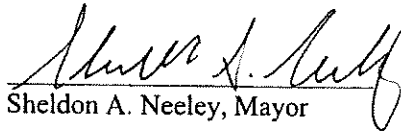
1. I issue Order 21-003 as reasonably and necessary to establish partnerships throughout the community to create opportunities for positive engagement for youth.
2. Skill-building and job opportunities be created for youth.
3. Positive, year-round programs be created for the youth.

4. Improvements and modifications be made to playgrounds.
5. Safety operators be assigned to the playgrounds.
6. Funding be used to implement Executive Order 21-003 in accordance with MCL 30.410(1)(c).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the City Clerk and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

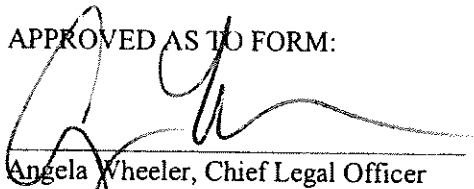
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Effective Date: July 23, 2021



Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer



EXECUTIVE ORDER #21-004

CITY OF FLINT EXECUTIVE ORDER ON GUN VIOLENCE-PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO CERTIFIED OFFICERS IN GOOD STANDING FOR GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Sheldon A. Neeley
Mayor

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2021, I issued a local Declaration of Emergency in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976 and Flint City Charter §14-5, to address gun violence. This Order declared a State of Emergency to exist in the City of Flint because of gun violence. Gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flint has been disproportionately affected by the direct and indirect consequences of gun violence; and homicides numbers are up 30.43% compared to this time in 2020; and to date there have been 39 homicides perpetrated and an 80% increase in non-fatal shootings in comparison to 2020; and

WHEREAS, Consistent with the Flint City Charter Declaration of Rights, “The people of Flint have mandated that the City shall provide for public peace and health and for the safety of persons and property in the City; and they require that City officers promote respect for these rights and freedoms;” and

WHEREAS, to address safety issues forthwith, to protect the public health and safety of City of Flint residents, it is necessary for financial incentives to be provided to increase and maintain the number of certified law enforcement officers in good standing for gun violence prevention.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELDON A. NEELEY, Mayor of the City of Flint with the authority vested in the Mayor of the City of Flint by law, I issue the following Executive Order providing financial incentives to increase and maintain certified law enforcement officers in good standing for gun violence prevention.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

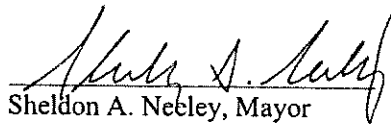
1. I issue Order 21-004 as reasonably and necessary provide financial incentives to increase and maintain certified law enforcement officers in good standing for gun violence prevention.
2. Human Resources create additional police officer positions as needed.
3. Electronic surveillance equipment be obtained to enhance officer safety and increase transparency.

4. Law enforcement officers work to get illegal guns off the streets and keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people, including but not limited to a focus on narcotic and firearm interdiction.
5. Confiscated weapons be destroyed in accordance with federal and state laws.
6. The Flint Police Department expand its investigations into recent homicides interconnected to cold cases.
7. Funding be used to implement Executive Order 21-004 in accordance with MCL 30.410(1)(c).

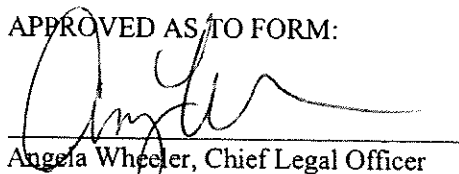
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Effective Date: July 23, 2021


Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer



EXECUTIVE ORDER #21-005

CITY OF FLINT EXECUTIVE ORDER ON GUN VIOLENCE-HIRE DEDICATED ATTORNEYS AND VICTIM ADVOCATES TO PARTNER WITH FLINT POLICE DEPARTMENT ON GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Sheldon A. Neeley
Mayor

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2021, I issued a local Declaration of Emergency in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976 and Flint City Charter §14-5, to address gun violence. This Order declared a State of Emergency to exist in the City of Flint because of gun violence. Gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flint has been disproportionately affected by the direct and indirect consequences of gun violence; and homicides numbers are up 30.43% compared to this time in 2020; and to date there have been 39 homicides perpetrated and an 80% increase in non-fatal shootings in comparison to 2020; and

WHEREAS, Consistent with the Flint City Charter Declaration of Rights, “The people of Flint have mandated that the City shall provide for public peace and health and for the safety of persons and property in the City; and they require that City officers promote respect for these rights and freedoms;” and

WHEREAS, to address safety issues forthwith, to protect the public health and safety of City of Flint residents, it is necessary to hire dedicated attorneys and victim advocates to partner with the Flint Police Department on gun violence prevention.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELDON A. NEELEY, Mayor of the City of Flint with the authority vested in the Mayor of the City of Flint by law, I issue the following Executive Order to hire dedicated attorneys and victim advocates to partner with the Flint Police Department on gun violence prevention.

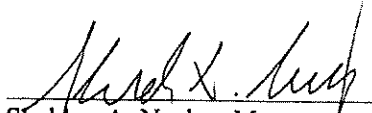
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. I issue Order 21-005 as reasonably and necessary hire dedicated attorneys and victim advocates to partner with Flint Police Department on gun violence prevention.
2. Additional attorney and victim advocacy positions be created.
3. Funding be used to implement Executive Order 21-005 in accordance with MCL 30.410(1)(c).


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the City Clerk and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

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Effective Date: July 23, 2021


Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer

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EXECUTIVE ORDER #21-006

CITY OF FLINT EXECUTIVE ORDER ON GUN VIOLENCE-CREATION OF CRIME SUPPRESSION GRANTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

Sheldon A. Neeley
Mayor

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2021, I issued a local Declaration of Emergency in accordance with the Michigan Emergency Management Act 390 of 1976 and Flint City Charter §14-5, to address gun violence. This Order declared a State of Emergency to exist in the City of Flint because of gun violence. Gun violence poses a serious threat to the health and quality of life of all residents of the City of Flint; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flint has been disproportionately affected by the direct and indirect consequences of gun violence; and homicides numbers are up 30.43% compared to this time in 2020; and to date there have been 39 homicides perpetrated and an 80% increase in non-fatal shootings in comparison to 2020; and

WHEREAS, Consistent with the Flint City Charter Declaration of Rights, “The people of Flint have mandated that the City shall provide for public peace and health and for the safety of persons and property in the City; and they require that City officers promote respect for these rights and freedoms;” and

WHEREAS, to address safety issues forthwith, to protect the public health and safety of City of Flint residents, it is necessary to create crime suppression grants for small businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELDON A. NEELEY, Mayor of the City of Flint with the authority vested in the Mayor of the City of Flint by law, I issue the following Executive Order to create crime suppression grants for small businesses.

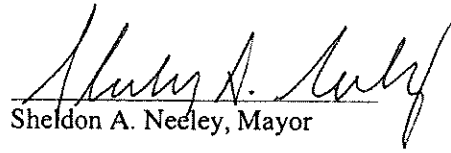
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. I issue Order 21-006 as reasonably and necessary to create crime suppression grants for small businesses.
2. Funding be used to implement Executive Order 21-006 in accordance with MCL 30.410(1)(c).

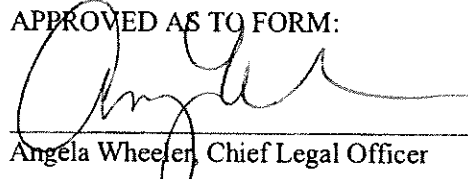
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Effective Date: July ¹³, 2021


Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer

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