

Crime Prevention and Control Commission

Governing Ordinance Revision

Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness Committee

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Background

- Formed by ordinance in 2005
- Began with an appropriation of \$1.2M
 - Expanded to \$3.5M in 2009
 - Moved away from fixed appropriation in 2017
 - Funding recommendations are made through home agency

GOALS

- Decrease the jail population
- Reduce recidivism for those released from jail
- Address behavioral health needs before, during and after involvement in the justice system
- Foster innovation and alternatives in the criminal justice system

Crime Prevention and Control Commission (CPCC) Ordinance Revision Request

What:

Amends Chapter 2 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code to update procedures and transfer governance of the Crime Prevention and Control Commission from the Department of Public Health & Environment to the Department of Safety.

Why:

To better support public safety and ensure the best possible outcomes for the communities served by the commission. Better alignment with CPCC funded initiatives.

CPCC Subcommittee

In 2021, the CPCC Ordinance Review Subcommittee was formed to review the ordinance to establish clarity and offer recommendations for consideration by the full commission. Those recommendations include:

Funding recommendations through the home agency

Deletion of Mandated Leadership Elected by Members

Home Department and Input: Staffing

Procedures, Bylaws, and Guidelines: powers, duties, and annual report

CPCO Ordinance Revisions

Sec. 2-255.48 – Legislative Intent

Old (struck in 2017):

~~To recommend expenditures from the crime prevention and control fund for which an appropriation of \$1.2 million is intended to be made in fiscal year 2006, increasing to at least \$3.5 million per annum by fiscal year 2009.~~

Replace with:

To request annual appropriations as determined by a vote of the Commissioners.

Fixed Appropriation Funding
Ended in 2017

CPCC Ordinance Revisions

Sec. 2-255.53 – Officers

Current:

The crime prevention and control commission shall elect from its membership, a chairperson and such other officers as it may designate who shall serve for such term or terms as the commission shall specify and who may serve successive terms upon reelection by the commission. The chair shall serve a one (1) year term with a limit of two (2) successive terms.

Replace with:

The commission shall establish officers in accordance with its bylaws.

Deletion of Mandated Leadership
Elected by Members

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Home Department and Input:
Staffing

Sec. 2-255.57 – Staffing and Administrative Support

Current:

Staffing and other administrative support for the crime prevention and control commission shall be provided by the Department of Public Health & Environment.

Replace with:

Staffing and other administrative support for the commission shall be provided by the Department of Safety and hiring decisions shall be made with input from the commission's officers.

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Procedures, Bylaws and
Guidelines

Sec. 2-255.565 – Procedures

Current:

The commission **is authorized** to will establish and adopt bylaws and internal guidelines governing its operations, **including duties and responsibilities of the commission's leadership**, and to will promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to achieve the purposes of this division.

Replace with:

The commission will establish and adopt bylaws and internal guidelines governing its operations, including duties and responsibilities of the commission's **officers**, and **will** promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to achieve the purposes of this division.

Ordinance Revision Process and Support

- Developed and reviewed by CPCC subcommittee
- Approved by full CPCC

- Reviewed and approved by Executive Directors of DDPHE and Department of Safety
- Budget Management Office provided guidance for funding requests

- City Attorney's Office (CAO) provided legal guidance regarding appropriation of funds
- Modified language complies with City Charter

Questions?

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