



## NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Co-Chair: Brandon Toole, First District  
Co-Chair: Kevin Caneco, Twelfth District

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May 13, 2025  
3:00 PM

**VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING\*\* &  
LOUIS L. REDDING CITY/COUNTY BUILDING  
1ST FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
800 N. FRENCH STREET, WILMINGTON, DE 19801**

### MINUTES

#### **A. Meeting Call to Order**

The Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 03:00 PM by Mr. Caneco.

Members present: Kevin Caneco, David Carter, John Cartier, Dee Durham, Valerie George (virtual), Penrose Hollins, Janet Kilpatrick, Timothy Sheldon, George Smiley, Jea Street (virtual), David Tackett, Brandon Toole, Monique Williams-Johns

Members absent: none

#### **B. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Ms. Kilpatrick, to approve the minutes from April 8, 2025 Public Safety Committee meeting. The minutes were approved by voice vote at 3:00 PM.

#### **C. Review/Discussion of Resolution(s)**

none

#### **D. Review/Discussion of Ordinance(s)**

°25-062: AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 6 ("BUILDING CODE"),  
ARTICLE 5 ("RESIDENTIAL CODE") RELATING TO AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS  
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Caneco, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Carter

Co-sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

Committee Chair, Mr. Caneco explained the bill prior to discussion among members.

Discussion among Council Members, Mr. Hollins, Ms. George, Mr. Street, and Ms. Kilpatrick.

Public Comment made in Chamber by Dennis Godek, FAAB.

#### **E. Presentations**

- Director Setting's announcement of bimonthly "Public Safety One" meetings.

Discussion among Council Members, Mr. Hollins, Mr. Cartier, Mr. Tackett, Mr. Street, and Mr. Toole.

#### **F. Other**

NCCPD Chief of Police Jaime Leonard addressed mandatory retirements, new police cadets and pre-hiring updates.

Mr. Street addressed previously receiving direct notifications from Public Safety to Council Members, prior to press distribution to Director Settings.

**G. Public Comment**

none

**H. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Cartier, to adjourn the **Public Safety Committee Meeting**. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 03:33 PM.