

Memorandum

To: Members of the Reimagining Public Safety Committee

From: Breaking Down Data Working Group

Subject: Potential Policy Changes

Date: October 26, 2021

The working group is recommending that the Committee move forward with the following policy changes:

- I. End traffic stops whose primary purpose is neither a moving violation nor a specific investigation
 - A. Equipment violations
 - B. License and registration violations
- II. Prohibit or limit consent searches (these suggestions are not compatible with one another so the Committee should select either item A or some or all of the suggestions in items B and C)
 - A. Only allow searches by warrant
 - B. Consent for searches must be given in writing
 - C. Raise the threshold for suspicion to conduct a search
 - 1. Limit investigatory stops to those made because the person and/or vehicle fits a description related to a specific crime
 - Use race and ethnicity as factors only when it is relevant to the locality and timeframe of the crime and only in combination with other specific descriptive and physical characteristics (race and ethnicity alone are not sufficient)
- III. Update data practices
 - A. Require yearly public reporting from EPD that enumerates and connects:
 - Arrests, citations/warnings, searches, on-street encounters, by beat, race, shift
 - 2. Origin of the arrest (traffic stop, call, etc)
 - B. Require logging specific vehicle code violation when traffic stop occurs

The working group is requesting input from the Committee about the following policy changes which it intends to continue discussing:

- IV. Establish a civilian entity in City government that's responsible for traffic enforcement entity so that traffic stops are no longer conducted by police officers
- V. End traffic stops whose primary purpose is the enforcement of seat belt violations