



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmember Cohen

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: 1/26/2021

Approved:

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**SUBJECT: STATEMENT OF POLICY AND QUESTIONS FOR THE PROSPECTIVE
CHIEF OF POLICE**

RECOMMENDATION

1. Direct the City Manager to include the following questions, or questions addressing the same issues, to the set of questions asked of each candidate.
 - a. In October of 2020, SJPD launched a pilot program pairing officers with clinicians from the county behavioral health department to respond to mental health crises. How do you envision SJPD partnering with the county in the future, and how have you approached mental health and de-escalation training in your past experience?
 - b. How will you work to ensure transparency with the community, particularly in terms of disclosing use-of-force and disciplinary records in a timely manner? There has been concern in the past regarding SJPD's compliance with SB 1421, which compels police agencies to release previously protected personnel records involving deadly use of force, serious injury, or sexual assault through a prompt and transparent process.