

Legislation Text

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Response to Rise in Sexual Assaults in San José (Arenas, Carrasco, Davis, Esparza, Foley)

1) Agendize a series of public hearings on the rise in reports of sexual and relationship based violence in San José and the City Administration's work to respond to it, including:

(a) Making the June 20, 2019 Public Safety, Finance and Strategic Support Committee meeting also a Committee of the Whole meeting to allow all interested members of the City Council the opportunity to hear the Administration's review and response to the recommendations of the joint meeting between Public Safety, Finance and Strategic Support Committee and Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors' Children, Seniors and Families Committee, held on April 15, 2019.

b. Schedule a City Council Study Session in September 2019 to inform the whole City Council and Mayor of sexual assault patterns and statistics.

c. Plan an additional joint meeting with the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors' Children, Seniors and Families Committee to assist in continued coordination between the City and County agencies.

2) Request the Administration's response and strategy to the rise of sexual assaults be reported to Council as an info memo this summer, for early review before the Study Session. This report should include process improvements to address intersectional issues of domestic violence and human trafficking when possible, including strangulation evidence, collection and other key improvements that were brought forward at the joint meeting.

3) Formalize a Sexual Assault working group between the City Administration and the County Executive, as well as any other relevant agencies.