



## Summary

### Public Safety Committee

*Council Member Annette Scippio, Chair*  
*Council Member Regina Hall, Vice Chair*  
*Council Member Vivian V. Joiner*  
*Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen*

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Monday, June 8, 2026

2:00 PM

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#### CALL TO ORDER

Additional Attendees:

Mayor Joines

Mayor Pro Tempore Adams

Council Member Burke

Council Member Clark

Chair Scippio called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and asked the City Clerk to call the roll

**Present:** 3 - Council Member Annette Scippio, Council Member Vivian V. Joiner, and Council Member Scott Andree-Bowen

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Regina Hall

#### C CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

**A motion to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda was made by Council Member Joiner, seconded by Council Member Andree-Bowen. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 3 - Council Member Scippio, Council Member Joiner, and Council Member Andree-Bowen

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Hall

**C-1.** Approval of Public Safety Committee Summary of Minutes

#### G GENERAL AGENDA

**G-1. Information on Marijuana Custodial Arrests and Citations**

The City Attorney, Camille French provided a brief overview of questions and concerns that have been raised regarding the decriminalization of marijuana. The discussion acknowledged that while there has been ongoing public interest and legislative discussion surrounding the issue, marijuana remains illegal under North Carolina law.

The City Attorney emphasized that the Winston-Salem Police Department will continue to enforce the law in accordance with the statutes enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Department's policies and enforcement practices remain guided by applicable state laws and legal standards, and any changes to enforcement would be dependent upon action taken by the General Assembly.

Assistant Chief Swaim provided information regarding marijuana enforcement, including data on custodial arrests versus citations issued for marijuana-related offenses.

**G-2. Consideration of a Youth Protection Safety Ordinance**

Lieutenant Joel Morissett provided information regarding a Youth Protection Ordinance, including the purpose, parameters, scope and research from Charlotte-Mecklenburg's Ordinance.

**A motion was made by Council Member Joiner, seconded by Council Member Scippio. Committee Recommends Approval. Forwarded to the City Council on 06/15/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 2 - Council Member Scippio, and Council Member Joiner

**Nay:** 1 - Council Member Andree-Bowen

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Hall

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further information to come before the Public Safety Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.