

# MUNICIPAL SERVICES, FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE Council Chambers B, Keene City Hall August 24, 2022 6:00 PM

### A. AGENDA ITEMS

- Councilor Philip Jones Resolution in Support of a "Protect Our Police Bill"
- 2. Councilor Mitch Greenwald Designating City Parks Drug-Free and Smoke-Free Zones

## B. MORE TIME ITEMS

- Attorney Michael Bentley Agatha Fifield Requesting the City Resume Maintenance of Blain(e) Street – Private Way
- 2. Request that Railroad Square be Designated a Smoke Free Zone

NON PUBLIC SESSION

**ADJOURNMENT** 

July 19, 2022

FROM: Councilor Philip M. Jones

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

SUBJECT: Resolution in support of a "Protect Our Police Bill"

#### Recommendation:

Recommend that the Keene City Council authorize staff to draft a resolution in support of a "Protect Our Police Bill". The resolution would be sent to all state elected officials requesting that legislation be enacted and supported which would outlaw the owning, storing, buying, selling, distributing, manufacturing, or custom making of any gun loading ammunition designed to penetrate bulletproof armor.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Title XII – Public Safety and Welfare Chapter 159-18 states a person is guilty of a class B felony if he uses or attempts to use any Teflon-coated or armor-piercing bullet or cartridge or any bullet or cartridge which contains any explosive substance in the projectile and is designed to explode upon impact, in the course of committing any misdemeanor or felony.

Our local law enforcement personnel should be assured that they are protected by wearing flak jackets and body armor. They should also know that protective partitions, shields, and armored vehicles will actually serve the designed purpose they are intended for.

I see no reason why these items should be available for public use. As a community and as a society we should be doing all we can to protect our law enforcement officials and first responders.



# Mitchell Greenwald Chairman, Municipal Services, Facilities & Infrastructure Committee Ward 2, City Councilor

August 16, 2022

To: Mayor and Council

Re: Drug Free Zone Designation

Former Councilor Chuck Redfern and I had a conversation recently concerning the idea of designating the new Pat Russell Park a "Drug Free Zone", which I want to share with the Council, and consider implementing.

I also want to obtain information regarding making it a "Smoke Free Zone".

If it makes sense for the new park, we should do so at all City parks,

Keene and its citizens have invested significant funds to keep our youth engaged in healthy and active lifestyles.

As a city council, it is our responsibility to keep our youth and neighborhoods as safe as possible. Our call for action will not only help protect the citizenry, but also serve noticed for those who peddle illegal drugs that it is not in their best interest to loiter where our youth congregate for healthy recreation, and enjoyment.

Please refer my communication to the appropriate committee for discussion.

Thank you,

Mitchell Greenwald