

# City of San Marcos

630 East Hopkins San Marcos, TX 78666

# **Legislation Text**

<b>File #</b> : ID#19-630, <b>Version:</b> 2		

## **AGENDA CAPTION:**

Hold discussion and receive a report from the Criminal Justice Reform Committee, including a draft Ordinance supporting a Cite and Release Program, and provide direction to the City Manager.

Meeting date: October 15, 2019

**Department:** City Manager

## **Amount & Source of Funding**

Funds Required: N/A Account Number: N/A Funds Available: N/A Account Name: N/A

**Fiscal Note:** 

**Prior Council Action: None** 

<u>City Council Strategic Initiative:</u> [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

N/A

Choose an item.

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<u>Comprehensive Plan Element (s)</u>: [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.
☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
☐ Land Use - Choose an item.
☐ <b>Neighborhoods &amp; Housing -</b> Choose an item.
☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
☐ <b>Transportation -</b> Choose an item.
⋈ Not Applicable

<u>Master Plan</u>: [Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]

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#### **Background Information**:

The San Marcos City Council empaneled a Criminal Justice Reform subcommittee to study local criminal justice reform efforts in parallel with the work being done at the county level. The committee consists of Council Member Mark Rockeymoore (chair), Council Member Lisa Prewitt, and Council Member Dr. Ed Mihalkanin. The committee began meeting monthly in July, 2019. The committee has been working on a draft ordinance that pertains to the use of Cite and Release by sworn law enforcement officers employed by the City. In their regular meeting held on October 3, 2019, the committee developed language for this draft ordinance and now will discuss the draft ordinance with the Council at large in hopes of providing direction to staff. A copy of the draft ordinance is attached to this item.

#### **Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:**

The Criminal Justice Reform committee has met multiple times with staff representatives and is prepared to discuss this item with the Council at large.

#### **Alternatives:**

The Council at large may choose to direct staff to finalize the draft ordinance, make changes to the recommended language of the ordinance, or provide direction that is not in favor of the ordinance.

## **Recommendation:**

Discuss the draft ordinance and provide direction to staff