# AGENDA MUNICIPAL POLICE TRAINING COUNCIL 260th Meeting December 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

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**NEW BUSINESS** 

2.

**By-Laws Proposed Amendment** 

Natasha Harvin-

**Chairman Spike** 

Locklear

# Minutes of the 259<sup>th</sup> Meeting New York State Municipal Police Training Council September 7, 2022

Alfred E. Smith Building 80 South Swan Street Albany, NY 12210 CrimeStat Room 118

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#### **Council Members Present**

Ronald Spike, Chairman, Sheriff, Yates County Sheriff's Office
R. Bruce McBride, Commissioner (Ret.), State University of New York Police
Timothy Parisi, Chief, Ilion Police Department, representing
New York State Association of Chiefs of Police\*\*remote
Edward Kennedy, Assistant Deputy Superintendent, New York State Police, representing
Superintendent Kevin Bruen
Dr. Errol Toulon, Jr., Sheriff, Suffolk County Sheriff's Office

Dr. Errol Toulon, Jr., Sheriff, Suffolk County Sheriff's Office Michael Cassidy, Deputy Chief, New York City Police Department

#### **DCJS Staff Present**

Rossana Rosado, Commissioner, Division of Criminal Justice Services
Joseph Popcun, Executive Deputy Commissioner, Division of Criminal Justice Services
Natasha Harvin-Locklear, Associate Counsel, Office of Legal Services
Colleen Glavin, Deputy Commissioner and Counsel, Office of Legal Services
Kara Grippen, Intergovernmental Affairs

## **OPS Staff Present**

Johanna Sullivan, Director, Office of Public Safety
Joshua Vinehout, Supervisor, Public Safety Programs
Molly Bates, Associate Training Technician (Police)
Michael Puckett, Associate Training Technician (Police)
Daniel Nedwell, Associate Training Technician (Police)
Kelly Conlon, Criminal Justice Program Specialist 1
Sara Dean, Criminal Justice Program Specialist 2
Betty Douglas, Administrative Specialist 1

#### **Guests**

Deputy Chief Jennifer Kelly, Metropolitan Transit Authority Police Department
Deputy Inspector Matthew Taffner, Metropolitan Transit Authority Police Department
John McIlwaine, Technical Sergeant, NYS Police Academy
John Duro, Lieutenant, NYS Police Academy
Tom Mitchell, NYS Sheriff's Association

## **ACTION/APPROVAL ITEMS**

## #1 – Introductions and Remarks - Adoption of Agenda – Approval of 258th Meeting Minutes

The 259<sup>th</sup> session of the Municipal Police Training Council (MPTC or Council) commenced at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioner McBride leading all attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence for all victims of crimes that have lost their life as well as honoring all law enforcement and military personnel that have lost their lives in the line of duty.

#### Introductions

Sheriff Spike welcomed Sheriff Toulon and congratulated Deputy Chief Cassidy on his new promotion. Introductions were made by all in attendance. Sheriff Spike noted that a quorum was present and acknowledge Council member Chief Parisi was participating by video conference. He also noted Council members Maureen Curtis and Chief Mueller were necessarily absent.

## Adoption of Agenda

He then entertained a motion to adopt the agenda noting action item #6 will be tabled.

**Commissioner McBride** made a motion to adopt the 259<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda to include the tabling of action item #6, with a second by **Assistant Deputy Superintendent Kennedy**; the motion was passed by unanimous vote. Chairman Spike proceeded with the adoption of the agenda.

## Approval of 258th Meeting Minutes

Sheriff Spike noted that all members had received the minutes from the 258<sup>th</sup> Meeting. **Deputy Chief Cassidy** made a motion to approve the 258<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as submitted with a second by **Sheriff Toulon**. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Before asking Commissioner Rosado to share her opening remarks, Sheriff Spike asked Council members to follow the written format in their handouts when making a motion so the motions can be recorded clearly.

#### Introductory Remarks

Commissioner Rosado thanked Chairman Spike and the Council for continuance in addressing pressing law enforcement issues. The Commissioner stated that the work of the Council spans from training of law enforcement officers, addressing juvenile justice laws, and implementing important lifesaving tools such as extreme risk protection orders and domestic violence lethality indicators. The Council's enhanced hiring standards, the future revised firearms curriculum, and new model policy guidance will ensure that communities receive the highest level of service from law enforcement. Since the last meeting in June, Commissioner Rosado informed the Council that the DCJS team traveled the state to meet with communities in addressing gun violence and the implementation of new gun laws. The Commissioner noted the work of the Governor's Illegal Gun Interstate Task Force which yielded dramatic increases in the seizure of illegal firearms. The Domestic Terrorism Task Force convened several times to address extremism issues where they intersect with hate and gun crimes. The Commissioner concluded by informing the Council additional updates will be shared of the administration's public safety work at future meetings.

Chairman Spike thanked the Commissioner for her comments and the work being done by DCJS staff to address new legislation and law enforcement issues.

## #2 - NYS Juvenile Law and Procedures - Part 3, Section D

Michael Puckett of the Office of Public Safety informed the Council that New York State passed legislation which raised the lower age of juvenile delinquency from 7 to 12 years of age, except for alleged homicide related offenses, (Chapter 810 of the Laws of 2021, as amended by Chapter 38 of the Laws of 2022). The new law requires that a differential response program for children 7 to less than 12 years old, who no longer fall under the definition of juvenile delinquent under section 301.2 of the Family Court Act (FCA), but whose behavior would otherwise bring them under the jurisdiction of Article 3 of the FCA, be established by each Local Department of Social Services (LDSS). In addition, the fingerprinting of a juvenile delinquent under the new definition has been increased to at least 12 years of age or older. These changes are effective December 29, 2022. Part 3, Section D of the Basic Course for Police Officers has been updated to reflect this new legislation.

Michael Puckett informed the Council that the section hours and learning objectives of NYS Juvenile Law and Procedures – Part 3, Section D remain the same. The update includes the revised definition of a juvenile delinquent and fingerprint eligible age, as well as the best practices response by law enforcement that involves the collaboration with LDSS for children under the age of twelve who are eligible for the LDSS differential response program.

DCJS staff provided further background to the Council members regarding the process for law enforcement to collaborate with their LDSS when making a referral and advised the Council the NYS Office of Children and Family Services is working with each LDSS to advise them of the new legislation.

#### Motion #1:

Approve the updates to the NYS Juvenile Law and Procedures – Part 3, Section D as the minimum standard of instruction in the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent, Specialized Investigator Course and Campus Public Safety Course, and require all instructors teaching this section to be at minimum a General Topics Instructor.

#### Motion #2:

All employers and academies conducting the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent, Specialized Investigator Course and Campus Public Safety Course, beginning on or after January 1, 2023, must utilize the newly approved NYS Juvenile Law and Procedures – Part 3, Section D.

**Commissioner McBride** made a motion to approve the updates to NYS Juvenile Law and Procedures, with a second by **Deputy Chief Cassidy**. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

## #3 – Basic Course for Police Officers Updates – NYS Ancillary Statutes

Michael Puckett presented to the Council an amendment to Ancillary NYS Statutes – Part 3, Section F to include a new learning objective that will require recruit police officers to receive instruction on Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPO). The learning objective is intended to

provide a new officer with a general understanding of what an ERPO is, when to file an application and what to expect after the petition is filed. Michael Puckett informed the Council a webinar was conducted two weeks prior to provide law enforcement with additional information on ERPOs. An ERPO model policy for agencies is also in development to be presented to the Council at the next meeting.

An additional 30 minutes has been added to this section increasing it from 2 hours to 2.5 hours to account for the new instructional material. This updated section is effective January 1, 2023, for all new academy classes beginning on or after this date; however, nothing precludes an academy session from teaching the new material prior to the start of the requirement date.

#### Motion #1

Approve the updates to Ancillary NYS Statutes – Part 3, Section F as the minimum standard of instruction in the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent, Specialized Investigator Course and Campus Public Safety Course, and require all instructors teaching this section to be at minimum a General Topics Instructor.

#### Motion #2:

All employers and academies conducting the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent, Specialized Investigator Course and Campus Public Safety Course, beginning on or after January 1, 2023, must utilize the newly approved curricula for Ancillary NYS Statutes – Part 3, Section F.

**Sheriff Toulon** made a motion to approve the amendment to the Basic Course for Police Officers, with a second by **Commissioner McBride**. The motion was passed by unanimous vote

## #4 - Basic Course for Police Officers Updates - Domestic Violence

Molly Bates of the Office of Public Safety (OPS) presented to the Council updates to the Basic Course for Police Officers Domestic Violence curriculum. The NYS Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team provided recommendations to the Office of Public Safety that would enhance the current Domestic Violence curriculum by training recruit officers to recognize and understand the significance of lethality indicators. In collaboration with the NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (OPDV), Office of Public Safety staff reviewed the current 16-hour Domestic Violence curriculum and incorporated new training objectives and content that expands training on lethality indicators. Molly Bates provided an overview of the current domestic violence curriculum and then proceeded with a detail summary of proposed amendments to the curriculum as follows:

Lesson 2- Tactics of Control and Related Criminal Charges

- Identify possible criminal charges for tactics of control, above and beyond violation level harassment in the 2nd degree, always keeping in mind the extreme dangerousness of the common lethality indicators identified by the New York State Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. (Amended objective)
- Define the term domestic violence lethality indicator and list common lethality indicators identified by the NYS Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team (New objective)
- Document common lethality indicators in all domestic violence reports and charging documents. (New objective)

#### Lesson 4- On Scene Response

 No change to objectives but incorporated content on recognizing lethality indicators in officer response and added identification questions within class exercise.

## Lesson 5-Evidence to Support DV Arrests

- Identify potential sources of evidence applicable to investigation of domestic incidents, always keeping in mind the common lethality indicators identified by the New York State Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. (Amended objective)
- List common lethality indicators identified by the New York State Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. (New objective)

## Lesson 6- Domestic Incident Report

• Identify which sections of the DIR represent lethality indicators. (New objective)

Molly Bates concluded by informing the Council the hours of instruction will remain at 16.

Johanna Sullivan of the Office of Public Safety provided the Council with further information regarding the purpose, composition, and confidentiality nature of the NYS Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team to identify areas where systems can be strengthened, including the training of police officers to recognize lethality indicators. Johanna Sullivan thanked the Team and OPDV for their input to amend the Domestic Violence Curriculum.

#### Motion #1:

Approve the updates to the Domestic Violence – Part 7, Section A as the minimum standard of instruction in the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent and Campus Public Safety Course and require all instructors teaching this section to have successfully completed the MPTC approved Domestic Violence Instructor course.

#### Motion #2:

All employers and academies conducting the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent and Campus Public Safety Course, beginning on or after January 1, 2023, must utilize the newly approved curriculum.

**Assistant Deputy Superintendent Kennedy** made a motion to approve the amendments to the Basic Course for Police Officers Domestic Violence curriculum, with a second by **Commissioner McBride**. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

## #5 - MTA Basic Course for Police Officer Conversion Course Exemption Request

Joshua Vinehout began by providing the following background information to the Council regarding MTA's request to be exempt from the 97-hour MPTC NYPD Basic Conversion Course. The Professional Policing Act of 2021 repealed Executive Law §840 (h) which previously gave the NYPD the ability to obtain a full exemption from the Basic Course for Police Officers (BCPO). Although the Council no longer has the authority to grant the NYPD full exemption from the BCPO, it has the authority to grant exemptions from portions of the course. As such, the Council approved exemptions to the NYPD from the following sections of the BCPO based on justification provided by the NYPD. These sections are as follows: Part 7, Section F - Basic Crash Management and Reporting; Part 4, Section R - Recognizing the Cannabis Impaired Motorist; Part 4, Section Q - DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety

Testing; Part 4, Section K – Emergency Medical Services; and Part 6, Section B – Behavioral Observation and Suspicious Activity Recognition.

As part of the motion in granting exemptions from these sections, the Council has required any sworn police officer that completes the Basic Course for Police Officers (NYPD) and transfers to, or is employed by an agency other than NYPD, to complete the 97-hour conversion course which consists of these exempt sections. This requirement has been in effect for any NYPD academy session beginning on or after October 16, 2021. Officers that complete the Basic Course for Police Officers (NYPD) or are employed by a police agency other than NYPD will need to complete the conversion course within one year of appointment.

After providing background information, Joshua Vinehout continued with an explanation of Public Authorities Law § 1266-h which requires Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) police officers to complete the BCPO in its entirety. MTA recruit officers attend the NYPD police academy. Since the exemptions that NYPD were given are specific to NYPD, all MTA recruit officers who attend the NYPD academy, beginning on or after October 16, 2021, do not satisfy the full training requirements of the BCPO.

The MTA Police Department is requesting an exemption from the 97-hour conversion course for the reasons cited in a letter sent to the Chairman of the Council. The exemption request submitted for the Council's review and consideration is being sought for all MTA police officers having attended and completed the NYPD academy, beginning on or after October 16, 2021, and for any future academies' sessions hosted by the NYPD and attended by MTA police officers.

Sheriff Spike expressed his appreciation to Chief Mueller for providing the Council with a letter summarizing their request and justification to be exempt from 97-hour conversion course. Upon request by the Council, Deputy Inspector Taffner provided a summary of their Patriot Training with respect to MTA's request to be exempt from Part 6, Section B – Behavioral Observation and Suspicious Activity Recognition. In addition, the Council inquired about the availability of traffic enforcement resources outside of New York City. Deputy Chief Kelly provided further information regarding the availability of MTA's Highway Patrol Unit to perform DWI enforcement in and around bridges and tunnels. In addition, MTA officers not assigned to Highway Patrol will work with local agencies if they encounter an impaired driver, although their primary function is to work within the confines of the train station and subways. Deputy Chief Kelly also provided further explanation to the Council on the reliance of local municipalities for the dispatching of emergency medical services and the equipping of their officers with naloxone.

#### **Motion One:**

The MTAPD must complete the Basic Course for Police Officers prescribed by the Council.

#### **Motion Two:**

While still meeting the minimum standards of training prescribed by the Council pursuant to Public Authorities Law §1266-h, exempt MTAPD from the requirements of the 97-hour *MPTC NYPD Basic Conversion Course* for all MTAPD recruit officers attending an NYPD Basic Course for Police Officers beginning on or after October 16, 2021.

#### **Motion Three:**

The exemption granted to the MTAPD from the 97-hour *MPTC NYPD Basic Conversion Course* will need to be reviewed if there are any future changes to MPTC requirements, NYPD course content related to this exemption, or change in essential job duties of an MTA police officer.

**Deputy Chief Cassidy** made a motion to approve the exemption, with a second by **Commissioner McBride**. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

## **INFORMATIONAL/UPDATE ITEMS**

## **#1- Professional Policing Regulations Update**

Natasha Harvin-Locklear of the Office of Legal Services informed the Council that the regulations have been finalized and are expected to be effective within the next couple of weeks the Council meeting. A frequently asked question document will also be made available to law enforcement agencies to assist agencies in implementation of the final regulations. Johanna Sullivan informed the Council that a memo will be sent to all departments advising them of the final regulations. Johanna Sullivan also provided a high-level overview of the Professional Policing Act for new Council members.

## #2 - Overview of Upcoming Changes to Recruit Firearm Training

In advance of the Office of Public Safety presenting the new Firearms Training curriculum to the Council at their December 2022, Michael Puckett explained the rationale for the need to develop an entirely new curriculum and the design process to do so. A detailed overview of how the human brain learns and retains knowledge and skills into long-term memory was presented. The new curriculum design would leverage researchers' understanding of neuroscience by applying learning methodologies to the curriculum design that maximizes the retention of skills taught. Through the use of priming, teaching, stabilizing, enhancing, and allowing for sleep to consolidate the appropriately delivered information to long-term memory, the new curriculum will enhance deadly physical force decision-making skills of recruit officers. Michael Puckett also summarized some of the new content to be included in the curriculum which includes topics such as visually aimed fire, integration of purposeful and conscious movement, expanded low-light conversation, integration of vehicle work and injured shooter instruction, and enhanced instructional support via drills, multimedia aids and detailed lesson plans.

The presentation concluded by answering several questions the Council raised which are summarized as follows. The roll-out of the new curriculum will be a multi-year project to train current and new firearm instructors to deliver the curriculum, including achieving buy-in from current firearm instructors. The new curriculum has been purposely designed to mitigate stress with firearms training, especially for recruits who may have never handled a gun. The proposed qualification was developed to assess core skill competency under time compression. There will be equipment expenses to implement the new curriculum such as dry fire magazines, shot timers, and additional ammunition. Although costs of additional equipment won't be extensive, the time to deliver the new curriculum for academies that are currently conducting one week of firearms training will be a much larger time investment. The Council also requested clarification if the new curriculum would apply to peace officers. In response, OPS staff advised it will and has factored that consideration into the rollout of the new curriculum to be presented at the December meeting.

## #3 - Project Updates: Future MPTC Action Items

Joshua Vinehout provided the Council a brief status update on current projects that will require the Council's review and consideration for adoption at future meetings. The Council was informed there are three model policies expected to be presented at the December meeting – two of which are statutorily required to be developed by the Council. They are Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect and Extreme Risk Protection Orders. The third is an update to the June 2016 Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Model Policy. The Council was also informed of an amendment to executive law requiring the development of a training program for juvenile officers on the new Differential Response Program. The Council was advised of another amendment to executive law requiring the development of an In-Person Death Notifications Model Policy and training regulations. And lastly, an update was provided on the status of the physical ability hiring standards with an anticipated start date of late fall.

Johanna Sullivan highlighted the upcoming Public Safety Symposium being hosted by DCJS and invited Council members to attend. Chief Parisi expressed his appreciation for the work being done on the new firearms curriculum.

#### **New Business**

There being no further business, the 259<sup>th</sup> session of the Municipal Police Training Council came to a close at 11:45 a.m. with a motion to adjourn by Commissioner McBride and a second by **Deputy Chief Cassidy**. The motion was unanimously approved.

**NEXT MEETING:** 

December 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

#### Action Item #3

## **Unmanned Aircraft Systems Model Policy Update**

The Office of Public Safety (OPS) staff, in collaboration with key stakeholders representing the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New York City Police Department, New York State Police, New York State Sheriff's Association, New York State University Police, and NYS Chiefs of Police Association, conducted a thorough review of the previously adopted June 2016 Municipal Police Training Council's Unmanned Aerial Vehicle model policy.

Upon conclusion of the review, it was determined updates were necessary due to significant FAA changes to pilot certification, technological advances, and terminology modifications. As a result, OPS staff will present to the Council a summary of proposed amendments to the existing model policy for the Council's review and adoption.

Among the updates, the most significant changes include: renaming the model policy to Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the addition of FAA's new Part 107 rules, numerous definitional updates, expansion of an agency's UAS program with respect to public relations and community transparency, operational procedures that include the use of several UAS vehicles, privacy considerations, line of sight, altitude, night flights, operation from a moving vehicle, accident notification, and non-evidentiary DME retention.

#### Motion:

Adopt the amendments to the MPTC Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Model Policy and rename to MPTC Unmanned Aircraft System Model Policy.

#### Action Item #4

## **Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse or Neglect Model Policy**

Executive law § 840 (1)(j)(1) requires the Council to develop written policies and procedures for the mandatory reporting of child abuse or neglect. As the staff arm to the Council, the Office of Public Safety (OPS), in collaboration with key stakeholders representing the New York State Police, New York City Police Department, NYS Association of Chiefs of Police, NYS Sheriff's Association, NYS Children's Alliance, and NYS Office of Children and Family Services, has developed a Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse or Neglect Model Policy for the Council's review and adoption.

OPS staff will present an overview of the model policy designed to provide guidance to law enforcement agencies regarding the mandatory reporting of child abuse or neglect, reporting procedures and obligations of persons required to report, provisions for taking a child into protective custody, mandatory reporting of deaths, immunity from liability, penalties for failure to report, and obligations for the provision of services and procedures necessary to safeguard the life or health of the child.

#### Motion:

Adopt the Mandatory Reporting of Child or Neglect Model Policy.

#### Action Item #5

## **Extreme Risk Protection Order Model Policy**

Executive law § 840 (3)(i) requires the Council to develop written policies and procedures and educational materials regarding the procedure for filing extreme risk protection orders (ERPO) under article sixty-three-A of the civil practice law and rules.

#### Written Policies and Procedures

As the staff arm to the Council, the Office of Public Safety (OPS), in collaboration with key stakeholders representing the New York State Police, New York City Police Department, NYS Association of Chiefs of Police, NYS Sheriff's Association, District Attorneys Association of the State of New York, NYS Office of Court Administration, NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence, and NYS Office of the Attorney General has developed an ERPO model policy for the Council's review and adoption.

The model policy is designed to provide guidance to law enforcement in using this civil process to prevent firearm access by those at risk of harming themselves or others and for the quick and safe removal of firearms, rifles, or shotguns in those individuals' possession. It addresses the key areas of this process by providing guidance and best practices on factors to consider when determining to file the application, the process to file an application, service of an ERPO, the storage, release and disposition of prohibited items, preparing for a hearing, the ERPO renewal process, and agency training considerations.

#### **Educational Materials**

As noted in the Council's September 2022 meeting, the Basic Course for Police Officers has been updated to include training on ERPOs. In addition, OPS has also made available to all law enforcement a recorded webinar that provides law enforcement with an informational overview of ERPOs.

#### **Motion:**

Adopt the Extreme Risk Protection Order Model Policy.

#### Action Item #6

## **Recruit Firearms Training Curriculum**

The Office of Public Safety will present to the Council for their review and approval an update to Firearms - Part 4, Section M of the Basic Course for Police Officers. The revised section has been completely redesigned around a neural model of skills acquisition with a focus on skill retention. Special attention was paid to operational safety and decision-making in the development of tactics and drills. This redesigned curriculum represents a significant change in the way that these skills are taught and is proposed to be 80-hours in length.

For this agenda item, Office of Public Safety Staff will provide an overview and implementation plan for the Council's review and approval of the new 80-hour Firearms curriculum.

**Motion 1:** Approve Use of Firearms – Part 4, Section M as the minimum standard of instruction in the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent and the Specialized Investigator Course. All employers and academies conducting a Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent beginning on or after September 1, 2024 must utilize the newly approved curriculum.

**Motion 2:** All instructors delivering the Basic Course for Police Officers must complete the DCJS 5-day Firearms Instructor Workshop training in addition to possessing a valid MPTC Firearms Instructor certification to receive DCJS course approval after the implementation date requirement.

**Motion 3:** Require Reality Based Training – Part 8, Section A to be conducted after the delivery of Firearms training for the Basic Course for Police Officers or equivalent and the Specialized Investigator Course for all courses beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

#### Action Item #7

## NYPD School Safety Officer Course Exemption Reconsideration

In 2012, the MPTC granted an exemption from the Basic Course for Peace Officers for NYPD's school safety agents. At the time of the request, Executive Law §840(h) permitted the MPTC to exempt a city having a population of one million or more from the statutory training requirements for peace officers when the MPTC deems the course of training prescribed by such city is higher than what the MPTC prescribes.

The Professional Policing Act of 2021 repealed Executive Law §840(h), which previously gave the NYPD the ability to obtain a full exemption from the Basic Course for Peace Officers when training school safety agents. As such, all new NYPD school safety agents must now successfully complete the MPTC Basic Course for Peace Officers. Pursuant to Criminal Procedure Law §2.30(1), any NYPD specific training for school safety agents is to be conducted in addition to the minimum training standards for peace officers established by the Council.

NYPD has requested for the removal of the exemption to take effect beginning on January 1, 2023.

#### Motion:

Remove the exemption from the Basic Course for Peace Officers and require NYPD, beginning January 1, 2023, to use the Basic Course for Peace Officers to train new school safety agents.

All curriculum submitted for approval must contain the minimum topics and hours for these courses. Any employer specific training for school safety agents will be conducted in addition to the training curriculum minimum standards for peace officers established by the Council.

## Informational Item #1

# **Juvenile Law and Procedures Online Training**

OPS staff will update the Council on the development of an online training that meets the statutory requirements of Executive Law § 840 (1)(j)(i) to establish a training program pertaining to the laws of juveniles which specifically includes training, as required by statute, on the handling of children under twelve years of age who no longer fall under the definition of a juvenile delinquent.

## Informational Item #2

# **By-Laws Proposed Amendment**

Office of Legal Services will propose an amendment to the MPTC By-Laws for consideration by the Council and future vote at a subsequent meeting.