

Introduced by: Councilmember Searcy

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**RESOLUTION 2021-4  
APPOINTMENTS TO THE TASK FORCE ON REIMAGINING PUBLIC SAFETY**

WHEREAS, the City Council established a Task Force on Reimagining Public Safety to Ensure Racial Justice by Resolution 2020-21 on September 23, 2020 to advise and provide recommendations on ways the City can reform public safety policies and procedures to ensure racial justice; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force is to be composed of up to 15 members appointed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force may include up to three ex-officio members from City staff whose role is to collaborate with the Task Force as needed through a process driven by the Task Force members, but may not vote on Task Force recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the City put out a call for applications to serve on the Task Force with a deadline of February 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, applications have been reviewed by a team of City staff members, City Council members, and the contracted facilitators; and

WHEREAS, appointees have been recommended to the City Council by the review team; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed the recommendations, the City Council has selected appointees to serve on the Task Force.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Task Force as regular voting members:

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| 1. Ajmel Quereshi     | 2. Lauren Van Tol               |
| 3. Christina Morado   | 4. Emil Parker                  |
| 5. Olajide Atoyebi    | 6. Sawa Kamara                  |
| 7. Duane Scott        | 8. Jumana Musa                  |
| 9. Xitlalli Velasquez | 10. Kiminori Nakamura           |
| 11. Leon Crowell      | 12. Sadie Arlene Cheston Harris |

13. Cedric Boatman

14. Michael Rubin

15. Adam Braskich

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Task Force will include no more than three ex-officio members from City staff to collaborate with the Task Force as needed through a process driven by the Task Force; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Task Force shall decide how to organize itself, including developing subgroups to address Task Force goals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Task Force may request and collect external information to aid in its decision-making including community outreach; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Task Force must submit to the City Council interim reports as well as a final report with recommendations by June 4, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Task Force may be dissolved after the Task Force's final recommendations have been presented to the Council by June 30, 2021, however, the Council may choose to extend the Task Force until a later date.

Adopted this 24th day of February, 2021.

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk