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Re: March 28, 2018 BHUAC Votes and Recommendations

The BHUAC met March 28, 2018 and reviewed the following agenda:

March 2018 Meeting Agenda

- Intros and Updates
- Discussion and Vote: February Minutes and Report
- Expansion to the ECIT Dispatch Protocol
- BHU's De-Escalation/Livability Presentation for Businesses
- Discussion and Vote: Annual Report for 2017 (tabled for April 2018 meeting)

March 2018 Committee Votes and Recommendations

The BHUAC approves amending the Mental Health and ECIT Dispatch Protocol to include "The subject's behavior is escalating the risk of harm to self or others" as a priority for dispatching ECIT officers.

The BHUAC recommends the COCL, working with behavioral health and advocacy organizations, interview community members who have had direct interactions with ECIT officers since the implementation of the Mental Health and ECIT dispatch protocol, prior to the COCL next report.

The BHUAC recommends the Portland Police Bureau develops a strategic plan in conjunction with feedback from ECIT officers and the community that:

- 1) improves ECIT officer recruitment and retention
- 2) increases ECIT officer availability and
- 3) promotes community engagement

For example, one option to explore would be having ECIT officers available precinct wide and not assigned to a particular district.