

# Athens-Clarke County Safety and Justice Committee Meeting

May 6, 2021 – 5:30 pm – via WebEx

Welcome and Review of Charge

Mayor Kelly Girtz

Introductions and Perspectives

Group

Future meeting times and next steps

Blaine Williams, ACCGov Manager

## Mayor's Charge for the Safety and Justice Committee:

***Design Data-Driven, High-Yield Crime Prevention Efforts that can be sustained in Athens-Clarke County.*** This should include focused efforts regarding housing, education, youth development, employment, hunger prevention, neighborhood enrichment, healthcare, behavioral health supports and related tactics that are demonstrated to reduce crime. This work includes both immediate opportunities and long-term commitment on the part of Athens-Clarke County.

***Bolster Criminal Justice System Responses that are equitable and supportive of civil rights, human dignity, and recidivism reduction.*** This should work to eliminate disparities in system treatment and outcomes by race and ethnicity, should be supportive of individual and community health, create a continuum of crime and crisis responses that are the most appropriate solutions to situations – including a range of professional roles beyond traditional armed responses, design ideal training and skill development for public safety officers, and enhance graceful returns to the Athens community from those that have served under incarceration or supervision that create new opportunity for those individuals.