



City of Hamilton
GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
AGENDA

Meeting #: 23-001(i)
Date: February 27, 2023
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Angela McRae, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 5987

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From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

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To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Webform submission from: Request to Speak to a Committee of Council

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Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Evan Ubene

Kilometres for Public Healthcare

Preferred Pronoun

he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request

Throughout the pandemic, Kilometres for Public Healthcare has been calling for an expansion of public healthcare services. With COVID continuing to infect many people, the 12 million dollar budget increase requested by the police department would be spent much more effectively if it was put towards social supports like public health.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

Yes



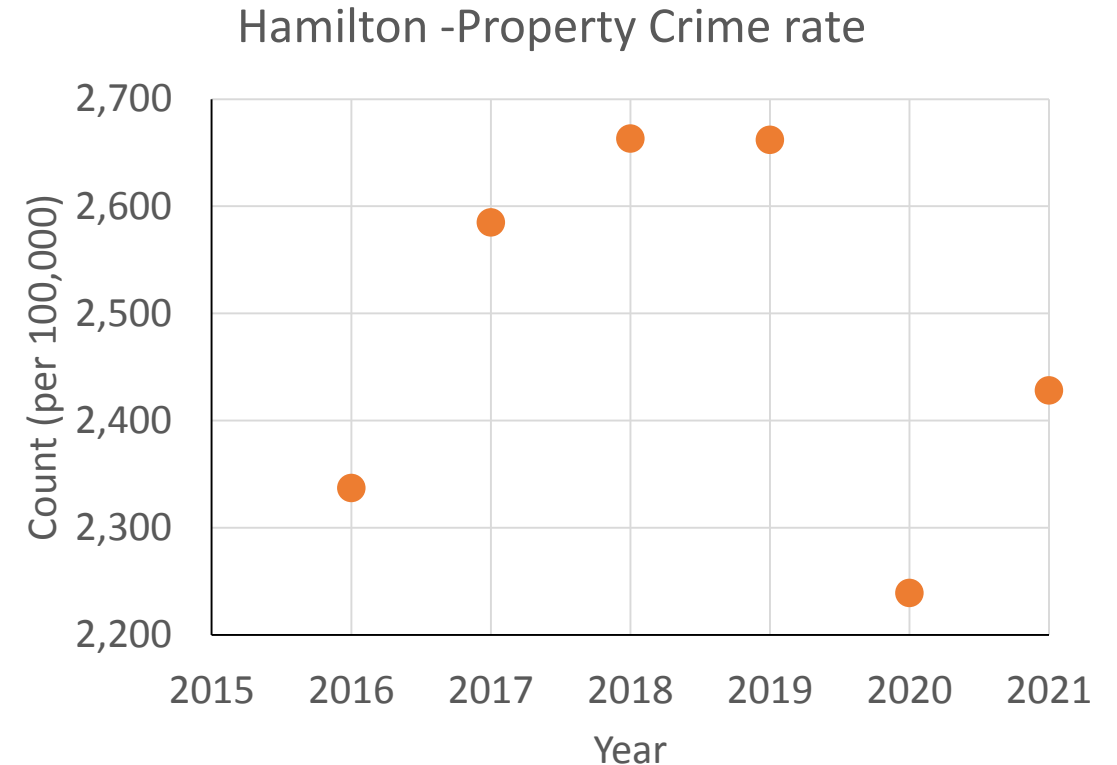
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Why Defund the Police During a Healthcare Crisis?

Feb 6, 2023

Hamilton Crime Stats –Property Crime

Year	Property Crime (per 100,000 population)	Population	Property Crime (total)
2016	2,428	768,982	18,671
2017	2,239	777,572	17,410
2018	2,662	785,214	20,902
2019	2,663	795,410	21,182
2020	2,585	806,522	20,849
2021	2,337	811,396	18,962

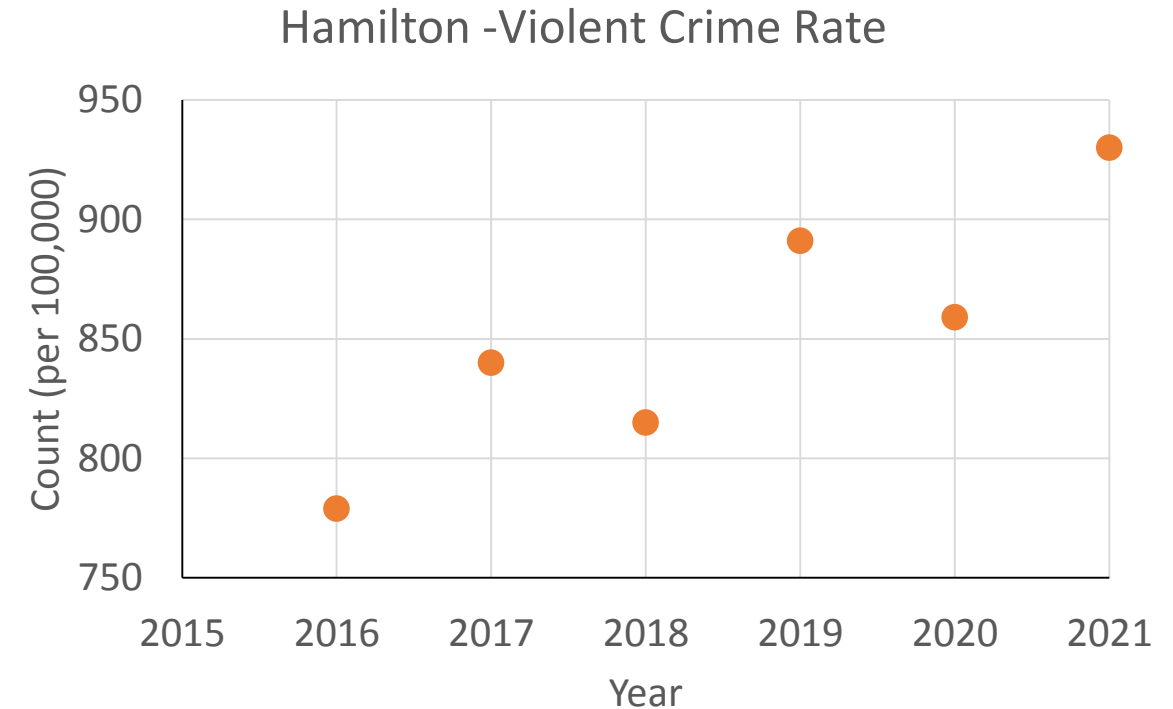


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Hamilton Crime Stats –Violent Crime

Year	Violent Crime (per 100,000 population)	Population	Violent Crime (total)
2016	779	768,982	5,990
2017	840	777,572	6,532
2018	815	785,214	6,399
2019	891	795,410	7,087
2020	859	806,522	6,928
2021	930	811,396	7,546

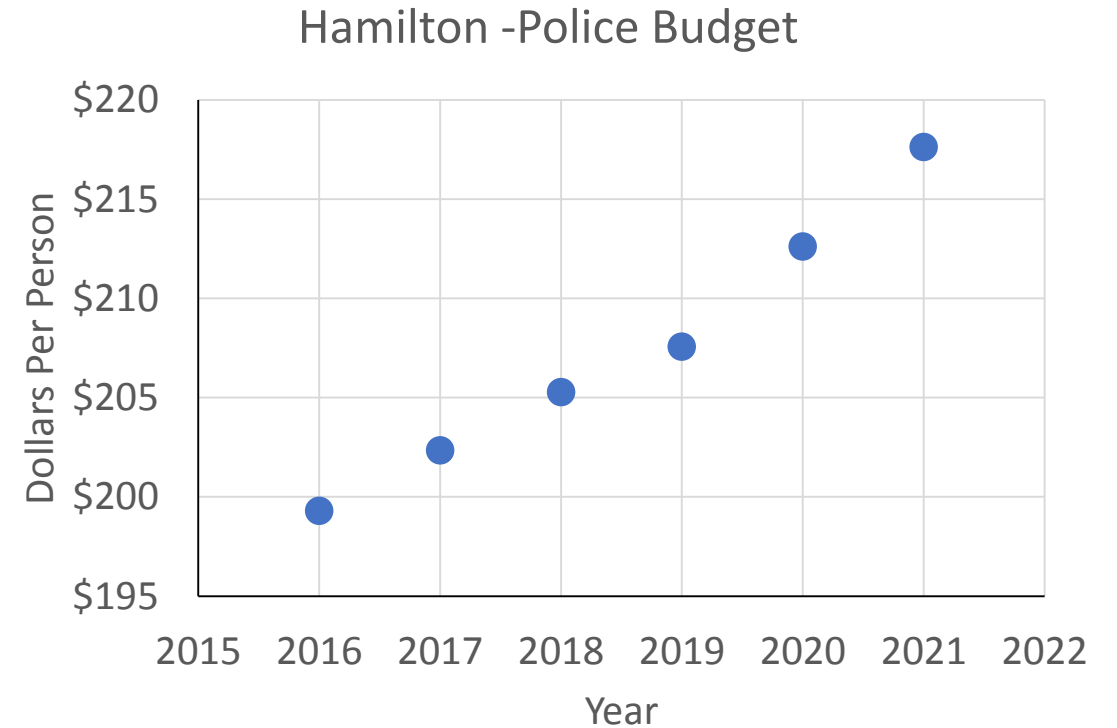


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Hamilton Crime Stats –Police Budget

Year	Budget (per person)	Population	Budget (total, millions)
2016	\$199.29	768,982	\$153.25
2017	\$202.34	777,572	\$157.33
2018	\$205.28	785,214	\$161.19
2019	\$207.56	795,410	\$165.10
2020	\$212.61	806,522	\$171.48
2021	\$217.63	811,396	\$176.59

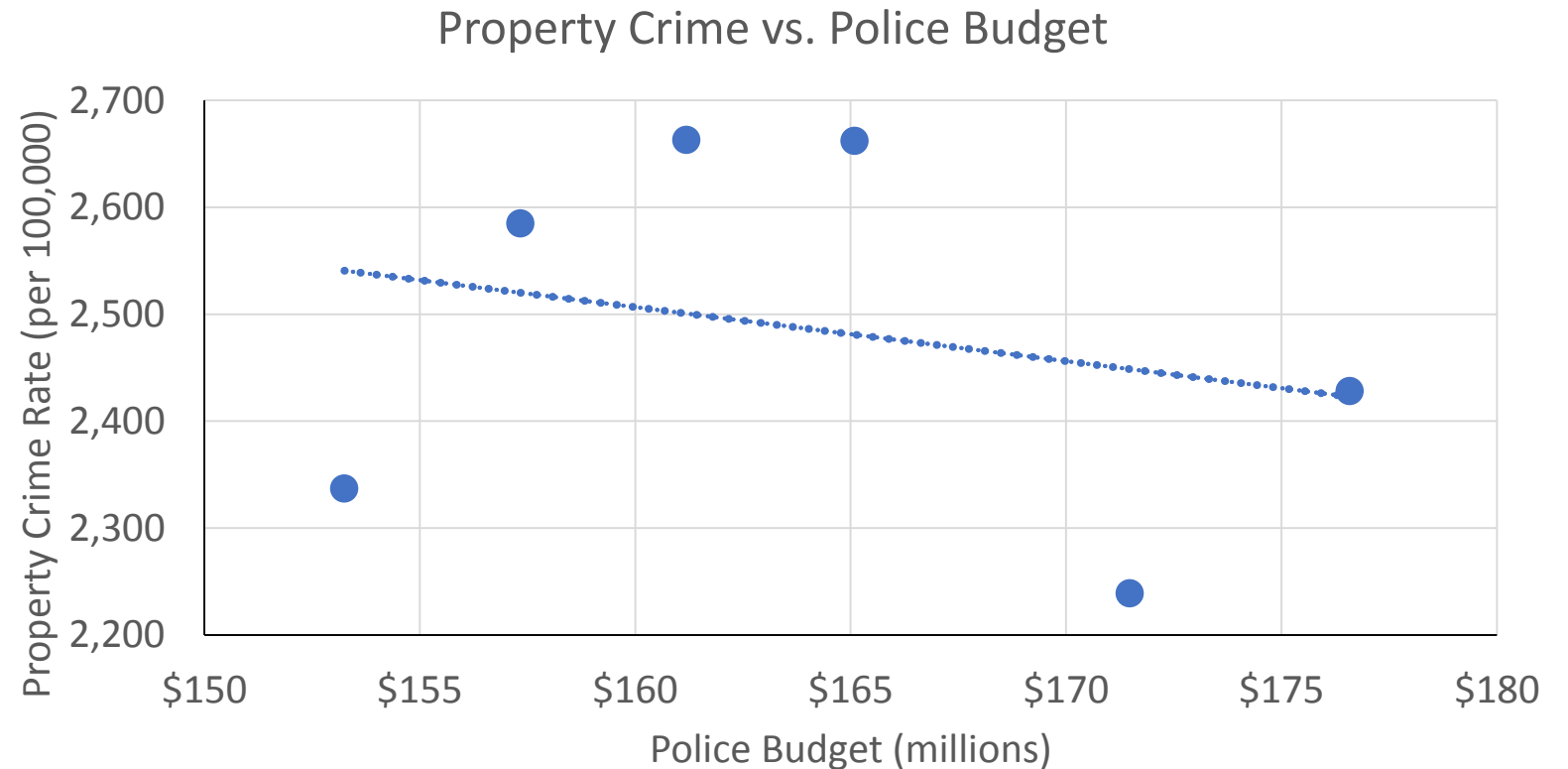


Sources:

- <https://hamiltonpolice.on.ca/about/budget>

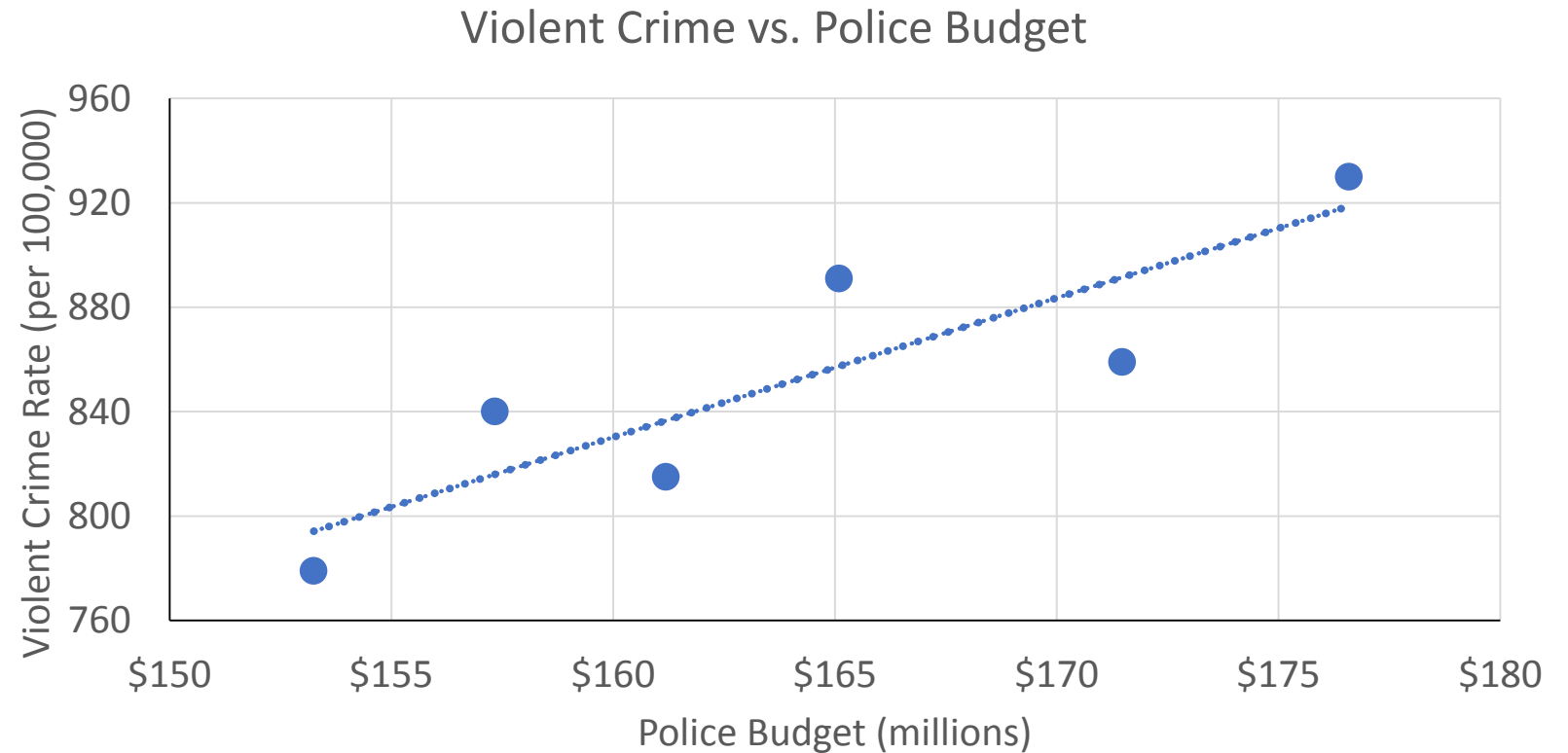
Hamilton Crime Stats Analysis: Property Crime

- Slope: -6.68
- 95% confidence:
 - Lower limit: -42.1231
 - Upper Limit: 28.79



Hamilton Crime Stats Analysis: Violent Crime

- Slope: 5.53
- 95% confidence:
 - Lower limit: 1.09
 - Upper Limit: 9.58



Case Study: Hamilton vs. Detroit

Hamilton				
Year	Population	Police Budget (per person)	Property Crime Rate (per 100,000 population)	Violent Crime Rate (per 100,000 Population)
2016	768,982	\$199.29	2,337	779
2017	777,572	\$202.34	2,585	840
2018	785,214	\$205.28	2,663	815

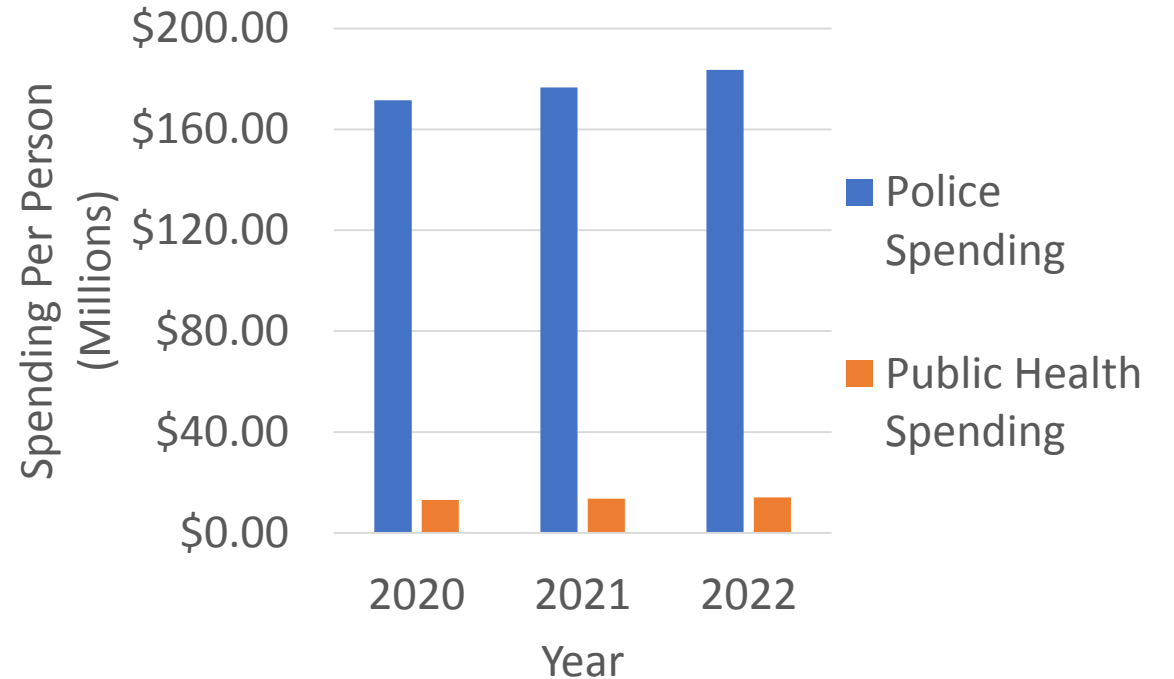
Detroit				
Year	Population	Police Budget (per person)	Property Crime Rate (per 100,000 population)	Violent Crime Rate (per 100,000 Population)
2016	672,662	\$458.31	4,723	2,008
2017	674,188	\$463.90	4,541	2,057
2018	785,214	\$468.83	4,305	2,047

Sources:

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- https://detroitmi.gov/sites/detroitmi.localhost/files/migrated_docs/financial-reports/FY%202018-2021%20City%20Council%20Four%20Year%20Financial%20Plan%20Section%20B%20Agency%20Descriptions.pdf
- <https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/tables/2010-2018/cities/totals/PEPANNCCHIP.pdf>

Hamilton Police Budget vs Public Health Spending

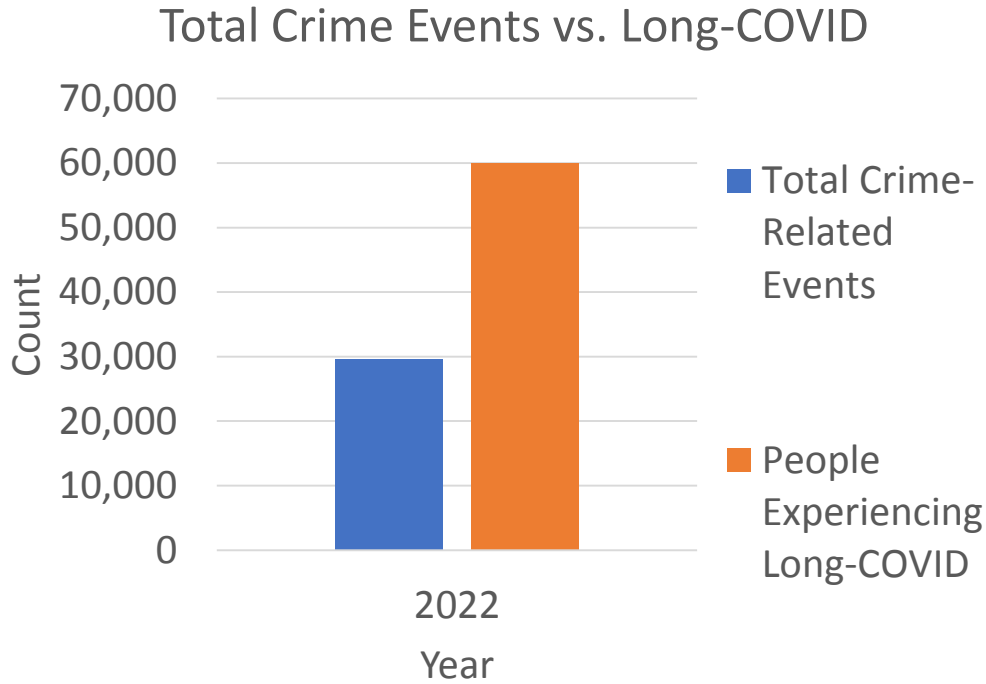
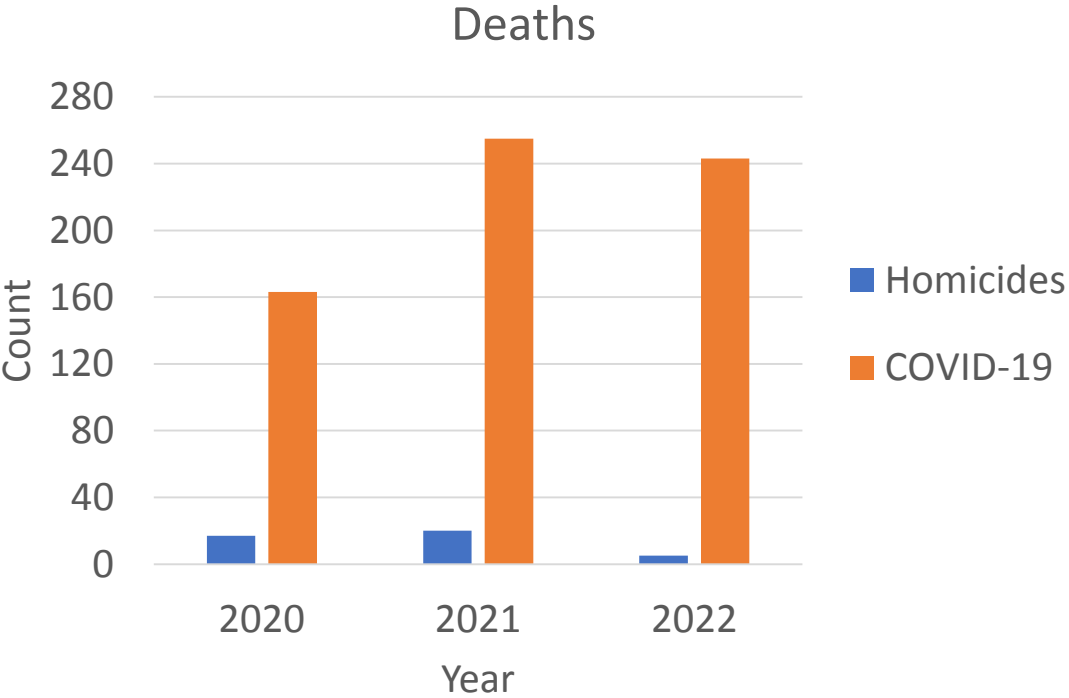
Year	Police Budget (millions)	Public Healthcare Budget (millions)
2020	\$171.48	\$12.99
2021	\$176.59	\$13.51
2022	\$183.54	\$14.07



Sources:

- Approved City of Hamilton budgets (example: https://www.hamilton.ca/sites/default/files/2022-11/Budget_2022-Approved-Operating-Capital-Book-sm.pdf)

Hamilton Crime vs. Public Health Outcomes



Sources:

1. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/hamilton-police-homicide-rate-1.6724633>
 2. <https://data.ontario.ca/en/dataset/status-of-covid-19-cases-in-ontario-by-public-health-unit-phu>
 3. <https://www.covid19immunitytaskforce.ca/seroprevalence-in-canada/>
 4. <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41579-022-00846-2>
- Long-COVID stats calculated by taking the seroprevalence estimated by the COVID-19 immunity taskforce in [3] for the end of 2022 (73 %) and multiplying it by the population of Hamilton to get an estimate of the total number of COVID-19 cases in 2022. This was then multiplied by the minimum prevalence of Long-COVID found in the meta-analysis done in [4] (10 %).
 - A conservative estimate of Total Crime events was calculated using the maximum property and violent crime rates Hamilton experienced from 2016-2021 (2022 stats are not yet available on stats-Canada) which were 2,663/100,000 and 930/100,000, respectively

Example of Money Well Spent

- Williams et al. estimate a city must spend between 1.3 million and 2.2 million on hiring new police officers to save one life per year
 - That amount of money could buy one large-sized HEPA filter per 7-12 HWDSB students
 - That amount of money could buy two N95 masks per Hamilton resident

Sources:

- https://www.nber.org/papers/w28202?utm_source=npr_newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=20210419&utm_term=5326149&utm_campaign=money&utm_id=49355949&orgid=&utm_att1=money



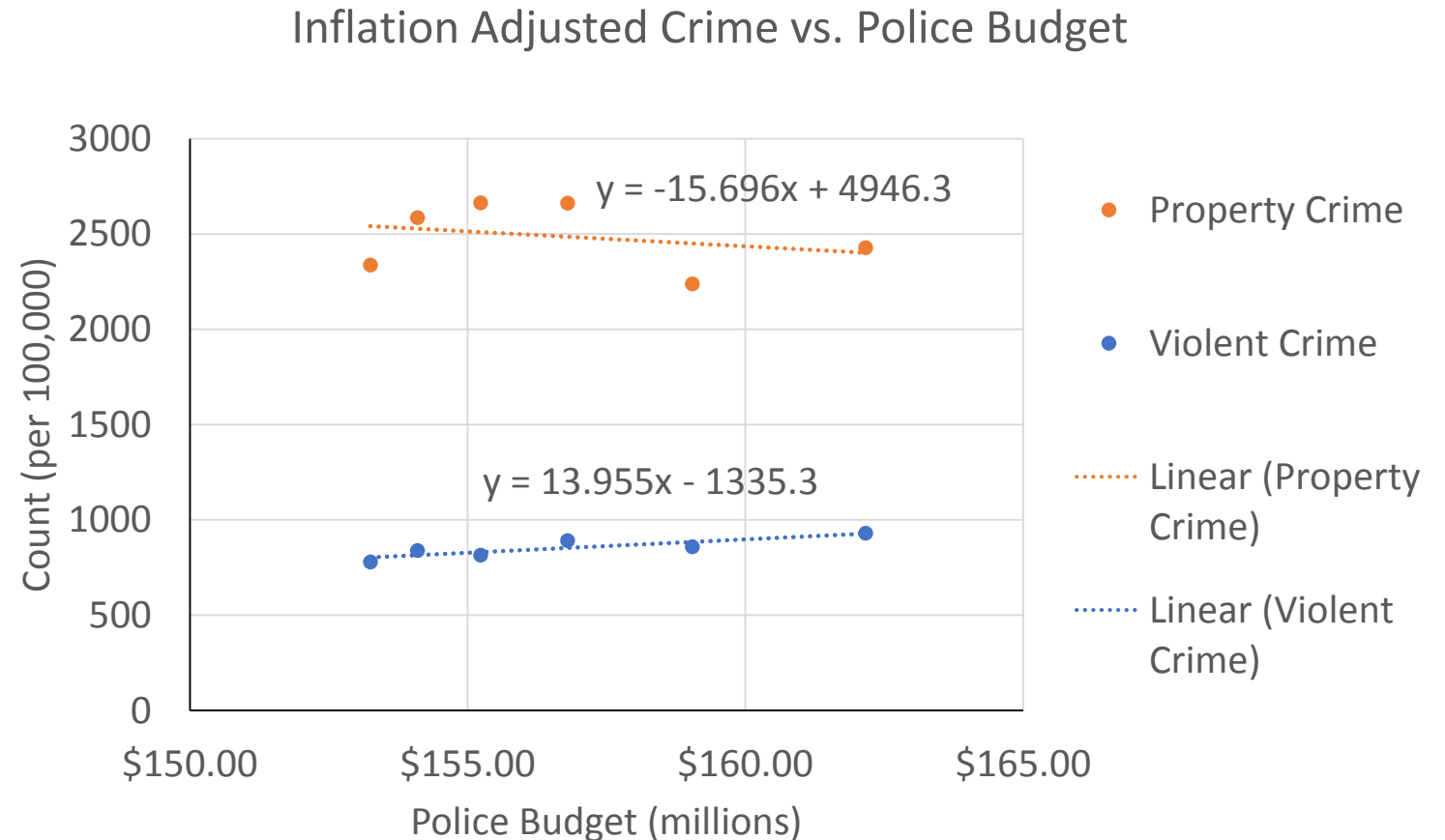
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Conclusion:

- Defund The police
- Fund Public Healthcare

Hamilton Crime Stats Analysis: Appendix

- When we adjust for inflation we still get no statistically significant correlation between police spending and crime rates
 - Slopes still suggest if anything violent crime increases as police budget increases



Sources:

- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/71-607-x/2018016/cpilg-ipcgl-eng.htm>

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

Sent: February 3, 2023 7:01 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Webform submission from: Request to Speak to a Committee of Council

Submitted on Fri, 02/03/2023 - 07:00

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

Committee Requested

Committee

General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Elizabeth Bloomfield

Preferred Pronoun

they/them

Reason(s) for delegation request

I'd like to speak against the HPS request for a \$12M increase in their budget, and in favour of allocating those funds towards healthcare and housing.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

Sent: February 3, 2023 9:26 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Webform submission from: Request to Speak to a Committee of Council

Submitted on Fri, 02/03/2023 - 09:25

Submitted by: Anonymous

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Jacqueline Cantar

Preferred Pronoun

they/them

Reason(s) for delegation request

Sharing opinion about city budget.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Nick de Koning

Preferred Pronoun

he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request

I will be delegating on the budget.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

Sent: February 3, 2023 10:10 AM

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Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Kara Jongeling

Preferred Pronoun

she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request

I would like to express my concerns regarding the HPS requested budget increase.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Lucia Iannantuono

Hamilton 350

Preferred Pronoun

she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request

Support for Care Fare campaign at Feb 6th GIC

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

Sent: February 3, 2023 10:28 AM

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Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Miranda Vander Vliet

Preferred Pronoun

she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request

police budget

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

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No

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Requestor Information

Adeola Egbeyemi

Environment Hamilton

Preferred Pronoun

she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request

Speaking at the Monday 6th 2023 Budget Meeting on reducing fossil fuel dependence in the city

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

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Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Myles Demeter

Preferred Pronoun

he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request

To discuss city taxation

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

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Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Mike Burnet

ACORN

Preferred Pronoun

he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request

Delegate for Feb 6 public delegation day - budget day.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

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In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Adan Amer

Hamilton 350

Preferred Pronoun

she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request

To show support for the Hamilton District Labour Council's proposed Care Fare Transit initiative.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

No

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Ken Stone

Community Coalition Against Racism

Preferred Pronoun

he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request

To oppose increase in police budget

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

Yes

Submitted on Sun, 01/29/2023 - 20:15

Submitted by: Anonymous

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?
Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?
Yes

Requestor Information

Requestor Information
nicole tollenaar

Preferred Pronoun
she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request
comments on budget

Will you be requesting funds from the City?
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?
No

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

Sent: February 2, 2023 9:47 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Submitted by: Anonymous

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

Yes

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Laura Katz

Preferred Pronoun

she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request

I'd like to ask councillors to vote against the proposed police budget increase request.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

Yes

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Marnie Schurter

ACORN

Preferred Pronoun

she/her

Reason(s) for delegation request

Submit pre recorded video delegation for Feb 6 public delegation day (budget).

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

No

From: City of Hamilton <hello@hamilton.ca>

Sent: February 2, 2023 11:29 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Submitted on Thu, 02/02/2023 - 11:28

Submitted by: Anonymous

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General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?

Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?

Yes

Requestor Information

Requestor Information

Gord Smyth

ACORN

Preferred Pronoun

he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request

Submit pre recorded video delegation for Feb 6 public delegation day (budget).

Will you be requesting funds from the City?

No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?

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