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A RESOLUTION BY km
COUNCILMEMBER KWANZA HALL

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND
AUTHORIZE A DESIGN TEAM FOR
A PILOT PRE-ARREST DIVERSION
INITIATIVE IN THE CITY OF
ATLANTA; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

12/07/2015 - Cncl. Hall,
as a sponsor of the
legislation, brought this
item, held more than 2
legislative cycles forward
for consideration by the Council.
A substitute was brought
forward by roll call vote.
Substitute adopted
REGULAR REPORT REFER
by roll call vote.
Substitute

- CONSENT REFER
- REGULAR REPORT REFER
- ADVERTISE & REFER
- 1ST ADOPT 2ND READ & REFER
- PERSONAL PAPER REFER

Date Referred
Referred To: 8/17/15 Public Safety

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Date 8/25/15
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Committee Public Safety
Date 9/29/15
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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION
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Readings
 Consent V Vote RC Vote

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT PROTOM
CERTIFIED
DEC 07 2015
Rosalind Johnson
MUNICIPAL CLERK

MAYOR'S ACTION
ADOPTED
DEC 07 2015
MAYOR'S OFFICE

**A RESOLUTION BY
COUNCILMEMBERS KWANZA HALL, MICHAEL JULIAN BOND, KEISHA LANCE
BOTTOMS, ANDRE DICKENS, C. T. MARTIN, AND FELICIA MOORE
SUBSTITUTED BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE**

AND SUBSTITUTED BY THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND AUTHORIZE A DESIGN TEAM FOR A PILOT PRE-ARREST DIVERSION INITIATIVE IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the city of Atlanta is seeking new ways to improve public safety and health and strengthen all of the city's communities;

WHEREAS, the city of Atlanta is also seeking to address the crisis and impact of mass criminalization and incarceration on the local level;

WHEREAS, the old approach of cycling people in and out of jail for low-level offenses including those involving drugs and prostitution has not been successful in decreasing these behaviors or improving community quality of life;

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta participated, as one of only 20 jurisdictions invited, in a national convening on Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD), a pre-arrest diversion program that the Seattle and Santa Fe police departments are using to enhance public safety while keeping nonviolent offenders out of jail, hosted by the White House in July 2015.

WHEREAS, President Barack Obama has stated that pre-arrest diversion initiatives are a priority for his administration, in line with the practical blueprint created by the Taskforce for 21st Century Policing;

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is interested in working with Fulton County to explore comprehensive and inclusive community-based policing initiatives that address underlying issues such as poverty, education, mental health and safety.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta and Fulton County have sent two delegations of elected officials and criminal legal system stakeholders to Seattle to observe the country's premier LEAD program to understand how it works and why;

WHEREAS, the Racial Justice Action Center was awarded a grant of \$200,000 from the Open Society Foundation specifically for the design process of a pre-arrest diversion initiative, including the hiring of qualified consultants who can lead the design group process;

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA HEREBY RESOLVES that the City of Atlanta supports the creation of a Pre-Arrest Diversion Initiative Design Team jointly with Fulton County to engage in a thorough examination process toward the goal of implementing a pilot program of a Pre-Arrest Diversion Initiative.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Design Team shall engage in a directed visioning and planning process to decide program details including but not limited to:

- Guiding vision and principles for the initiative;
- How the pilot program, and ultimately the initiative, may be implemented consistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Georgia and of the United States;
- Location of the pilot program and targeted population;
- Program eligibility, including charges and backgrounds;
- Case management requirements for the social service component;
- Collaboration and communication between entities;
- Fundraising and sustainability; and
- Through and objective evaluation of the program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Design Team shall include key stakeholders from the City of Atlanta, Fulton County, human services providers, and community members. Participants from the City of Atlanta shall include:

- 1 Representative from the Office of the Mayor
- 1 Representative from the Atlanta City Council, appointed by the Council President
- 1 Representative from the Public Safety Committee appointed by the Chairman
- 1 Community representative, appointed by the Council President
- Atlanta Police Department Chief of Police or his designee
- Atlanta Department of Corrections Chief or his designee
- Chief Judge, Atlanta Municipal Court, or his designee
- City of Atlanta Chief Solicitor or his designee
- City of Atlanta Chief Public Defender or her designee
- City Attorney or her designee

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution supports the function of the Design Team beginning January 1 of 2016 and shall sunset on December 31 of 2016.

A true copy,


Rhonda Doughton Johnson
Municipal Clerk

ADOPTED by the Atlanta City Council
APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

DEC 07, 2015
DEC 16, 2015

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CREATE AND AUTHORIZE A DESIGN TEAM FOR
PILOT PRE-ARREST DIVERSION INITIATIVE
ADOPT ON SUB

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NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 0
EXCUSED: 2
ABSENT 1

Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y Moore	E Bond
Y Hall	Y Wan	Y Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	E Shook	Y Bottoms	Y Dickens
Y Winslow	Y Adrean	Y Sheperd	B Mitchell

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Adopted by the Atlanta City Council
December 7, 2015

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DEC 10 2015
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BY OPERATION OF LAW

MAYOR'S ACTION