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Mayor Bobby Sanchez Executive Order #1 In Effect on and after January 5, 2026

ESTABLISHING THE MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN

By the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of New Britain under the City Charter, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. Purpose

- (a) New Britain is facing serious public safety challenges including violent crime, reckless driving, and threats to the wellbeing of families across our neighborhoods.
- (b) Ensuring public safety requires a coordinated, data-driven, and community-centered approach. A comprehensive and independent review is necessary to understand what is working, what is not, and how we can strengthen prevention, enforcement, and accountability.
- (c) The purpose of this Executive Order is to establish the Mayor's Task Force on Public Safety tasked with developing evidence-based strategies to reduce crime, improve safety, and rebuild public trust in our institutions. This Task Force will focus on prevention, enforcement, youth support, mental and behavioral health, and community partnership.

Section 2. Establishment

- (a) There is hereby established the **Mayor's Task Force on Public Safety**.
- (b) The Task Force shall operate in an advisory capacity to the Mayor. It shall review data, practices, and community feedback and issue recommendations but shall not exercise executive authority.

Section 3. Membership

- (a) The Task Force shall consist of seven (7) voting members appointed by the Mayor and shall include, to the extent practicable:
 - Representatives of local law enforcement, public works and community services agencies.
 - Representatives from the legal community.
 - Experts in public policy, data analysis, or related academic fields.
 - Leaders from community-based organizations, including youth-serving and victim-advocacy groups.
 - Representatives of civic, faith-based, and business organizations.

(b) The Mayor shall designate two Co-Chairs.

(c) Members shall serve without compensation.

Section 4. Duties and Scope of Review

The Task Force shall:

(a) Analyze recent and long-term crime trends in New Britain, identifying patterns by offense, geography, demographics, and contributing factors.

(b) Review current law-enforcement, prosecution, diversion, and prevention strategies including staffing levels, deployment practices, and coordination among agencies.

(c) Examine social and economic conditions that contribute to public safety, including housing instability, education, employment, behavioral health, substance use, and youth engagement.

(d) Evaluate data collection, information-sharing, technology use, and performance-measurement systems and recommend improvements.

(e) Assess community trust in public safety institutions and identify strategies to strengthen transparency, accountability, and police-community relations.

(f) Identify best practices from other cities and states and evaluate their applicability to New Britain.

(g) Develop specific, actionable recommendations for policies, programs, interagency coordination, and, where appropriate, legislative or budget changes.

Section 5. Powers and Operations

(a) The Task Force may hold public hearings, listening sessions, or community roundtables.

(b) Upon request, all City departments, agencies, boards, and commissions shall provide information, data, or staff support necessary for the Task Force's work, to the extent practicable.

Section 6. Reports and Recommendations

(a) The Task Force shall deliver an initial report outlining its work plan, priority areas, and timeline.

(b) Within six (6) months of the date of this Order, the Task Force shall submit a comprehensive final report to the Mayor, including findings and recommendations. The report shall be made publicly available, subject to applicable law.

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(c) The Task Force may provide interim findings or recommendations as needed.

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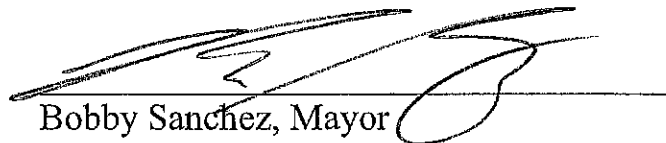
Section 7. Administrative Support

(a) The Mayor's Office, or a designated department, shall provide administrative and technical support to the Task Force.

Section 8. Duration

(a) Unless extended by a subsequent order, the Task Force shall dissolve 30 days after submission of its final report.

(b) This Order shall take effect immediately.


Bobby Sanchez, Mayor

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Joshua M. Brockett
Town Clerk