



ADVISORY COMMISSION ON POLICING

January 26, 2024

Honorable Andrew Friedson, President
Honorable Kate Stewart, Vice President
Montgomery County Council

Re: Bill 43-23 Crisis Intervention Team

Dear President Friedson and Vice President Stewart:

The Advisory Commission on Policing at its meeting on January 8, 2024, discussed Bill 43-23 as posted on our agenda.

We voted unanimously to neither support nor oppose Bill 43-23. In our view, the bill is premature. We believe that the protocol for responding to the varieties of situations covered by the bill is best developed by the Executive after reviewing the best practices from the experiences of other jurisdictions. We see the county as at an early stage in responding to these situations, and that there is insufficient data for the Council to legislate the details of the appropriate protocol for deploying these teams at this time.

With best wishes,

Eric E. Sterling, Chair
Advisory Commission on Policing