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Topic (please be specific): City roles and responsibilities re: Boone County Jail conditions. Understanding that direct jurisdictional boundaries keep the city from driving policy decisions in the Boone County Jail does not mean that the City has no say in how we interact with the Boone County Sheriff's Office. The conditions have been called into question. The City should be able to STOP its activities contributing to potential further abuses and engage in genuine discussion before resuming 'normal' operations. Pandemic operations has long been an excuse for why certain processes don't work as intended. This is not unique, applies to the Boone County Jail system as well, AND has the heightened costs of dealing with an incarcerated population that lacks the autonomy to seek self care. As it is, extreme cold weather conditions and pandemic mitigation are both concerns based on detainee and detainee friends/family accounts. The City needs to consider its role in contributing to

these conditions, identify the problems and consequences, and work to mitigate the impact of identified gaps and outcomes.

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