



OAKLAND POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 27, 2023
5:30 P.M.

I. Call to Order, Welcome, Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Chair Tyfahra Milele called the meeting to order at approximately 5:38 p.m. and took roll.

Roll Call:

Present: Chair Tyfahra Milele; Commissioner Brenda Harbin-Forte; Commissioner Rudolph Howell; Commissioner Jesse Hsieh; Commissioner Regina Jackson; Commissioner Marsha Peterson

Excused: Alternate Commissioner Angela Jackson-Castain, Alternate Commissioner Karely Ordaz

Late: Vice Chair David Jordan

II. Closed Session

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code Section 54957(b))

Prior to closed session, public comment was made by 1 person (Bey).

In closed session, on a motion made by Commissioner Peterson and seconded by Commissioner Harbin-Forte, the Commission voted unanimously to direct CPRA to conduct 2 investigations into officer misconduct complaints, IAD cases #22-1102 and #23-0459.

III. Open Forum Part 1

Public comment was made by 1 person (Olugbala).

IV. Office of the City Attorney (OCA) Semiannual Report

This item was postponed until the next Commission meeting on May 11th at the request of the Office of the City Attorney.

No public comment was made.

V. Update from Oakland Police Department (OPD)

Interim Chief Allison provided an update on crime and arrest statistics, the extension of the sustainability period to September, follow-up on status of systems impacted by the ransomware incident, MACRO, and CARES. Chief Allison also shared information on OPD's recently launched community survey "Blockwise", a Zencity survey aimed at bridging the relationship between OPD and the community.

Dr. Leigh Grossman presented on findings of Task 45 – Consistency of Discipline 2022 Report, which can be found on OPD's website.

Questions were raised by Commissioners Jackson, Jordan, Howell, Peterson, Harbin-Forte and Chair Milele.

Public comments were made by 1 person (Olugbala).

VI. Update from Community Police Review Agency (CPRA)

Director Jones shared the CPRA monthly report on its database, cases, RFQ for commission counsel, RFP for a CRPA/IAD consultant, trainings, mediation considerations, and community outreach.

Questions and comments were shared by Commissioners Peterson, Harbin-Forte, and Chair Milele.

Public comment was made by 1 person (Olugbala).

VII. 2022 Police Commission Annual Report for Review and Discussion

Commissioners Jackson and Peterson presented on the work done on the Annual Report and its current status, welcoming review and suggestion from the Commission and public.

Questions and suggestions were shared by Commissioners Harbin-Forte and Jordan.

Public comment was made by 1 person (Olugbala).

VIII. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Hsieh requested additional review of March 23rd meeting minutes to ensure appropriate language was used in reference to a motion on DGO 15 - Body Worn Camera Policy.

Commissioner Harbin-Forte made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for March 9; March 30; and April 13. This motion was seconded by Vice Chair Jordan and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Jordan, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Hsieh, Jackson, Peterson, Milele

Nays: 0

No public comment was made.

IX. Committee Reports

Staff Searches: CPRA Director, Chief of Staff, Police Chief (Commissioners Milele, Jordan, Howell)

Chair Milele provided an update on the Staff Searches Ad Hoc, which will be holding a forum for the CPRA Executive Director search on May 4 at 6:30 p.m. The ad hoc continues to welcome public feedback on suggested questions via email. Flyers can be found on the Commission website and Twitter in multiple languages.

The ad hoc has met with Mayor Thao for preliminary discussion on the Chief of Police search and will provide regular updates to the Commission as the process continues.

Militarized Equipment (Commissioners Hsieh, Jordan, Jackson-Castain)

Commissioner Hsieh provided an update on the Militarized Equipment Ad Hoc Committee. The ad hoc is currently working on the Militarized Equipment Annual Report, an extensive report that will be shared at the next Commission meeting. Commissioner Hsieh also shared information on the community engagement meeting the ad hoc is planning, tentatively set for May 25th.

CPRA Policies (Commissioners Harbin-Forte, Jackson-Castain, Ordaz)

Commissioner Harbin-Forte, Chair of the CPRA Policies Ad Hoc, shared the committee's plan to present its amended proposed policies manual to the Commission at the next May 11th meeting.

Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc Committee (Commissioners Hsieh, Howell, Jackson-Castain)

Commissioner Hsieh provided an update on the Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc, which holds its next meeting on May 9th. The ad hoc is currently working on the Commission Code of Conduct and receiving assistance from former Commissioner Jose Dorado and former Police Commission Chief of Staff Rania Adwan.

Public comments were made by 2 persons (Kramer; Olugbala).

X. Upcoming/Future Agenda Items

Commissioner Jackson requested an update on the budget and an NSA update.

No public comment was made.

XI. Open Forum Part 2

No public comment was made.

XII. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, Commissioner Peterson shared that a virtual town hall will take place at Allen Temple Baptist Church, April 29 at 12:00-1:30 p.m. The town hall will feature a panel including Commissioner Peterson, Chair Milele, Commissioner Jackson, DA Pamela Price, and others.

Commissioner Jackson also shared that an Oakland Youth Safety Conference will be held May 13, 10:30-1:00 p.m. at Youth Uprising. Presenting will be OIG Phillips, Councilperson Treva Reid, and others.

Chair Milele adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:06 p.m.