

OAKLAND POLICE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES - FINAL

January 14, 2021 5:30 PM

I. Call to Order

Chair Regina Jackson

The meeting began at 5:32 pm.

II. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Chair Regina Jackson

Commissioners Present: José Dorado, Henry Gage, III, Sergio Garcia, Brenda Harbin-Forte, Regina Jackson, and Tyfahra Singleton. Quorum was met.

Alternate Commissioners Present: David Jordan

Counsel for this meeting: Conor Kennedy and Nitasha Sawhney

III. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

Comments were provided by the following public speakers: Assata Olugbala

The Commission adjourned to closed session. The open session section of the meeting commenced at 6:52 pm.

IV. Closed Session

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE - Gov't Code § 54957(b)

V. Report out of Closed Session

There were no reportable actions taken.

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by José Dorado, to suspend the rules of order and take item XIV first in order to agendize pending Bey cases investigations for March 11, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Gage, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

VI. Welcome, Purpose, and Open Forum

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Saleem Bey

Ginale Harris

Jennifer Tu

Assata Olugbala

Michele Lazaneo

Kevin Cantu

Emma Brower

VII. Update from Interim Police Chief

OPD Interim Chief Manheimer provided an update on Department activities including crime statistics.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Reisa Jaffe

Ginale Harris

Kevin Cantu

Rashidah Grinage

Michele Lazaneo

Assata Olugbala

Saleem Bey

Joseph Mente

Jennifer Tu

Rachel Beck

Emily Sachs

Mariano Contreras

Jasmine Fallstich

Anne Janks

Cathy Leonard

No action was taken on this item.

VIII. Concurrence Process Presentation

CPRA Executive Director John Alden delivered a presentation on how the OPD-CPRA concurrence process works in discipline cases.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Rashidah Grinage

Assata Olugbala

Saleem Bey

John Bey

Speaker did not identify themselves

Emma Brower

No action was taken on this item.

Henry Gage, III left the meeting at 9:10 pm.

IX. Police Commission Statement About Police Misconduct

The Commission discussed, and voted to approve, a statement about police misconduct.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Assata Olugbala Saleem Bey Speaker did not identify themselves Cathy Leonard Anne Janks

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Tyfahra Singleton, to approve the Commission's statement about police misconduct. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

X. Resolution Urging District Attorney to Re-Open Oscar Grant Case

The Commission discussed, and voted to approve, a resolution urging District Attorney Nancy O'Malley to re-open the Oscar Grant case.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Cathy Leonard Assata Olugbala Saleem Bey Ginale Harris

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by José Dorado to approve the resolution urging District Attorney Nancy O'Malley to re-open the Oscar Grant case. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by José Dorado, to table item XI to the next agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

XI. Effects of Measure S1 (this item was tabled to a future agenda)

No public comments were provided on this item.

XII. Budget Discussion

The Commission discussed the City's recent budget projections and potential cuts due to projected deficit and voted to move forward with a version presented by CPRA Executive Director John Alden.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Kevin Cantu

Ginale Harris

Reisa Jaffe

Emma Brower

Assata Olugbala

Megan Steffen

Speaker did not identify themselves

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by José Dorado, to move forward with the bold budget approach as illustrated in Exhibit B of attachment 12. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

XIII. Meeting Minutes Approval

The Commission voted to approve minutes from December 10 and 17, 2020.

No public comments were provided on this item.

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by José Dorado, to approve the minutes from December 10, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by José Dorado, to approve the minutes from December 17, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

XIV. Agenda Setting and Prioritization of Upcoming Agenda Items (this item was taken after item V)

The Commission voted to have a report on March 11, 2021 on the pending Bey investigations.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers: Saleem Bey Ginale Harris Assata Olugbala Megan Steffen

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Sergio Garcia, to have a report on March 11, 2021 regarding the pending Bey investigations. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Gage, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0

XV. Adjournment

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by José Dorado, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Singleton

No: 0