

CITY OF OAKLAND POLICE COMMISSION SELECTION PANEL (SPECIAL MEETING)

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Hearing Room #1 Oakland, CA 94612

Selection Panel Members: Chairperson Sarah Chavez-Yoell (District 3), Second Chairperson John Jones III (At Large), Tal Klement (District 1), James Chanin (District 2), *Vacant* (District 4), Mary Vail (District 5), Candice Jessie (District 6), Jean Blacksher (District 7), *Vacant* (Mayor)

1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Quorum was determined and the Chair (S. Chavez-Yoell) started the meeting at 5:10 pm.

Members present: Sarah Chavez-Yoell, John Jones III (arrived at 5:20 pm), Jean Blacksher, Jim Chanin, Tal Klement (arrived at 5:11 pm), Candice Jessie and Mary Vail

Staff present: Stephanie Hom

City Attorney Staff present: Allison Dibley

2. Open Forum

Comments were provided by the following public speakers: Lorelei Bosserman

ACTION ITEMS

3. Approval of Selection Panel Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for May 8, 2019 was moved (M. Vail) and seconded (J. Chanin). Motion passed with 4 ayes and 2 abstentions (J. Blacksher, S. Chavez-Yoell). Absent during vote: J. Jones.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for June 19, 2019 was moved (M. Vail) and seconded (J. Chanin). Motion passed with 5 ayes and 1 abstention (J. Blacksher).

4. Determining Selection Panel Chairperson / Vice Chairperson

Motion to elect John Jones III as the Selection Panel Chairperson was moved (S. Chavez-Yoell) and seconded (T. Klement). Motion passed with 7 ayes.

[At the time, newly elected Chairperson J. Jones started chairing the meeting.]

Motion to elect Candice Jessie as the Selection Panel Vice Chairperson was moved (J. Chanin) and seconded (M. Vail). Motion passed with 7 ayes.

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5. 2019 Police Commissioner Application and Selection Process

The Selection Panel discussed identifying applicants to invite for interviews at the next Selection Panel meetings.

The Selection Panel took a short recess (5:34 pm - 5:46 pm) while they individually reviewed the written applications submitted for Police Commissioner.

The Selection Panel indicated their individual interest for each applicant they thought should be invited for an interview. Stephanie Hom tallied the number of votes each applicant received.

Motion to invite the following 10 applicants that received 4 or more votes for an interview with the Selection Panel was moved (J. Chanin) and seconded (S. Chavez-Yoell). Motion passed with 7 ayes.

Last Name	First Name	Total Votes	Voting Members
Crane	Gabriel	7	TK, JB, JJ, CJ, SCY, MV, JC
Taylor	Sherria	6	TK, CJ, SCY, MV, JB, JC
Swoffard	Barbara	5	JC, TK, JJ, CJ, JB
Cobb	Gay	5	JC, JJ, CJ, SCY, MV
Gage	Henry	5	JC, TK, JJ, CJ, MV
Tigges	Michael	5	JC, JJ, SCY, MV, JB
Silas	Tiffany	4	JB, TK, JJ, CJ
Dorton	Mark	4	TK, JJ, SCY, JB
Jordan	David	4	JC, TK, JJ, CJ
Cross	Cristina	4	MV, JJ, TK, JB

The other 6 applicants as follows are not being invited for an interview:

Last Name	First Name	Total Votes	Voting Members
Wilkins	David	3	SCY, CJ, TK
Palmer	John	3	TK, CJ, SCY
Moore	Darlene	2	JJ, JB
Chatila	Beilal	2	CJ, JC
Taleb	Abdul	1	MV
Sheibels	Jeffrey	0	

Motion to hold a special Selection Panel meeting on July 1, 2019 starting at 5:30 pm to conduct 6 interviews (of 25 minutes each) and another meeting on July 3, 2019 starting at

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5:30 to conduct 4 interviews and deliberations, including any information received from references, and to keep the option of scheduling a third special Selection Panel meeting if necessary, was moved (S. Chavez-Yoell) and seconded (J. Blacksher). Motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 no vote (C. Jessie).

J. Chanin had contacted some references for 5 of the applicants invited to an interview. M. Vail and C. Jessie volunteered to contact references for the other 5 applicants. Stephanie Hom will send reference contact information to C. Jessie for applicants Tiffany Silas, Gay Cobb and Gabriel Crane; and will send reference contact information to M. Vail for applicants Christina Cross and Henry Gage.

6. Report from Ad Hoc Committee Survey of Current Police Commissioners

J. Jones provided another verbal report on information that he had received from Police Commissioners as part of the Ad Hoc Committee created on November 19, 2018 effort to survey current Police Commissioners about their thoughts about the Selection Panel application/interview process, which included the commonly repeated themes of significant time commitment and interpersonal dynamics present in serving on the Police Commission.

[S. Chavez-Yoell excused herself from the meeting between 6:35 pm – 6:45 pm.]

7. Open Forum

There were no comments from the public.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 pm.