



**CITY OF OAKLAND
POLICE COMMISSION SELECTION PANEL
(SPECIAL MEETING)**

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 3, 2019

City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Hearing Room #1
Oakland, CA 94612

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

1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Quorum was determined and the meeting started at 5:36 pm.

Members present: Chairperson John Jones III, Jean Blacksher, Jim Chanin, Sarah Chavez-Yoell, Tal Klement (arrived at 5:38 pm), and Mary Vail

Members absent: Vice Chairperson Candice Jessie

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 Draft Minutes

The meeting minutes for June 26, 2019 were approved at the July 1, 2019 meeting so no action was needed.

4. Selection Panel Interviews and Deliberations of Police Commission Applicants

The Selection Panel interviewed applicants for the Oakland Police Commission including the following:

Barbara Swoffard (via phone)
Christina Cross
David Jordan

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Applicant Tiffany Silas did not participate in the scheduled interview. Applicant Mark Dorton withdrew his application for the position prior to the scheduled interview. Applicant Sherria Taylor was not available to participate in the interview this evening.

[The Selection Panel recessed between 5:45 pm and 6:00 pm and again between 6:43 pm and 6:54 pm in between interviews.]

Motion to deliberate and select 2 applicants to serve on the Police Commission and not select applicants for a reserve pool was moved (T. Klement) and seconded (J. Chanin). Motion passed with 5 ayes and 1 abstention (J. Blacksher). Absent: C. Jessie.

Motion to determine the 2 applicants to serve on the Police Commission by having each Selection Panel member cast 2 votes for the applicants interviewed with the applicant having the highest number of votes to serve on the Police Commission as a regular Police Commissioner and the applicant with the second highest number of votes to serve as the Alternate Police Commissioner. Motion passed with 6 ayes. Absent: C. Jessie.

Selection Panel members casted their votes for applicants interviewed as following:

Last Name	First Name	Total Votes	Voting Members
Gage	Henry	4	JB, TK, JJ, MV
Jordan	David	4	JB, JC, SCY, MV
Cross	Cristina	2	JJ, SCY
Swoffard	Barbara	2	JC, TK
Crane	Gabriel	0	
Tigges	Michael	0	

Motion to select the top 2 applicants, Henry Gage and David Jordan, to serve on the Police Commission and 1 standby, if one of the top 2 applicants is unable to serve or as a reserve was moved (J. Jones) and seconded (J. Blacksher). Motion passed with 5 ayes and 1 no vote (J. Chanin). Absent: C. Jessie.

Motion to select Henry Gage as the regular Police Commissioner and David Jordan as the Alternate Police Commissioner for the slate to submit to the City Council was moved (M. Vail) and seconded (T. Klement). Motion passed with 4 ayes and 2 no votes (J. Chanin, S. Chavez-Yoell).

Motion to select Christina Cross as the 1 standby applicant was moved (S. Chavez-Yoell) and seconded (J. Blacksher). Motion passed with 5 ayes and 1 no vote (J. Chanin).

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Motion that if a Police Commission vacancy arises, the Selection Panel would give Applicant Sherria Taylor an opportunity to interview prior to selecting Christina Cross to the vacancy was moved (J. Chanin). Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Motion to have the Police Commissioner application process be a continuous process with no application deadline was moved (S. Chavez-Yoell) and seconded (T. Klement). Motion passed with 6 ayes. Absent: C. Jessie.

5. Open Forum

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6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.