



OAKLAND POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

October 27, 2022

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 5:35 p.m. and took roll.

Roll Call:

Present: Chair Tyfahra Milele; Vice Chair Marsha Peterson; Commissioner Brenda Harbin-Forte; Commissioner Rudolph Howell; Commissioner Regina Jackson; Commissioner Jesse Hsieh; Alternate Commissioner Angela Jackson-Castain; Alternate Commissioner Karely Ordaz

Absent: None

II. Closed Session

CONFERENCE WITH COUNSEL — Existing Litigation under Gov. Code § 54954.5 and 54956.9(a)

Marleen L. Sacks, Alameda County Taxpayers' Association v. City of Oakland, Oakland Police Commission, John Alden, Ed Reiskin, Libby Schaaf and DOES 1-5. Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG20078708.

There were no public comments. The Oakland Police Commission adjourned to closed session at approximately 5:45 p.m.

III. Roll Call and Re-Determination of Quorum

The Commission returned from closed session and reconvened in public session at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Present: Chair Tyfahra Milele; Vice Chair Marsha Peterson; Commissioner Brenda Harbin-Forte; Commissioner Rudolph Howell; Commissioner Regina Jackson; Commissioner Jesse Hsieh; Commissioner David Jordan; Alternate Commissioner Angela Jackson-Castain; Alternate Commissioner Karely Ordaz

Absent: None

IV. Report out of Closed Session

No reportable actions were taken in closed session.

Before moving on to the next agenda item, Commissioner Jordan asked the Commission to entertain a shift in the ordering of the agenda to move up item IX. Report from Commission Counsel and Chief of Staff on Commission Powers and Duties, Agenda Planning, and Budgeting Schedule/Calendar 2022-23. Chair Milele asked if there were any objections to a reordering of the agenda.

Commissioner Jackson asked if this would delay Open Forum Part 1 as the next item, and Chair Milele clarified that it would not. Without objections, Chair Milele moved up Agenda Item IX, The Report from Commission Council and Chief of Staff, to take place after Open Forum Part 1.

V. Open Forum Part 1

Public comments were made by 3 persons (Belew; Grinage; Janks).

IX. Report from Commission Counsel and Chief of Staff on Commission Powers and Duties, Agenda Planning, and Budgeting Schedule/Calendar 2022-23

Chair Milele introduced the agenda item with reflections on the course of the Commission and the importance of establishing systems and schedules for all of the Commission's critical oversight work. Counsel Garcia shared appreciation for the Commission's dual challenge of "flying the plane and building it at the same time." Counsel Nguyen and Chief of Staff Yun presented on Commission duties outlined in the City Charter and Municipal Code, agenda planning, and budgeting schedule. Questions were raised and comments made by Vice Chair Peterson, Commissioner Jackson and Jordan, and Alternate Commissioner Ordaz.

Public Comments were made by 2 persons (Olugbala; Contreras).

VI. Update from Oakland Police Department (OPD)

Chief Armstrong presented on the department's efforts toward compliance and sustainability in the month of October. Included were statistic on improved staffing and growth within the Department with the focus being local hires, Task 45, the 30-day enforcement plan and associated 84 guns removed from the streets of Oakland during that time frame, and upcoming Academy graduation. Deputy Chief Wong and Dr. Leigh Grossman of Risk Management also provided information on data from Risk Management meetings, including citywide trends involving use of force and disparities in stops.

Questions from Vice Chair Peterson, Commissioner Hsieh, Commissioner Harbin-Forte, and Alternate Commissioner Ordaz were responded to by Chief Armstrong and Dr. Grossman.

Public comments were made by 3 persons (Grinage; Olugbala; Janks).

VII. Update from Interim Community Police Review Agency Director, CPRA – Aaron Zisser
Interim CPRA Director Zisser provided updates on the recent critical incident that took place involving an OPD pursuit ending in a fatality. Updates were also provided on the staffing efforts including several extended offers for intake technicians and complaint investigators. Interim CPRA Director Zisser answered questions from Commissioner Harbin-Forte, Vice Chair Peterson, Commissioner Jackson, and Alternate Commissioner Ordaz.

Public comments were made by 1 person (Olugbala).

VIII. Scope of Office of the City Attorney Biannual Report
Item postponed.

No public comment was made.

X. Commission Retreat

Vice Chair Peterson, Commissioner Jackson, and Chief of Staff Kelly Yun provided information on the potential candidates to facilitate the retreat. Included were Blaise Consulting Group, Building for Mission, Dr. Omowale Satterwhite, KLS Consulting, and Cejas Coaching. Questions and comments were raised by Commissioner Hsieh, Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Harbin-Forte, Vice Chair Peterson, and Chair Milele.

No public comment was made.

On motion of Vice Chair Peterson to select the proposal of Dr. Omowale Satterwhite to carry out the duties set forth in his proposal and facilitate the retreat, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Milele, Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Jackson, Hsieh

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Jordan

Counsel Garcia clarified that a second motion was also needed. The Chair then made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Harbin-Forte, to direct Dr. Satterwhite to perform the duties in the proposal and to work with the chair to facilitate the retreat, and that the Commission delegates to the Chair the ability to work with Dr. Satterwhite to facilitate the meeting. No public comment was required, and the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Milele, Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Jackson, Hsieh

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - Jordan

Chair Milele than granted Vice Chair Peterson's request that she, Commissioner Jackson, and Chair Milele meet as soon as possible to finalize the retreat agenda and to allow the facilitator to have input into the agenda.

XI. Committee Reports

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

Commissioner Harbin-Forte reported that the committee met the past Tuesday and will be meeting every other Tuesday from 6 to 7:30 pm, and that the meetings are open to the public. The Committee hopes to have a draft set of policies and procedures by the end of January. Alternate Commissioner Ordaz and Commissioner Jackson made comments.

Racial Profiling (Committee of the Whole)

Chair Milele detailed the current state of the Racial Profiling Committee, detailing the next steps for the Committee. Included was the request made of the Chief of Staff Yun to create an RFP for the project manager role and the search for potential guest speakers.

CPRA Executive Director Search (Chair Milele, Vice Chair Peterson, Commissioner Jackson)

Updates were provided by Chair Milele, Vice Chair Peterson, and Commissioner Jackson regarding the CPRA Executive Director search. They have received more than 29 applications so far.

Public comment was made by 1 person (Olugbala).

XII. Open Forum Part 2

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

XIII. Upcoming/Future Agenda Items

Commissioner Jackson requested an update on the Chief of Staff search.

No Public Comment was made.

XIV. Adjournment

Chair Milele adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:18 p.m.