



OAKLAND POLICE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES - FINAL

March 25, 2021

6:30 PM

I. **Call to Order**

Chair Regina Jackson

The meeting began at 6:30 pm.

II. **Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

Chair Regina Jackson

Commissioners Present: José Dorado, Henry Gage, III, Brenda Harbin-Forte, Regina Jackson, and David Jordan. Quorum was met.

Alternate Commissioners Present: Marsha Peterson

Commissioners Excused: Tyfahra Singleton

Counsel for this meeting: Conor Kennedy

III. **Welcome, Purpose, and Open Forum**

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Barbara Atwell

Katie Loncke

Assata Olugbala

Michele Lazaneo

Joseph Mente

Saleem Bey

Kiana Rodriguez

John Bey

IV. **Update from Police Chief**

OPD Chief Armstrong provided an update on the Department including the creation of a Violent Crimes Operations Center within the Bureau of Investigations, and the creation of a Bureau of Risk Management.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Reisa Jaffe

Omar Farmer

John Lindsay-Poland

Joseph Mente

Jasmine Fallstich

Saleem Bey

Assata Olugbala

Jennifer Tu

John Bey

No action was taken on this item.

V. 2021 California Police Reform Legislation

Former Commissioner Tara Anderson and Gabriel Garcia of Youth Alive reviewed 2021 bill language currently being considered by the State of California. The Commission voted to send letters of support for these bills.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Saleem Bey
Tracy Rosenberg
Assata Olugbala
Anne Janks

A motion was made by Marsha Peterson, seconded by José Dorado, to provide letters of support for AB 127, AB 481, AB 655, and SB 299. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Gage, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Jordan
No: 0

VI. Reimagining Public Safety Task Force Update

Former Commissioner Ginale Harris shared an update on the Reimagining Public Safety Task Force.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Kevin Cantú
Saleem Bey
John Bey
Omar Farmer
Jennifer Tu
Joseph Mente
Assata Olugbala
Reisa Jaffe

No action was taken on this item.

VII. Resolution on Sunsetting the Use of the BearCat

The Commission reviewed and voted to approve a resolution regarding the sunsetting the use of the BearCat.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Omar Farmer
John Lindsay-Poland
Joseph Mente
Jennifer Tu
Kevin Cantú
Assata Olugbala

Tracy Rosenberg

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Marsha Peterson, to approve resolution 21-04 with amended language at the end: "FURTHER RESOLVED, the Oakland Police Department shall not transfer the BearCat to another police department or law enforcement agency." The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Dorado, Gage, Garcia, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Jordan
No: 0

A motion was made by Marsha Peterson, seconded by José Dorado, to extend the meeting to 11:30 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Gage, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Jordan
No: 0**

A second motion was made by Regina Jackson, seconded by José Dorado, to table items X, XII, XIII, XIV, and XVI to the next agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Gage, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Jordan
No: 0**

A third motion was made by Brenda Harbin-Forte, seconded by José Dorado, to table item VIII to the next agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye: Dorado, Garcia, Gage, Harbin-Forte, Jackson, and Jordan
No: 0**

VIII. Resolution to Support City Council Signed Ordinance Amending Anti-Nepotism Ordinance OMC Chapter 2.40 Exception for OPD and OFD (*this item was tabled to a future agenda*)

No public comments were provided on this item.

IX. Formal Request for Commissioner Access to Discipline Meetings and Related Personnel Information

The Commission voted to approve a formal request for access to portions of Discipline Meetings between CPRA and OPD that pertain to the "concurrence" process, including related confidential personnel records.

No public comments were provided on this item.

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Marsha Peterson, to adopt the request for Commissioner access to discipline meetings/personnel information as written. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

X. Report on and Review of CPRA Pending Cases, Completed Investigations, Staffing, and Recent Activities *this item was tabled to a future agenda*

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Joseph Mente

Assata Olugbala

Reisa Jaffe

No action was taken on this item.

XI. Police Commission 2020 Annual Report

The Commission discussed and voted to approve the annual report that will be submitted to the Mayor, City Council, and the public.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Saleem Bey

Assata Olugbala

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Sergio Garcia, to accept the 2020 annual report as written. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

XII. Commission Retreat Follow Up *(this item was tabled to a future agenda)*

No public comments were provided on this item.

XIII. Meeting Minutes Approval *(this item was tabled to a future agenda)*

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Saleem Bey

XIV. Committee Reports *(this item was tabled to a future agenda)*

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Saleem Bey

John Bey

Jennifer Tu

Kevin Cantú

XV. Open Forum

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Kevin Cantú

Anne Janks
Assata Olugbala
Saleem Bey

XVI. Agenda Setting and Prioritization of Upcoming Agenda Items (*this item was tabled to a future agenda*)

No public comments were provided on this item.

XVII. Adjournment

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Brenda Harbin-Forte, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0