



OAKLAND POLICE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES - FINAL

April 8, 2021
6:30 PM

I. Call to Order

Vice Chair José Dorado

II. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Vice Chair José Dorado

Commissioners Present: José Dorado, Henry Gage, III, Brenda Harbin-Forte, Regina Jackson (*arrived during item IV*), 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:

Gene Hazzard

Bruce Schmiechen

Saleem Bey

Assata Olugbala

Reisa Jaffe

Kevin Cantú

IV. Update from Police Chief

OPD Chief Armstrong provided an update on the Department including the newly created Violent Crimes Operations Center and the statistic that gun recoveries are up 31% over last year.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Bruce Schmiechen

Reisa Jaffe

Saleem Bey

Assata Olugbala

John Bey

Gene Hazzard

No action was taken on this item.

V. Commission Retreat Follow Up (*this item was rescheduled to a future agenda*)

No public comments were provided on this item.

VI. Revisions to Meeting Agenda Format

The Rules Committee proposed a revised meeting agenda format that will give the public advance notice of what will happen at the meetings. The Commission voted to accept the revised agenda format.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Kevin Cantú
Rachel Beck
Gene Hazzard
Assata Olugbala
Reisa Jaffe
Saleem Bey
Rashidah Grinage

A motion was made by Henry Gage, III, seconded by Sergio Garcia, to adopt the revised meeting agenda format. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

VII. Police Commission Code of Conduct Policy

The Commission reviewed a new Code of Conduct presented by the Rules Committee.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Reisa Jaffe
Speaker did not identify themselves
Assata Olugbala
Saleem Bey

No action was taken on this item.

VIII. Resolution to Support City Council Signed Ordinance Amending Anti-Nepotism Ordinance OMC Chapter 2.40 Exception for OPD and OFD

The Commission discussed a resolution to support a City Council ordinance amending an anti-nepotism ordinance.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Assata Olugbala
Saleem Bey

No action was taken on this item.

IX. Meeting Minutes Approval

The Commission voted to approve minutes from March 11 and 25, 2021.

No public comments were provided on this item.

A motion was made by Sergio Garcia, seconded by Henry Gage, III, to approve the March 11, 2021 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Marsha Peterson, to approve the March 25, 2021 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0

X. Committee Reports

Representatives from Standing and Ad Hoc Committees provided updates on their work.

Internal Affairs Manual – has discussed the draft manual and intend to hold a community forum on it on April 19th; **Police Chief Goals and Evaluation** – met on March 18th to consider important elements and met with Chief Armstrong on March 23rd to solicit input; a new Ad Hoc Committee was formed – **Inspector General Search** (Jackson, Peterson, Singleton) and the tasks will be to review applications, conduct interviews and background checks, and make recommendations; to date 10 applications have been submitted.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Rashidah Grinage

Assata Olugbala

Saleem Bey

No action was taken on this item.

XI. Open Forum

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Michele Lazaneo

XII. Agenda Setting and Prioritization of Upcoming Agenda Items

The Commission engaged in a working session to discuss and determine agenda items for upcoming Commission meetings: Sloan report; presentation from John Alden on the proposed move of IAD to CPRA; letters of support for police accountability State legislation; and a report from the Missing Persons Policy Ad Hoc Committee.

Comments were provided by the following public speakers:

Saleem Bey

John Bey

Anne Janks

Michele Lazaneo

No action was taken on this item.

XIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by José Dorado, seconded by Marsha Peterson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm in memory of Tatiana Sunshine Dugger. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 0