

MINUTES

Community Police Commission (CPC)

July 8, 2015, 9:00 am – 11:20 am

Seattle Municipal Tower, 16th Floor, Room 1600

CPC Attendees: Lisa Daugaard, co-chair, Rev. Harriett Walden, co-chair, Kay Godefroy, Jay Hollingsworth, Marcel Purnell, Ofc. Kevin Stuckey, Rev. Aaron Williams

CPC Absent: Claudia D'Allegri, Melinda Giovengo, Enrique Gonzalez, David Keenan, Capt. Ron Rasmussen

CPC Staff: Fé Lopez, Minty LongEarth, Tracy Whitlatch

CPC Staff Absent: Anne Bettsworth, Betsy Graef

REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA AND MINUTES / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moved, seconded, and passed (7-0-0): "To approve the 7/8/15 agenda and the amended 7/1/15 CPC Special Meeting minutes, the 6/29/15 CPC Special Meeting Minutes and the 6/24/15 CPC Meeting minutes."

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The CPC went into Executive Session for 45 minutes.

The CPC decided that any effort to organize a joint motion for reconsideration to the Court is not ripe. The Commission will continue to work with the City partners to finalize the accountability legislation package and submit it to the DOJ and the Monitor.

CPC RESPONSE TO MONITOR'S FIFTH SEMIANNUAL REPORT

The CPC will issue a response to the Monitor's Fifth Semiannual Report. The five areas that the CPC will discuss are the Force Review Board, body worn cameras, training, the reference to Sam Walker's paper from the NACOLE conference in February, 2015, and CPC involvement in the upcoming assessments. The Commission may also add a statement regarding its past activities.

Moved, seconded, and passed (7-0-0): "To authorize CPC staff, co-chairs, Jay, Jennifer and Marcel to draft and send a response to the Monitor's fifth semiannual report."

Action Item(s)

WORKGROUP UPDATES

COMBINED TRAINING WORKGROUP

The CPC has been working with SPD on the Bias-Free Policing Supervisors Training. Last week, the CPC received SPD's PowerPoint presentation. CPC feedback is due by the end of July. The CPC will also receive the ISDM from SPD by the end of July. CPC feedback to the ISDM will be due to SPD by mid-August.

DISPARATE IMPACT ANALYSIS

The CPC's consultant, Professor Katherine Beckett, will be attending the next CPC meeting to give a high-level overview of the preliminary Public Consumption Report. The CPC sent the draft report to the DOJ and is expecting feedback from them before the July 22nd CPC meeting.

Professor Beckett is still working on the Obstruction Report.

SPD COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ASSESSMENT WORKGROUP

The SPD Body Camera Pilot has ended. SPOG President reported that this program is subject to Union bargaining and in his opinion, the pilot will not go forward until it has been negotiated in bargaining. He also recommended adding a focus group of officers wearing the body cameras to our surveys. He also shared his concerns with using body cameras. He stated that we must weigh the costs and the benefits. For example, he noted his concern that body cameras may impede the willingness of witnesses to talk to officers.

The CPC plans to submit a letter to SPD listing concerns and asking to be consulted on the program.

Moved, seconded, and passed (8-0-0): "To authorize CPC staff and co-chairs to draft a letter to SPD to ascertain SPD's next steps regarding the body camera program."

Action Item(s)

SPD RESPONSE TO DEMONSTRATIONS

The CPC sent a letter to Chief O'Toole regarding SPD response to post-Ferguson and Black Lives Matter demonstrations in May. The letter proposed a structured dialogue with SPD and the community. As a result of the CPC letter and subsequent meetings, the SPD will consult with a panel of experts ranging from civil rights advocates to police demonstration management experts to review its responses to demonstrations and engage with the community to develop recommendations to the demonstration management policy. The CPC has requested to participate in providing feedback to the demonstration management policy and to review the list of people that SPD is considering.

The CPC and SPD will release a joint statement regarding SPD's response to demonstrations.

OTHER BUSINESS

The CPC will have a table at the upcoming Seafair Pow Wow at Daybreak Star Center Discovery Park. In addition, staff will be attending a reception and Grand Entry on the opening night of Pow Wow.

Co-Chair, Rev. Harriett Walden shared an article written by Bryan Stevenson.

The CPC's Community Engagement and Communications Specialist has set up Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Instagram accounts for the CPC. She encouraged commissioners to like the pages and to share the links with their networks.

Plans for the September CPC newsletter were shared with commissioners. The newsletter will include features on Accountability legislation, SPD body worn cameras, and bias-free policing. The newsletter will also include past and upcoming CPC community engagement activities, a Director's Corner article and a spotlight on Commissioner Enrique Gonzalez.

SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

- CPC staff and co-chairs will draft a response to the Monitor's fifth semiannual report and forward to volunteer commissioners for final review.
- CPC staff and co-chairs will draft a letter to SPD to ascertain SPD's next steps regarding the body camera program.
- The CPC will ask the Office of Civil Rights team to conduct RSJI "Tool Kit" training at an upcoming full CPC meeting.