

**Community Police Commission – Bi-monthly Meeting
December 6, 2023, 9:00am In-Person & Via WebEx Conference Call**

- I. Welcome**
- II. Land Acknowledgement**
- III. Take Attendance**

Present Commissioners: Lars Erickson, Lynne Wilson, Raven Tyler, Rev Harriett Walden, Joel Merkel, Mark Mullens, Anthony Gaedcke, Tascha Johnson, Rev. Patricia Hunter, Phillip Sanchez, Suzette Dickerson

Present Staff: Dani Sullivan, Cali Ellis, Jo-Nathan Thomas, Mergitu Argo, Jessica Phares, Kiesha Cannon

IV. Review Agenda & Minutes

Action: Motion to approve Draft agenda for 12/6/23

Moved: Yes

Seconded: Yes

Approved by voice vote.

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

Action: Motion to approve the minutes from 11/15/23

Moved: Yes

Seconded: Yes

Approved by voice vote.

Opposed: 0

Abstentions: 0

V. Community Police Commission Updates

• Co-Chair Updates

- Confirmation process for CPC Executive Director is complete with Cali Ellis in the position.
- The process to hire a Deputy Director has begun.
- To have an inclusive process for policies in 2024, there was an ask of commissioners to go back to their communities and get input for what they think CPC's top priorities should be in 2024 then have a discussion at the next meeting or in early January.

• Executive Director Updates

- The Communications position is being advertised. Please review and send to those who may be interested.
- Hiring forms for Policy Director have been submitted. Commissioners are encouraged to be part of the process by reviewing resumes or being on interview panel.
- Budget for the city was passed and signed on 12/1/2024.
 - CARE department was given 26.5 million to support development of the work they're doing.

- SPD was given funds to support audio and gunfire technology, CCTV automated license plate readers and something like the AI system Truleo to analyze body-camera video and audio for cues and patterns to monitor office behavior.
- **Commissioner's Workgroup Updates**
 - **Complainant Appeals**
 - Dr. Rosenthal presented white paper last week. He will present findings at an upcoming CPC meeting. There will be one last meeting to discuss his findings to discuss viable options for moving forward.
 - **Police Practices**
 - No updates.
 - **Behavioral Health**
 - Group has not had a meeting for couple of months. A meeting will be scheduled by end of the year.
 - Crisis intervention, training, protocols, de-escalation polices, officer wellness and dual dispatch program are areas group has been asked to look at.
 - Commissioner Lynne Wilson indicated waiting until the CPC prioritizes policies so there is a focus and a difference can be made.
 - Group will give an update at the next meeting.
- **Staff Department Updates**
 - **Policy Staff Updates from American Society of Criminology Conference**
 - Policy staff Jessica Phares and Dani Sullivan attended the [ASC conference](#) and presented on information learned. A link to their presentation can be found [here](#).
- **Legislative Update**
 - Jessica is keeping an eye out for bills that will be dropped or added relevant to CPC work. She attended the WCPA meeting on 12/1/2023 where they discussed bills HB1579, HB1513, HB1445.
 - HB1579 - Establishing a mechanism for independent prosecutions within the office of the attorney general of criminal conduct arising from police use of force. Support is still building for this bill.
 - HB1513 - Improving traffic safety. ACLU has been hosting work group meetings about how to move bill forward from policy and community engagement standpoint also meeting with legislators who can help move it forward.
 - HB1445 - Concerning law enforcement and local corrections agency misconduct through investigations and legal actions.
 - Letter to support bills on organization and individual side are on ACLU's website.
 - The lobbyist hired by CPC is getting meetings for CPC with senators and house members and scheduled a meeting next Wednesday with Senator Ngyuen.

VI. **New Business**

- No new business.

VII. Department Updates

- **City Council**

- Council voted to approve appointment of Cali Ellis as CPC's Executive Director and adopted the 2024 budget in late November.
- Public Safety & Human Services Committee will hold final meeting 12/12 at 9:30 AM to hear an update on the LEAD program.
- CM Herbold term ends in December as she did not pursue reelection.
- Final City Council meeting of 2023 will be 12/12 at 2 PM.
- Next year the new Council will select a President, adopt committee structure and a work program. The committees are established for 2 years and may have slightly new names.
- CM Herbold expresses appreciation and thanks for the work of the CPC.

- **Mayor's Office**

- **Monitoring Team**

- No update.

- **Department of Justice (DOJ)**

- No update.

- **Office of Police Accountability (OPA)**

- **Office of Inspector General (OIG)**

- OIG is working on 2024 work plan.
- Audits and Policy are finalizing reports before end of year.
- Standards and Compliance is still doing interviews and working on FRB assessment.
- Investigations is ready to release Q3 review of OPA classification and should be out next week.

- **Seattle Police Department (SPD)**

- SPD was required to draft a policy on crowd management consistent with less lethal ordinance. It's completed and will be transmitted to the Monitoring Team and DOJ for consideration.

VIII. SPD Relational Policing Presentation

- Dr. Jameelah Cage and Lt. Brandon James presented on SPD's relational policing. The presentation can be found [here](#).

IX. Adjourn