

## August 19, 2021

To:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:

Katherine J. Lee Interim Director of Police Accountability

Re:

Disposition of Council Referral PRJ 0019773 / PRJ 0012451, regarding

training requirements for Police Review Commissioners

This is to inform you of the final disposition of the above-referenced referral, which the Council made to the Police Review Commission (PRC) in October 2018. The referral requested that the PRC establish mandatory training requirements for Police Review Commissioners, with input from the PRC Officer and Chief of Police.

As the former PRC Officer, I and the PRC took preliminary steps to establishing these requirements, but other business took priority, and the mandatory training was never formalized. Training on requested subjects did occur, however, regarding: use of the (then) new body-worn cameras; structure of, and responses by, the City's Mobile Crisis Team; and operation of the Police Department's Special Response Team.

As you are aware, the Police Accountability Board has been established and the Police Review Commission dissolved. The Charter amendment creating the new Board mandates that the Board members receive, within six months of appointment, a minimum of 40 hours of training, in subjects such as the quasi-judicial duties and obligations of the Board; fundamentals of procedures, evidence, and due process; and Police Department operations, policies, practices, and procedures.

The above-referenced referral can now be closed, as the spirit of that referral has been fulfilled through the training mandated for members of the Police Accountability Board, the successor agency to the Police Review Commission.

cc: Mark Numainville, City Clerk