



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
OF POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY

Katherine J. Lee

POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
(approved)

Wednesday, May 25, 2022, 7:00 P.M.

No physical location; meeting held exclusively through videoconference and teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL BY CHAIR CHANG AT 7:02 P.M.

Present: Board Member Michael Chang (Chair)
Board Member Kitty Calavita (arr. 7:10 pm)
Board Member Regina Harris
Board Member Juliet Leftwich
Board Member Deborah Levine
Board Member John Moore
Board Member Cheryl Owens
Board Member Ismail Ramsey

Absent: Board Member Nathan Mizell

ODPA Staff: Katherine J. Lee, Interim Director of Police Accountability

BPD Staff: Lt. Melanie Turner, Lt. Dan Montgomery

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda.
Moved/Second (Harris/Leftwich) **Motion Carried by general consent**

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

5 speakers.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular meeting of May 11, 2022.
Motion to approve Regular Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2022
Moved/Second (Calavita/Harris) **Motion Carried by general consent.**

5. CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Chair Chang asked for a moment of silence to remember victims of recent mass shootings.

Board member Calavita had no report on Police Chief Search.

6. DIRECTOR OF POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY'S REPORT

The Interim Director reported:

- Input on selection of next Police Chief sought via online survey; deadline May 30 at 5:00 pm.
- 2 new complaints filed since the last meeting.
- Council's consideration of change to policy on warrantless searches of those on supervised release was postponed to July 12 after public comment received; Board member Calavita spoke on behalf of PAB.
- BPD's new Transparency Hub launched today.
- Board members could contact Councilmembers about supporting PAB budget.

7. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT

Lt. Turner reported on behalf of Interim Chief Louis:

- Currently 152 sworn; which is no change from prior report.
- Next quarterly update on Fair & Impartial Policing will be on Council's June 14 agenda; Chief will share with Director this week.
- Transparency Hub launched today. Has data on Calls For Service, Use of Force, and RIPA reporting. Part of BPD's increased emphasis on data and analysis, as data transparency is a foundational piece of police department's legitimacy and community trust.
- June 1 begins month-long recognition of Pride Month; employees authorized to wear rainbow pin to show support for LGBTQIA+ community members and employees.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (discussion and action)

Report of activities and meeting scheduling for all Subcommittees, possible appointment of new members to all Subcommittees, and additional discussion and action as noted for specific Subcommittees:

- a. Fair & Impartial Policing Implementation – Chair Calavita: met May 19 with Transportation Commissioner Liza Lutzker, and Sgt. Lee and Ofc. LeDoux re 3-pronged approach to traffic enforcement.
- b. Director Search – Chair Levine: met yesterday and will meet with Deputy City Manager LaTanya Bellow on Friday and get report on process of narrowing candidates and next steps. Would like PAB to communicate desire to be part of the selection process.
- c. Regulations – Chair Chang: met May 4. Review of draft upcoming – Item #10.a.

- d. Controlled Equipment – Board member Moore - met May 17, May 23. Heavy lift. Capt. Rolleri and Sgt. Lee participated

9. OLD BUSINESS (discussion and action)

- a. Continue review of commendations of Berkeley Police Dept. personnel; review draft letter commending specific officers for repeated praise, and consider commendation for reserve officers.

Motion to provide special recognition to our reserve officers for longevity and service to the Police Department and the community.

Moved/Second (Harris/Owens) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Calavita, Chang, Harris, Leftwich, Moore, Owens.

Noes: None

Abstain: Ramsey, Levine

Absent: Mizell

By general consent, the Board approved a letter of expressing that the Board was impressed by the packet of commendations showing high professionalism on the part of BPD officers.

- b. Consider forming Outreach Subcommittee.
Postponed to the next meeting.
- c. Consider forming Lexipol Policies Subcommittee.
Postponed to the next meeting.

10. NEW BUSINESS (discussion and action)

- a. Review draft of proposed permanent Regulations for Handling Investigations and Complaints.

Discussed; to be continued at a special meeting.

- b. Consider having a booth at the Berkeley Juneteenth Festival on Sunday, June 19, 2022.

By general consent, the Board agree to have a booth at the Berkeley Juneteenth Festival on June 19, 2022.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

3 speakers.

Closed Session

Pursuant to the Court's order in *Berkeley Police Association v. City of Berkeley, et al.*, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 2002 057569, the Board will recess into closed session to discuss and s action on the following matter(s):

12. TENTATIVE AND FINAL DECISIONS IN COMPLAINTS #1 AND #3

Discussed.

End of Closed Session

13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

Chair Chang announced that no reportable action was taken during closed session.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved/Second (Leftwich/Owens) **By general consent, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.**