



**POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2025
6:45 PM**

Board Members

Joshua Cayetano (Chair)	Leah Wilson (Vice-Chair)
Kitty Calavita	Juliet Leftwich
David Williams	Randy Wells
Macharia Edmonds	Joshua Buswell-Charkow

MEETING LOCATION

Office of the Director of Police Accountability
1900 Addison Street, Floor 3
Berkeley, CA 94704

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL (1 MINUTES)

Present:	Board Member Joshua Cayetano (Chair)
	Board Member Leah Wilson (Vice Chair)
	Board Member Buswell-Charkow
	Board Member Kitty Calavita
	Board Member Juliet Leftwich
	Board Member Randy Wells
Absent:	Board Member David Williams
	Board Member Macharia Edmonds ¹
ODPA Staff:	Hansel Aguilar, Director of Police Accountability
	Syed Mehdi, Data Analyst
	Jose Murillo, Policy Analyst
	Daniel Weinberg, Investigative Clerk
BPD Staff:	Lt. Bonaventure

¹ Leave of Absence

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda.

Moved/Second (Leftwich/Wilson) Motion carried.

Ayes: Buswell-Charkow, Calavita, Cayetano, Leftwich, Wells, and Wilson.

Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Edmonds and Williams.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (TBD)

0 Physically Present Speakers

1 Virtually Present Speakers

4. CLOSED SESSION (45 MINUTES)

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

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 act on the following matter(s):

- a. **Discussion and action on ODPA Complaint Number 2025-CI-0010 (ODPA)**
– (15 Minutes)

Motion to accept the ODPA's findings in ODPA Complaint Number 2025-CI-0010.

Moved/Second (Cayetano/Wilson) Motion carried.

Ayes: Buswell-Charkow, Calavita, Leftwich, Wells, and Wilson.

Noes: Cayetano. Abstain: None. Absent: Edmonds and Williams.

- b. **Discussion and action on ODPA Complaint Number 2025-CI-0011 (ODPA)**
– (15 Minutes)

Motion to administratively close ODPA Complaint Number 2025-CI-0011.

Moved/Second (Wilson/Leftwich) Motion carried.

Ayes: Buswell-Charkow, Calavita, Leftwich, Wells, and Wilson.

Noes: Cayetano. Abstain: None. Absent: Edmonds and Williams.

- c. **Discussion and action on ODPA Complaint Number 2025-CI-0020 (ODPA)**

No action was taken by the PAB. Director Aguilar provided status updates on the case.

END OF CLOSED SESSION

5. CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS (10 MINUTES)

The Chair and Board Members provide updates on their activities since the previous meeting, with Chair Cayetano offering specific updates on surveillance technology recently adopted by the Council, which incorporated some of the PAB's recommendations.

6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE 2024 PAB-ODPA ANNUAL REPORT (ODPA)

ODPA staff presented an overview of the 2024 ODPA-PAB Annual Report. PAB members asked questions and provided feedback for staff to incorporate. The related discussion is available at 00:15:00 – 01:01:00 in the meeting recording.²

Motion to approve the 2024 Annual Report, delegating to staff the authority to make technical corrections and additional edits consistent with the Board's discussion as deemed appropriate by the Director.

Moved/Second (Wilson/Cayetano) Motion carried.

Ayes: Calavita, Cayetano, Leftwich, Wells, and Wilson.

Noes: None. Abstain: Buswell-Charkow. Absent: Edmonds and Williams.

7. FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BMC 2.100 "POLICE EQUIPMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ORDINANCE" (Cayetano)

Chair Cayetano updates the PAB on the City Council's Public Safety Policy Committee's actions and decisions regarding the proposed rescission of the Police Equipment and Community Safety Ordinance,³ as discussed at their July 21, 2025 regular meeting.⁴

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

0 Physically Present Speakers

0 Virtually Present Speakers

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn. Moved/Second (Leftwich/Cayetano). The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm by unanimous consent.

² PAB August 7, 2025 Special Meeting: <https://youtu.be/Co3zdZshodU?si=NDMQqAqzKWDjJSdM&t=936>

³ BMC 2.100 Police Equipment and Community Safety Ordinance: <https://berkeley.municipal.codes/BMC/2.100>

⁴ July 21, 2025 Public Safety Policy Committee Meeting: <https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/legislative-body-meeting-minutes/2025-07-21%20Annotated%20Agenda%20Public%20Safety.pdf>