



**City of Davis**  
**Police Accountability Commission Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 7, 2019**

Commission Members: Mary C. Bliss, Sean Brooks, Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald, Dillan Horton (Vice Chair), Abram Jones, Elaine Kahan, William Kelly, Judith MacBrine (Chair), Keisha Liggett-Nichols (Alternate), Vacant (ASUCD Representative)

Council Liaisons: Gloria Partida, Lucas Frerichs

Staff: Kelly Stachowicz, Assistant City Manager

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**1. Call to Order**

*Chairperson MacBrine called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.*

*Commissioners Present: Bliss, Brooks, Horton, Jones, Kahan, Kelly, MacBrine,  
Commissioners Absent: Escamilla-Greenwald, Liggett-Nichols*

**2. Approval of Agenda**

*Horton moved, with a second by Brooks, approval of the agenda. Motion passed with the following vote:*

*AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Horton, Jones, Kahan, Kelly, MacBrine,*

*NOES: None*

*ABSENT: Escamilla-Greenwald, Liggett-Nichols*

**3. Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Liaisons**

**A. Sound System and Meeting Venue**

*Stachowicz provided an update on the limitations of the sound system update. There is an option to switch meeting venues to the Community Chambers, which has a built in sound system, but it requires changing meeting nights. Staff will send a doodle poll to the commission.*

**B. Status of UC Davis Student Commissioner Appointment**

*Stachowicz reported out that staff have contacted ASUCD again to ask about a student commissioner to fill the existing vacancy.*

**C. Commissioner Attendance**

*Stachowicz explained the attendance requirements/expectations for commissioners.*

**4. Public Comment**

- *Robert Canning – Shared a memo drafted to the City Council. The Surveillance Tech Ordinance Group offered comments. (Read from memo). Current process does not allow enough time for review and comment or make use of PAC. Would like PAC to have on schedule and agenda in the future.*

- *Don Sherman – Asked about minutes on the website. Mayor Lee said there would be liaison between commission and police chief.*
- *Elaine North – Complaints related to teenage son and his behavior. Received no help from the Police Department and received report that police found no misconduct in her case but they didn't reach out to anyone. Concerned this was not a fair investigation.*

## **5. Consent Items**

### **A. Approval of Minutes – October 3, 2019 Meeting**

*MacBrine noted, under the 6<sup>th</sup> bullet under question from commissioners – is there training on MacBrine moved, with second by Horton, approval of the minutes with change to 6<sup>th</sup> bullet under question from commissioners (Is there training on...)*

*Motion passed by the following vote:*

*AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Horton, Jones, Kahan, Kelly, MacBrine,*

*NOES: None*

*ABSENT: Escamilla-Greenwald, Liggett-Nichols*

## **6. Regular Items**

### **A. November 17<sup>th</sup> Community Meeting (30 minutes)**

*Kelly: Subcommittee met with Police Chief and Deputy Chief, along with Sandy Holman. Noted meeting went well. Shared proposed plans and schedule for Community Meeting with Commission. Community Meeting will have 3 parts: Holman will provide introduction, show video, and determine ground rules. Police Chief will give statement about working together and will leave. There will be an overview of the Commission, with an introduction of each commissioner and an overview from Gennaco, with a chance to ask questions. At the conclusion, the Police Chief may be asked to return and hear what people are thinking.*

*Community Discussion: Explain what commission is and what should it do. Share ideas about future. Hopefully, people will want to get involved. Ask what should work of Commission be. Try to find something that police are doing right, so we're not just looking at how police are "wrong."*

*Commission discussed outreach to the community for the event. Staff will provide supplies for the meeting and check regarding translation services. Staff can also take some photos at the meeting. Commission wants to make sure meeting is accessible.*

*Meeting will also include information (PowerPoint presentation) from Procedures Subcommittee*

*Jones moved, with second by Kelly, to authorize Subcommittee Outreach members to work with staff on pamphlet/flyer. Motion passed by the following vote:*

*AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Horton, Jones, Kahan, Kelly, MacBrine,*

*NOES: None*

*ABSENT: Escamilla-Greenwald, Liggett-Nichols*

*Horton moved, with a second by Kahan, to approve moving forward with a flyer, with changes. Motion passed with the following vote:*

*AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Horton, Jones, Kahan, Kelly, MacBrine,*

*NOES: None*

*ABSENT: Escamilla-Greenwald, Liggett-Nichols*

## **B. Subcommittee Reports**

The PAC subcommittees will report on work to date.

1. Outreach Subcommittee (Horton, Kahan, Kelly, Escamilla-Greenwald)  
*(Handled in the previous discussion.)*  
*Horton suggested that a delegation of commissioners have a regular follow up with Chief (monthly or quarterly)*  
*Partida suggested the group decide about the purpose of meeting first and perhaps consider asking for a liaison from PAC to Chief's Advisory Board?*

*Public Comment:*

- *Don Sherman: Important for Chief to meet with PAC members to increase the trust. Maybe have a meeting between subcommittee and Mayor Lee.*

2. Procedures Subcommittee (Bliss, Brooks, Kahan)  
*Brooks shared the powerpoint presentation on Community Engagement with Police. Commission provided input on the powerpoint.*  
*Partida: Be prepared to answer the question about "what happens next."*  
*Bliss asked for goals for next year so that they could be included in the workplan.*  
*The Commission can have a discussion on this at a future meeting.*

*Public Comment:*

- *ME Gladdis – Concerned about how the Police Department treats people of color.*
- *Melina Kahan – No one knows the School Resource Officers (SROs) exist except the kids who are in trouble. Schools should do more to notify students that SROs on campus*
- *Annemarie Soika – Presentation allows for conversation. If asking for public input, just provide the information.*

3. Mental Health Issues Subcommittee (Bliss, Escamilla-Greenwald, Kahan, MacBrine) – *No update*
4. City/UC Davis Police Relations Subcommittee (Horton, Jones)  
*Jones – Attended the most recent UC Davis Police Accountability meeting at the Sacramento campus. Can't attend the entire meeting but a couple of members of that Board wanted to come to PAC meeting.*
5. Traffic Stop Data Subcommittee (Brooks, Escamilla-Greenwald, Kelly, MacBrine) – *No update*

## **C. Police Auditor Update**

*Gennaco explained SB 978. This bill was passed by recommendation of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Task Force on Policing. Requires all police policies and procedures online, which Davis Police Department has already done. Also references training and educational*

*materials, which are not currently all online. No guidance yet to what types of training materials must be online. Including the training curriculum would likely be incorporated.*

*Noted he has received a couple of new complaints that he is investigating.*

*Stachowicz reported that auditor's report (on investigations over the past year) has not yet been cleared for public release. Discussion ensued about the investigation reports. Commission wants reports to come out, doesn't understand why they are not getting them. Gennaco and Stachowicz explained the structure of the reports, and that full reports are included.*

*Commission discussed whether batching the reports or seeing individual reports as they are completed is preferable. Commission would like to see a policy that City Council approves about how the report are released. Commission consensus is that reports should be made available when they are complete and that, in addition, if City wants to batch them once or twice a year to look at trends, that is fine.*

*Public Comment:*

- *Robert Canning – Best to see reports as they come out and then annual report to summarize.*

*Commission Discussion:*

*Commissioners want to know: when first packet be available and posted on website and when there will be clarity on how releases will take place in the future. Commission asked for explanation from staff if there is not a release by the next Commission meeting. Discussion about whether to talk with the City Manager and/or the Police Department about the process.*

*Gennaco – Davis is putting out a lot of information that other cities are not putting out. How is it most effective to push this information out to the public? This first one will be an historic event and should be handled thoughtfully.*

## **7. Future Agenda Items/Long Range Calendar**

*Requests for future agenda items included the following:*

- *New chair (January)*
- *Surveillance (March)*
- *Debrief of November Community event (December)*
- *Workplan in December and/or January*
- *Joint Discussion with Council planning*
- *Traffic stop discussion from department*

## **8. Adjourn**

*Horton moved, with second by Kelly, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.*