



**Police Accountability Commission Meeting
Minutes
Monday, December 7, 2020**

Commissioners Present: Mary C. Bliss (Vice Chair), Sean Brooks, Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald, Dillan Horton (Chair), Abram Jones, Elaine Kahan, Judith MacBrine, Don Sherman
Commissioners Absent: None
Council Liaisons Present: None
Others Present: Kelly Stachowicz, Mike Gennaco, Carrie Dyer

1. Call to Order

Horton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Sherman moved with second by Jones approval of the agenda. Motion passed as follows:

*AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Jones, Kahan, MacBrine,
Sherman*

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

3. Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners, and Liaisons (10 minutes)

- Stachowicz updated on two new appointments to the PAC that will be effective on January 1, 2021. Commissioner Brooks is resigning from the commission. There will be one more seat available, with the removal of the designated UC Davis seat. The position will be an alternate position.*
- Stachowicz updated on the City Council item of Public Health and Safety improvements that began at their meeting on December 1, taking public comment. Discussion will continue at the next meeting on December 15.*
- Horton – Yolo People Power, ACLU, and Indivisible Yolo, International House and Davis Phoenix Coalition will be hosting a workshop on the nine recommendations made to City Council from the subcommittee.*

4. Public Comment

- Francesca Wright – Invite to community conversation on work of the subcommittee and the recommendations. More information will follow.*

5. Consent Items

A. Approval of Minutes – November 2, 2020 Meeting

Escamilla-Greenwald moved with second by Sherman approval of the meeting minutes from November 2, 2020. The motion passed as follows:

*AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Jones, Kahan, MacBrine,
Sherman*

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

6. Regular Items (30 Minutes)

A. Review of Revised Authorizing Resolution. *The City Council approved a revised Authorizing Resolution for the Commission on November 17. The PAC subcommittee prepared a draft and it was reviewed and edited by the Commission, prior to moving to Council for approval.*

Public Comment: *None*

B. Review of Independent Police Auditor. *One of the annual tasks of the Commission is to provide a review of the police auditor and his work with the commission. A subcommittee was created to address this and provided a draft annual review for the commission to discuss.*

Ideas to add:

- *Add that review will be done at a designated specific time each year.*
- *Include a running of how his time is utilized so that PAC is aware and engages him in a way that makes the best use of his time*
- *Gennaco suggests some areas of where he could be of more assistance and would like be able to do this within his current contract.*
- *Incorporate the annual review into an existing subcommittee*

Public Comment:

- *Lupita Torres – Concern over last minute edits and review of document and if recommendations will be changed.*
- *Morgan Poindexter – Concurs with suggestions that MacBrine proposed*

Horton moved with second by Sherman to approve the draft review of IAP and task subcommittee to bring back recommendations for increased engagement between PAC and auditor. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Jones, Kahan, MacBrine, Sherman

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

7. Police Auditor Update

Independent Police Auditor Michael Gennaco:

- A. Provided an update on Auditor activities to the PAC, including updates on current projects. Working with a complainant that may be interested in moving into restorative justice process.*
- B. Provided information and background on the Peace Officers Bill of Rights.*

Public Comment:

- *Connor Gorman – Encourage restorative process if people are interested, but respect when people don't want to. Be aware of power dynamic. Dismantle systems of oppression.*
- *Lupita Torres – Justice requires systemic change. Surveillance is important to take seriously.*
- *Robert Canning – Clarification on Peace Officers Bill of Rights question. Is process for investigation different if law has been broken*
- *Morgan Poindexter – Suggests that commission take advantage of some of the suggestions that Gennaco made in regards to further work he does. No mention of canine usage on City website.*

8. Subcommittee Reports

- A. **Joint Subcommittee with Social Services and Human Relations – Improvements to Public Health and Safety** (Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, MacBrine, Sherman) The Subcommittee reported out on the December 1 City Council discussion around this topic and stated that the Council will continue the item on December 15.
- B. **Outreach** (Horton, MacBrine, Escamilla-Greenwald, Sherman)
No update
- C. **Davis Police Department Policy/Procedure** (Horton, Kahan, Escamilla-Greenwald, Brooks)
No update
- D. **Mental Health** (MacBrine, Kahan, Bliss, Escamilla-Greenwald)
Working to continue learning about mental health system and where gaps are.
- E. **Police Accountability Commission and UC Davis Relations** (Jones, MacBrine)
Subcommittee attends public meetings. Jones asked to join new group called Davis Citizens for transparency in City Government with goal of improving transparency in governance.

Public Comment:

- Connor Gorman – 1st recommendation is directly related to PAC and hopes that PAC will take it on, eliminate racial disparities, what are causes of harmful behaviors in society and how do we address that.
- Morgan Poindexter – Community Outreach to address the points and help understand all sides more fully.
- Lupita Torres – Examine why racial disparity exists in stops in Davis. Agrees to idea of making 2021 as a year to focus on mental health. Divert mental health crisis calls when appropriate is beneficial to all, including police officers.

9. Future Agenda Item Requests/Long Range Calendar

- Homeless Outreach Coordinator
- Create a person or subcommittee to respond to requests for more information about PAC, etc. and report back at meetings
- Follow up item on Council discussion on Public Health and Safety Improvements
- Auditor review follow up

Public Comment:

- Connor Gorman – Policing laws, but not from police. Reconsider recommendations around authorizing resolution and having student representative is important.
- Lupita Torres – Reconsider having UC Davis seat re-implemented.
- Morgan Poindexter – Would like to be considered for alternate position.

Horton provided update on removal of designated UC Davis seat, and stated that it can be filled with anyone, student or otherwise.

10. Adjourn

Jones moved, seconded by Sherman to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Bliss, Brooks, Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Jones, Kahan, MacBrine, Sherman

NOES: None