



City of Davis

**Police Accountability Commission Meeting Minutes  
Monday, February 1, 2021**

*Commissioners Present: Ignacio Alarcon, Mary C. Bliss (Vice Chair), Robert Canning, Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald, Dillan Horton (Chair), Abram Jones, Elaine Kahan, Judith MacBrine, Don Sherman \*Horton unavailable during middle part of meeting*

*Commissioners Absent: None*

*Council Liaisons Present: Mayor Partida, Councilmember Chapman*

*Others Present: Stachowicz, Machado, Gennaco, Dyer*

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Approval of Agenda**

*Escamilla-Greenwald moved with second by Alarcon approval of the agenda. Motion passed as follows:*

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

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: None*

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

- Council liaisons are Mayor Partida and Councilmember Chapman*
- Horton – February is Black History Month and would like commission to take a minute to recognize Black leaders within the community and out.*
- Recognition of Brinley Award Members – Jann Murray-Garcia and Anoosh Jorjorian*
- Escamilla-Greenwald – Recognize the work of Jann Murray Garcia in our community. Thank you to Horton for the work in the community*

**4. Public Comment**

- Neil – Strong supporter of democracy in regards to Gandhi statue in Central Park and encourages finding middle ground. Advocate for democracy.*

**5. Consent Items**

**A. Approval of Minutes – January 6, 2021 Meeting**

*Escamilla – Greenwald moved and Canning seconded approval of the minutes from January 6, 2021 as presented. Motion passed as follows:*

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

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

ABSENT: None

## 6. Regular Items (60 Minutes)

**A. Presentation: Homelessness Response** – Deputy Director of Police Services Deanne Machado presented to the Commission on City response efforts related to homelessness. The presentation included information on current staffing, the service model, primary partners and direct services.

### Commissioner Questions/Comments

- Vaccine rollout for people with homelessness and how that will be handled.
  - Communicare will help
- Would like to know number of homeless people in Davis and age range.
  - Last count in 2019 was 190 for sheltered and unsheltered. Demographic info to follow. People on the street are primarily 30-50 range. Anecdotally, there are lots of newer people in town.
- How was storm support provided?
  - Field staff were out working to connect with people, one at a time to try and assess what they needed.
- How do you interface with Davis Community Meals, etc.
  - They are part of the Yolo Continuum of Care.
- Annual report from team will be coming out next week with detailed info on number of calls a day.
- Is team notified if people receive services and may take a few steps back so that outreach can be done again?
  - There is connection among agencies and partner sharing information.
- Find ways to create safety nets.
  - Specific case management meetings with representatives with all partnership agencies are regularly held.
- Would like comparison of Cahoots program with what we are currently doing.
- Confirmation that in addition to three staff, that the Deputy Director spends more than ½ her time working on homelessness programs, funding, issues, etc.

### Public Comment

No comment

**B. 2021 Workplan and Subcommittees** – The Commission reviewed its 2020 Workplan and determined whether to make any changes for the 2021 plan. The Commission also reviewed subcommittees.

- Discussion to change subcommittee of Police Accountability Commission and UCD Board from a subcommittee to having the two members update as commissioners of interest.
- Update workplan to specify that outreach to UCD is in regards to the Police Accountability Board.

- *Delete PAC charter update, as completed last year.*
- *Outline mental health services in the community and tie them policing and then compare what we are doing to other program/communities.*
- *Continue to participate in reimagining public safety process, with direction from Council*
- *Consideration of having commission participation in anti-bias training, identify what is benefit of having commissioners take part. Would it make more sense to have PD review their outcome from the anti-bias training they have received.*
- *Understand scope of current mental health training for DPD staff, both sworn and non-sworn and develop recommendations for improvements.*
- *Complete survey of mental health services and training – what do we have and how does it compare to other agencies*
- *Understand recruitment and hiring process of DPD with eye toward diversity and the hiring and re-hiring of folks who have had investigations in other agencies, etc. Look at complaint history. Include looking at retention as well. (Chief will be presenting next month and may be able to address much of this).*
- *Zoom meetings with faith communities*
- *Assess RIPA data to have equitable outcomes with police department*
- *Understand how neighborhood watch groups are trained and how to help them understand bias by proxy.*
- *Surveillance Technology*
- *Outreach to public. Work on ways to get information out*
- *Review DPD policies and practices*

*Sherman moved with second by Escamilla-Greenwald for Canning to create a document that will be ranked by commissioners for interest and time commitment available. The motion passed as follows:*

*AYES: Alarcon, Bliss, Canning Escamilla-Greenwald, Jones, Kahan, MacBrine, Sherman*  
*NOES: None*  
*ABSTAIN: None*  
*ABSENT: Horton*

**Public Comment**

- *None*

*Canning moved with second by Escamilla-Greenwald to extend the meeting to 9:00 p.m. Motion passed as follows:*

*AYES: Alarcon, Bliss, Canning Escamilla-Greenwald, Jones, Kahan, MacBrine, Sherman*  
*NOES: None*  
*ABSTAIN: None*  
*ABSENT: Horton*

**7. Police Auditor Update (10 minutes)**

- *Independent Police Auditor Michael Gennaco provided an update on Auditor activities to the PAC. There is another case moving through the Restorative Justice process.*
- *Would like to work with subcommittee prior to next meeting.*

**Public Comment:**

*None*

**8. Subcommittee Reports**

- A. Outreach (Horton, MacBrine, Escamilla-Greenwald, Sherman) – no update*
- B. Davis Police Department Policy/Procedure (Horton, Kahan, Escamilla-Greenwald) – no update*
- C. Mental Health (MacBrine, Kahan, Bliss, Escamilla-Greenwald) – no update*
- D. Police Accountability Commission and UC Davis Board (Jones, MacBrine)  
Community Wide Book Project – Meeting on February 15  
Feb. 17 will be attending UCD Police Accountability Board meeting*
- E. Audit Committee (Bliss, Horton, Sherman) – no update*

**Public Comment:**

*None*

**9. Future Agenda Item Requests/Long Range Calendar**

- *Suggestion to have presentations scheduled for longer period of time*
- *Presentation on recruitment and hiring should be for one hour to include for q&a, plus public comment*

**Public Comment:**

- *Marilee Eusebio – Reminder that the Chief asked for specifics for next presentation*
- *Lupita Torres – Brochure or pamphlet for distribution with information available on PAC and the work they do, history, etc.*

**10. Adjourn –**

*Jones moved with second by MacBrine to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion passed as follows:*

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

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: None*