



City of Davis
Police Accountability Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 10, 2023

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Commissioner Canning called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Commissioners Present: Robert Canning (Chair), Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald (Vice-Chair), Dillan Horton, Logan Legg, Don Sherman,

Commissioners Absent: Mary C. Bliss, Elizabeth Griswold (Alternate), John Myers

Others Present: Assistant City Manager Kelly Stachowicz, Police Auditor Michael Gennaco City Councilmember Gloria Partida

2. Approval of Agenda

Escamilla-Greenwald moved, with a second by Legg, approval of the agenda.

Motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Canning, Escamilla-Greenwald, Legg, Sherman

NOES: None

ABSENT: Bliss, Horton, Myers

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

- Stachowicz: Council changed the size of the commission from 9 regular members to 7 regular members. A quorum is now 4 members and subcommittees cannot be larger than 3 members.*
- Stachowicz: The Council has appointed a new Alternate, Elizabeth Griswold. She will start at the September meeting.*
- Stachowicz: Commissioner Myers submitted written comment to the Commission. (Handout)*

4. Public Comment

None

A. Consent Calendar - Commission Minutes June 5, 2023

Sherman moved, with a second by Escamilla-Greenwald, approval of the June minutes. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Canning, Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Legg, Sherman

NOES: None

ABSENT: Bliss, Myers

5. Police Auditor Update

A. Current Caseload Update

Gennaco provided updates on Auditor activities. Discussed article shared with Commission regarding a southern CA case. Made progress on case log and has approval from Police Chief regarding the draft cases. Next step will be to go to City Manager and City Attorney before finalizing and posting reports.

Canning: Some cases seem small. How does process work?

Gennaco: Suggested alternative dispute resolution but complainant didn't want to, so did a full investigation.

B. Updates on any new legislation affecting law enforcement

Gennaco: New laws on July 1 include the following:

- Firearms Industry Responsibility Act – puts more responsibility on gun manufacturers and dealers. If gun buyer appears abnormally dangerous, they are not supposed to sell gun. Prohibits other high risk individuals.*
- Sealing Criminal Records Act – certain crimes not eligible but this law doesn't require proactive request from individual. If eligible, will be expunged.*
- AB 2960 – Allows someone to file for restraining order online.*
- AB 2043 – regulations on bounty hunters requiring training and licensing*
- Juneteenth is now a state holiday.*

Discussion:

Horton: important to allow convicted individuals back into society. What is update with State's efforts for conceal carry fixes to legislation? (No update.)

Canning: People on parole have a difficult time reintegrating into society. Suggested that training programs for specific high-demand jobs are helpful.

Sherman: Number of cases pending with Auditor – what kind of compilation made with reports received from Chief? Any pattern with complaints? Would like to see a summary of each case and a tally of cases.

Gennaco: People in Davis complain about customer service, almost exclusively. Things like rudeness, feel like police didn't do something, etc.) DPD doesn't rely only on the four corners of what the civilian is complaining about. Will look for other areas for improvement to ensure accountability, which is something not typically seen in other departments. Number of complaints is fairly typical for a city of Davis' size.

6. Regular Items

A. Public Outreach Meeting Discussion

*Commission discussed topic: consensus to have meeting re property crimes
Consensus to have meeting on weekday evening. Late October, but avoid
October 19, UCD conflicts and other major conflicts.*

Subcommittee: Mary Bliss, Escamilla-Greenwald

Discussion included:

- *Theft issues might include catalytic converters, mail, bikes, porch pirates, etc.*
- *Would like to have the Deputy Chief available. Stachowicz said Chief would have staff person who oversees neighborhood watch attend, etc.*
- *Would be interested in asking someone from Chamber or DDBA to attend.*
- *Representative of successful neighborhood watch group.*
- *Apartment version of neighborhood watch group (Crime Free Multi Housing Program)*
- *Would there be a student group interested in participating in theft/property crime?*
- *Interest in a facilitator but think through what group wants in a facilitator.. Canning will share names. Need to have a facilitator who can deal with conflict.*

Horton moved, with second by Sherman, to ask subcommittee to work with staff to finalize date, location, presenters, etc. Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Canning, Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Legg, Sherman

NOES: None

ABSENT: Bliss, Myers

No public comment.

7. Subcommittee and Liaison Assignment Updates

- A. Subcommittee on Challenges in Police Hiring Audit – (Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Myers) –Gennaco: meeting will be rescheduled to a later date*
- B. Subcommittee on Local Voices Outreach (Escamilla-Greenwald, Horton, Legg) Escamilla-Greenwald: interest in tabling at Farmers Market, likely a Saturday and once students return.*

8. Long Range Calendar: Upcoming Meeting Dates and/or Potential Agenda Items

*Discussion about possible items for upcoming meeting(s) –
Would like a DPD Co-Responder Model/Policy*

Ask Chief to come to October PAC meeting (co-responder, clinicians, mental health for officers, flash bangs, etc.)

Mental health of officers – Robert has three names of people interested in trauma that officers go through. Perhaps they could come and make a presentation? Consensus that this would be interesting. Canning will talk with Robb Davis.

Sherman: would like numbers of flash bangs used over past year.

9. Adjournment

Horton moved, with a second by Sherman to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm
