

City of Richmond - Reimagining Public Safety Community Task Force
Meeting held via Zoom: https://richmond.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=38

MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020, 5:30 PM

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I. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - AGENDA REVIEW

Meeting called to order by Johann Fragd at 5:30 PM.

PRESENT: L. Chacon, Gosney, R. Joseph, D. Joseph, Kilian-Lobos, A. Lee, Leslie, Mangels, Pulido, Small, Soto, Syon, Tucker, Walker, Williams

ABSENT: E. Chacon, J. Lee, Njissang, Schlemmer, Therriault, Whitmore

II. MEETING PROCEDURES

III. APPROVE OCTOBER 28, 2020 AND NOVEMBER 12, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve the October 28, 2020 minutes by R. Joseph; seconded by Tucker; approved by the following vote:

Ayes: L. Chacon, R. Joseph, Kilian-Lobos, Leslie, Small, Syon, Tucker, Walker, Williams

Noes: None

Abstentions: Gosney, D. Joseph, A. Lee, Mangels, Pulido, Soto

Absent: E. Chacon, J. Lee, Njissang, Schlemmer, Therriault, Whitmore

Motion to approve the November 12, 2020 minutes by R. Joseph; seconded by L. Chacon; approved by the following vote:

Ayes: L. Chacon, R. Joseph, Kilian-Lobos, Leslie, Pulido, Small, Soto, Syon, Tucker, Walker, Williams

Noes: None

Abstentions: Gosney, D. Joseph, A. Lee, Mangels

Absent: E. Chacon, J. Lee, Njissang, Schlemmer, Therriault, Whitmore

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Carole Johnson asked if the public has the opportunity to comment beyond the Public Comment period, such as after the presentations and other agenda items.
2. Sara Cantor noted that there is derailing of the conversations into conversations about procedures, and recommended the task force adopt Robert's Rules of Order so that there is less stalling about procedural questions.

V. STAFF REPORTS

1. Oral report by Johann Fragd.
2. Oral report by Timothy Simmons.

VI. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSIONS, & ACTION ITEMS

1. Presentation by Community Police Review Commission (CPRC) - Oscar Garcia
 - a. Member Comment

- D. Joseph asked about vacancies on the commission and about complaints that are filed when there are vacancies on the commissions.
 - Soto noted that the multiple levels of review of CPRC recommendations prior to submission to City Council have led to problems, asked about effects of parallel investigations between CPRC and Office of Professional Accountability (OPA), commented that retired law enforcement should be prohibited from being investigators, asked whether CPRC has asked the City Council to expand the scope of issues that it can undertake, and suggested CPRC uses KCRT to share information about filing complaints.
 - Small recommended that CPRC share information to neighborhood councils and social media.
 - Williams asked about term limits for CPRC members.
- b. Public Comment
- Eli Moore asked whether CPRC receives a copy of all complaints filed with OPA.
 - Carole Johnson asked what happens when the CPRC makes recommendations to the police chief and the recommendations are not followed in a timely manner or are ignored.
- c. *Staff to follow up and provide further information, via e-mail or staff report at next meeting, on the following items: none. Staff responded to all other items not noted for follow up.*
2. Presentation by Office of Neighborhood Safety (ONS) - Sam Vaughn, Program Manager
- a. Member Comment
- Leslie asked about the core focuses of ONS and about case management.
 - Syon asked how youth can learn more about ONS.
 - Kilian-Lobos asked what ONS would do if they had more funding.
 - Soto asked if ONS plans to have a parallel program geared towards women.
 - Walker commented that ONS has saved the City millions of dollars and has saved families a lot of pain and suffering.
 - Williams asked about field attire for ONS staff; age group of fellows; and whether ONS shares the identities of fellows with the police.
- b. Public Comment
- Marco Lemus thanked ONS, requested ONS to share data, noted that ONS is doing a lot of great work and can be a role model to the whole world, and asked how many people work at ONS and how they are hired.
 - Carole Johnson thanked ONS, shared hopes that ONS will get more than 1% of the City budget. and asked for the presentation to be made public.
 - Sara Cantor thanked ONS, commented that the success of ONS can be attributed to the model of inclusion of previously incarcerated individuals, and shared that as different alternatives are considered, those who are most impacted should be part of the solution.
- c. *Staff to follow up and provide further information, via e-mail or staff report at next meeting, on the following items: upload and/or send ONS presentation. Staff responded to all other items not noted for follow up.*
3. Discussion, creation, and selection of members for sub-working group priority areas
- a. Task force members signed up for sub-working groups:
- **Smart Budget and Resource Allocation:** Soto, Pulido, Tucker, and Small volunteered for this sub-working group.

- **Accountability as Safety:** R. Joseph, Walker, and Mangels volunteered for this sub-working group.
 - **Health and Safety:** Kilian-Lobos, Leslie, **Syon, and Walker** signed up for this sub-working group.
 - **Community Based Solutions:** Walker, Williams, A. Lee, L. Chacon, and R. Joseph signed up for this sub-working group.
- b. Task force members not present at the meeting or who did not sign up during the meeting will be provided an opportunity to sign up via follow-up communications from staff.
- c. Member Comment
- Walker noted that each member should join a subgroup.
 - Small requested decision making rules of the sub-working groups to be clarified in the following meeting, and asked about the Community Listening Session facilitator.
 - Soto commented on Brown Act application to sub-working groups.
- d. Public Comment
- Edith, a community organizer, commented that the task force has had a good start and asked if the sub-working group meetings are open to the public.
- e. *Staff to follow up and provide further information, via e-mail or staff report at next meeting, on the following items: send out requests to members to select sub-working groups; add sub-working group logistics and rules to be on the agenda for the following meeting. Staff responded to all other items not noted for follow up.*

VII. ACTION ITEM RECAP & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Send ONS presentation.
2. Send further information and requests for remaining members to select sub-working groups.
3. Send information about the Community Listening Sessions facilitator.
4. Send revised calendar.
5. Add sub-working group logistics and rules to the upcoming agenda.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Johann Fragd at 7:43 PM.

IX. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Reimagining Public Safety Community Task Force Meeting - Wednesday, January 13, 2020 at 5:30 PM via Zoom.