



City of Tacoma

Citizen Police Advisory Committee Minutes

Monday, June 8, 2020

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Public Attendee Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85148726613>

6:00 p.m.

The CPAC is comprised of Chair Alex Strautman, Vice Chair Stephen Hagberg, and Committee Members Louis Cooper, Kiara Daniels, Krystle Edwards, Dana Coggon, Jennifer Vasilez, Shayna Raphael, and Elizabeth Altamimy

Present: Chair Alex Strautman, Vice Chair Stephen Hagberg, and Committee Members Louis Cooper, Kiara Daniels, Krystle Edwards, Dana Coggon, Jennifer Vasilez, Shayna Raphael, and Elizabeth Altamimy

Absent: NA

Staff Present: Staff Liaison Latasha Ware, City Manager's Office; Executive Liaison Tanisha Jumper, Director of Media and Communications; Lt. Christopher Karl, Tacoma Police Department (TPD); Assistant Chief Ake, TPD

Staff Absent: N/A

Welcome and Introductions

At approximately 6:11 p.m., the regular meeting was called to order and everyone introduced themselves at the table.

Approval of the Agenda

6:14 p.m.: Approval of the agenda for the CPAC meeting held on June 8, 2020.

MOTION: Committee Member (CM) Cooper moved to approve agenda for the February 10, 2020, CPAC meeting.

SECONDED BY: Vice Chair Hagberg

Motion passed

Approval of the Minutes

6:15 p.m.: Approval of the minutes from the March 9, 2020, CPAC regular meeting to include an amendment to add a TPD link.

MOTION: Vice Chair Hagberg moved to approve the amended minutes for the January 22, 2020, CPAC regular meeting.

SECONDED BY: CM Coggon

Motion passed

BRIEFING ITEMS

Welcome New Members

At approximately 6:16p.m., Chair Strautman gave an overview of the Citizen Police Advisory Committee's history and mission.

City Manager's Office

At approximately 6:18p.m., L. Ware gave an update on staffing changes to affect CPAC due to City-wide furloughs. Committee advised that L. Ware will leave for furlough on June 19, 2020 and Bucoda Warren will return as temporary furlough until further notice.

CTRT Update

At approximately 6:20 p.m., L. Ware reported that L. Morris of Tacoma Fire Department (TFD) was invited to attend meeting but did not respond to request (noting that non-response potentially due to last minute request made and staffing constraints on TFD). L. Ware advised committee that staff would follow-up on this request by extending an invitation to the committee's July meeting.

The committee made an administrative change to create a CTRT sub-committee to assist with reviewing the potential of revisiting and extending a second request for proposal (RFP). The sub-committee will consist of three members and CM's Edwards and Altamimy agreed to lead these efforts.

At approximately 6:37p.m., Chair Strautman made mention that Mayor Woodards reached out to him to express support in an expansion of CPAC powers. This notation was a Segway into the next agenda item.

Action plan for proactive engagement and communication with the TPD, the City, and Sheriff's Department with CPAC related to officer involved homicides and incidences of hate crimes

At approximately 6:40p.m., committee members expressed interest in increased communication with TPD staff. Committee members request the following action items:

- A complication of City and TPD press releases – Executive Liaison T. Jumper advised she would work with her staff (Media and Communications Department (MCO) to grant this request
- Incident notification of officer involved shootings and when a person dies in TPD custody – Chief Ake stated this request could be granted through compilation of nightly reports sent to the City Manager

Action plan for CPAC functionality during emergencies, natural disasters, pandemics, etc. and Review of Community correspondence, and discussion of response

At 6:53 p.m., committee members engaged in discussion around expansion of powers to activate resident groups and volunteers to respond to community members during emergencies (to include but not limited to police state & protest, natural disasters, pandemics, family members of officer involved shootings). Committee members decided they will draft a response to community members that reach out to include but not limited to information on what CPAC does and what they are currently working on.

CPAC Retreat – schedule new date

Committee's annual planning retreat was canceled in April 2020 due to Governor ordered emergency response to COVID-19. Committee agreed to reschedule for early August 2020. Staff Liaison L. Ware to send a poll to committee members to see if the committee is available August 1, 2020 or August 8, 2020, and reschedule venue for the retreat.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**Policy and Program Review Sub-Committee**

Vice Chair Hagberg reported that he will work to review documents sent from TPD prior to today's meeting and work within the sub-committee on recent policy matters related TPD and CPAC.

Outreach Sub-Committee

No updates

Data and Trends Sub-Committee

No update was provided

PUBLIC COMMENT

The committee received 8 public commenters and comments can be listened to via meeting audio.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Committee would like to call a special meeting to revisit sub-committee structure and assign newly appointed members to committees. Liaison L. Ware to aid in scheduling special meeting.

At approximately 7:17p.m., the committee requested TPD to send an update report on 8 can't wait. CM Coggon noted that 6/8 demands are met but would like an update on the other 2 items.

Committee would like policy sub-committee to review *Duty to interview TPD policy*

Committee would like to be rescheduled to appear before the Community, Vitality, and Safety CVS) Council Standing Committee to give annual report and make ORD change request/city structure change request

Staff Liaison L. Ware and Executive Liaison T. Jumper to work with Council to schedule this request. CVS not currently meeting due to emergency responses due to COVID-19.

CM Edwards requested an update to application language on CPAC's webpage. Staff Liaison L. Ware to work with CM Edwards to update CPAC page regarding application/applicant content.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- Chaplaincy program (at TPD/TFD) and possible impact on CTRT program
- Police Staffing Study Progress & Implementation
- Open Public Meeting Act / Public Records Act Committee Member Training
- CTRT follow-up regarding recent failed RFP process
- Update on committee's special meeting and sub-committee assignments for new members

ADJOURNMENT

7:17 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Chair Hagberg

SECONDED: CM Daniels

Motion passed

Approved by

Alexander Strautman, Chair

Latasha Ware

Latasha Ware, Staff Liaison, City Manager's Office