

#### **ADVISORY COMMISSION ON POLICING**

# Monday, April 14, 2025 6:30pm to 8:00pm

### Minutes<sup>1</sup>

**Commission members present:** C. Arthur Blair, Cherri Branson, Christina DeLane, Sony George, Francisco González, Henry Mulzac, Eva Quittman, John Stephenson

Commission members absent: Brian Bellamy, Kristy Daphnis, Sean Watson, Terry Walsh

Ex-Officio members present: Sgt. Cate Brewer (FOP), Captain Kathy Estrada (MCPD)

Support staff: Susan Farag

**Guests:** Heidi Rhodes (Jews United for Justice)

# Call to Order 6:35pm

• Vice Chair Branson called the meeting to order. A quorum (eight members) was present.

#### Approval of Draft Minutes, March 2025 (6:37pm)

• VOTE: Mr. Blair moved to approve the minutes. Mr. González seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

# Chair and Vice Chair – Length of Term Discussion

• VOTE: Mr. González moved to continue one-year terms for the Chair and Vice Chair. Mr. George seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Chair and Vice Chair - Nominations

- Discussion: Mr. Blair renominated Chair Belamy, and Mr. George nominated Mr. González. Mr. Gonzalez asked to nominate Chair Bellamy again. Mr. George then nominated Mr. González as Vice Chair.
- VOTE: Mr. Stephenson moved to close the nomination for Chair Bellamy as Chair, and Mr.
   González seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This meeting was not recorded.

- Mx. Quittman moved to self-nominate as Vice Chair, and Ms. Branson seconded. All agreed by acclamation to have two Vice Chairs.
- VOTE: Ms. Branson moved to close the nominations for Mr. González and Mx. Quittman as two co-Vice Chairs, and it was seconded by Mx. Quittman. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Review and Plan Next Community Public Forum**

• Discussion focused on topics, and whether it should be held in June or September. Discussion also focused on potential topics. The Commissioners suggested opening up topic suggestions to the public, through the website. Mx. Quittman suggested the topics about policing free speech events and immigration. The Commissioners suggested submitting topics to staff by early May.

## **Police Budget – Subcommittee**

• The subcommittee reported that it had looked into numerous aspects of the budget, such as patrol overtime, but all questions/issues had been resolved. The subcommittee had no suggestions or outstanding questions on the proposed police budget.

## **Annual Workplan**

• The Commissioners asked to review the workplan and annual report again. Staff will redistribute them. Mr. González stated he could take the lead on the annual report.

#### **New Business**

Ms. Branson advised that a military-like recruitment ad had been brought to her attention. Staff
mentioned that there were several new ads out, and would share the new EPIC recruiting site
with links.

# Adjourned at 7:54pm