MINUTES

Community Police Commission (CPC)
March 23, 2016, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
City Hall, 600 4th Avenue, Room 370

CPC Attendees: Lisa Daugaard, co-chair, Rev. Harriett Walden, co-chair, Josias Flynn, Kay Godefroy, Enrique Gonzalez, Taylor Hoang, Jay Hollingsworth, David Keenan, Marcel Purnell, Isaac Ruiz, Rev. Aaron Williams

CPC Absent: Claudia D’Allegri, Melinda Giovengo, Ofc. Kevin Stuckey

CPC Staff: Fé Lopez, Anne Bettesworth, Minty LongEarth, Betsy Graef, Tracy Whitlatch

REVIEW AGENDA AND APPROVE MINUTES / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moved, seconded, and passed (7-0-1): "To approve the 3/9/16 CPC Meeting minutes and the 3/23/16 agenda."

TRAINING WORKGROUP

SPD will hold the final walk-through of the Bias-Free Policing training on March 28, 2016. Minty LongEarth will attend and report back.

The CPC has received the 2016 training schedule. A CPC ad-hoc workgroup will convene to discuss the training schedule and identify trainings that the CPC may want to provide feedback.

Action Item

PUBLIC CONSUMPTION DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION DISCUSSION

The workgroup reviewed a draft of the report and final recommendations. The CPC report of recommendations and conclusion was shared with the full CPC. Professor Katherine Beckett’s analysis will be included as an appendix to the CPC report.

Moved, seconded, and passed (9-0-0): "To approve with amendments the recommendations and conclusion of the Public Consumption Report."

SPD PUBLIC DISCLOSURE MEETING NOTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS DISCUSSION

The CPC met with public disclosure advocates, media, SPD and the City Attorney’s Office a few months ago to discuss SPD’s public disclosure policy and practices. Staff also sent out requests to meet with ethnic media sources to obtain additional feedback but did not receive any responses. Various insights and potential recommendations can be found in the SPD public disclosure notes that was created by staff.
Mary Perry, SPD’s Director of Transparency and Privacy, attended the CPC meeting to discuss the meeting notes and insights. She developed responses to the notes and shared some of those responses with the commissioners. For example, Mary informed the CPC that SPD recently implemented “GovQA”. It’s an online platform that allows for the community to make public disclosure requests online. This has increased the volume of public disclosure requests. Mary also discussed some issues regarding posting data online. Although committed to transparency, real-time data posting poses the potential of violating people’s privacy. There is also an overwhelming backlog of requests and SPD is under resourced. Mary has recommended hiring additional full-time employees to the Public Disclosure Unit and more training for public disclosure officers.

An ad-hoc workgroup was chosen to meet with Mary Perry and someone from SPD Media Unit to discuss the City Auditor’s recommendations, SPD’s response and other potential recommendations that have been made by advocates.

Action Item

**DISTRICT LIAISONS EXPECTATIONS**

Staff shared a draft expectations guide for CPC District Liaisons and a sign-up sheet went around for commissioners to select districts they would be interested in connecting to or a substantive lead role.

- Commissioners would commit to at least one outreach event or connection of some type per month and report back to the CPC once a month.
- Commissioners would be assigned to either a liaison position or a substantive role in a workgroup.
- One or two commissioners per district would be assigned.

Moved, seconded, and passed (9-1-0): “To approve the District Liaison pilot for assessment after 6 months and again after 12 months.”

Action Item

**ACCOUNTABILITY WORKGROUP**

**Accountability Legislation Recommendations Process Update** – Seattle City Attorney Pete Holmes has set five meetings in March for the CPC, DOJ, Mayor’s office, Monitor, OPARB and SPD to discuss accountability legislation recommendations. The 4th accountability legislation stakeholder meeting took place on Tuesday, March 22nd. The City Attorney will be filing recommendations on April 6th.

**Research Project Update (Inspector General and OPA Cases)** – Certain stakeholders support the idea of creating an Inspector General. The CPC intends to conduct more research into this area.

**External Independent Investigation of Police Use of Deadly Force Discussion** – Last week CPC staff attended the African American Demographic Advisory Council where community discussed the lack of trust they have in SPD investigating its own officer/s in significant cases
such as deadly use of force. Various communities have identified the need for an external and independent investigation of officers involved in cases such as these.

**SPD Community Engagement Assessment Workgroup**

**Letter regarding Mr. Said’s case** – The draft letter was amended and will be sent to the Chief of Police and the OPA Director discussing systemic issues surfaced by reviewing Mr. Said’s case.

*Moved, seconded, and passed (9-0-0): "To approve with amendments, the letter to the Chief of Police and OPA Director.”*

**Contract with Wylie Communications** – The contractor will review and revise five CPC documents for clarity and accessibility. These documents will be used at various community engagement events and include information sheets about the CPC and its work. The revisions of these informative documents will also help to provide better translated materials for multiple communities. Once the contract is finalized, it will be approximately 4 weeks to receive the revised documents.

*Moved, seconded, and passed (8-0-1): "To approve moving forward with contract.”*

**Outreach Events** – Commissioners will assist in developing the focus group questions for the following meetings:

- SPD Demographic Advisory Councils
- 17 of 78 community members have responded for round-table discussions.
- Department of Neighborhood’s Quarterly Meetings
- Command Staff – Commissioners and Staff have been given an hour to present at the April 11th meeting.
- SPD sergeants and officers have been emailed about round-table discussions

*Action Item*

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Updated Logo Discussion** – Staff shared 3 potential CPC logos with the Commission. Commissioners discussed the choices and asked Staff to request modified versions of the various logos.

**Rapid Response Protocol** – Staff reviewed the emergency protocol that the Commission has in place.

**Hate Crimes Conference** – SPD is holding this conference April 27th and 28th. A commissioner and staff member will participate and report back to the CPC at the following CPC Meeting on May 11th.

**SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS**

- Staff will follow-up with Rebecca Boatright at SPD regarding the upcoming Crowd Management Training.
• Staff will follow-up with someone in SPD Media to meet with ad-hoc workgroup and Mary Perry regarding public disclosure.
• Staff will review with Co-chairs the CPC District Liaisons sign-up sheet to select commissioners for districts.
• Staff will send the letter to the Chief of Police and OPA Director regarding Mr. Said’s case.
• Staff will set up a meeting for next week with co-chairs to assist in developing the content for the upcoming outreach meetings.
• Staff will work with consultant on new logo choices.