MINUTES

Community Police Commission (CPC)
September 14, 2016, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 5th Avenue, 16th Floor, Room 1600

CPC Absent: Claudia D’Allegri
CPC Staff: Fé Lopez, Anne Bettesworth, Betsy Graef, Tracy Whitlatch
CPC Staff Absent: Minty LongEarth

REVIEW AGENDA AND APPROVE MINUTES / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moved, seconded, and passed (9-0-0): “To approve the 9-14-16 agenda.”

Moved, seconded, and passed (6-0-3): “To approve minutes from 8-10-16 and to approve with slight amendment 8-17-16 minutes.”

POLICY WORKGROUP

DRAFT SPD Body Worn Camera Policy
Co-chair Lisa Daugaard reminded commissioners that two years ago the CPC submitted a letter to Council stating that the Commission was unable to come to a consensus regarding body cameras due to various Commissioner positions. The CPC has been involved in collaborating with SPD regarding the BWC pilot program and the policy. The CPC and SPD conducted a survey of people in the East Precinct that had interactions with police officers wearing the cameras during the pilot last winter. The officers involved in the pilot were also surveyed.

At the last CPC meeting, the Commission requested an extension to submit its comments and feedback to the In Car Video/Body Worn Camera policy. SPD, however, did submit its draft ICV/BWC policy to the Monitor and DOJ because they did not want to delay their Request for Proposal. The CPC may submit its comments and feedback to the court via amicus brief. The DOJ stated that they would be willing to accept the CPC comments when they are ready.

Commissioners reviewed and discussed the SPD redlined body worn camera policy. In addition, the CPC also discussed the Auditor’s recommendations to the policy. The discussion will resume at the next CPC meeting.

Currently, both CPC Co-chairs, representing their own organizations, are involved in a state wide taskforce regarding body worn cameras.
DOJ AND MONITOR UPDATES

DOJ – They have received the CPC policy recommendations and the City and DOJ are considering them. The parties will request an extension so they have time to review the CPC recommendations to the ICV/BWC policy.

The DOJ received the Office of Civil Rights Institutional Bias training. The DOJ is trying to “bridge the gap” and come up with something that addresses the gaps in the training. The Racial Equity Tool Kit will also be used in this training. The training must be filed with the court and implemented before the end of the year.

The DOJ has been working to complete assessments and looking forward to upcoming work in 2017. Nine of the fifteen assessments are complete, and all but one indicate compliance with the Consent Decree.

The CPC requested to be involved in the meetings to determine compliance. The DOJ is taking that into consideration.

Monitor Team – The Monitor Team has been continuing to attend community meetings through Seattle.

ACCOUNTABILITY WORKGROUP

Accountability Legislation Update – The CPC continues to work with the City stakeholders regarding the accountability legislation. The CPC is holding a special meeting on September 22nd to vote on the accountability legislation. The City will file the draft legislation with the Court by October 7th.

OPA Auditor Update – As of September 30th, Retired Judge Levinson will no longer be the interim Auditor. Interviews are occurring; however, Commissioners expressed concern that an interim auditor will be in by the end of September.

The CPC will send an email to the Mayor’s Office expressing gratitude for the quality of work that Judge Levinson has put forth in these many months and that there is a sincere concern regarding the OPA Auditor replacement.

OTHER BUSINESS

CPC Draft Brochure – The commissioners were shown the new draft literature that will be in the CPC brochure.

Moved, seconded, and passed (11-0-0): “To approve the new language in the CPC brochure.”

Special CPC Meeting – The CPC will hold a special meeting on September 22nd. September 28th CPC meeting is cancelled staff and some Commissioners will be attending the NACOLE conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico September 25th – 29th.
CPC Membership – The CPC is advocating for officer involvement and due to SPOG’s non-participation, the commission would consider appointments of non-union police representatives to the commission.