Community Police Commission (CPC)

Regular Meeting
April 10th, 2013
9:00 am – 12:00 p.m.
Location: 901 5th Ave, Conference Room

Attendees: Lisa Daugaard, Co-Chair; Kate Joncas; Jay Hollingsworth; Joseph Kessler; Jennifer Shaw; Kevin Stuckey; Kip Tokuda; Rev. Harriett Walden; Rev. Aaron Williams; Marcel Purnell

Others: Interim Chief Pugel

Public: Onya Canmore

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lisa welcomed everyone and had brief introductions.

Action items: N/A

INTERIM CHIEF PUGEL

Interim Chief Pugel shared his vision for the work ahead. Discussed safety and harm reduction. Pugel also discussed the importance of working with community, importance of media relations, and interaction of CPC with SPD. Believes CPC will have a significant role in SPD reform.

Action items: N/A

MEETING LOCATION

Commissioners discussed potential meeting locations and the importance of centering the meetings in community. Commissioners discussed the possibility of a fixed location like City Hall as also important. Community trust is an ongoing issue and meeting in the community could help. Commissioners discussed additional meetings as also important in meeting with the community.

Meeting location ideas included:
1. City Hall
2. SPD Precincts/Union Hall
3. SPD Headquarters
4. Community locations: El Centro, Atlantic Street Center, Belltown Community Center, Mt Zion etc.

**Action items:**
1. Glenn/Karinda to explore community meetings spaces
2. 1st meeting of the month downtown at Public Defenders/ACLU, and second meeting in the Community through June (work with Kip and the Community Relations Comm.)
4. Next meeting in community location.

**BYLAWS REVIEW**

*Presentation by Kate Joncas*

Kate walked through her edits to the bylaws. Commissioners discussed the Commissioner demographics and representation.

**Action Items:**
1. Marcel, Lisa and Jay will discuss and make recommendations on the make-up of the Commission and demographics.
2. VOTE: Approve bylaws with suggested amendments?
   - YES – Unanimous
   - NO –
   - ABSTAIN –

**RESOURCE MATERIALS**

Staff will print needed materials for CPC meeting – notes, agendas, etc. Commissioners also recommended building a “library” of electronic records (dropbox, etc.).

**Action items:**
1. Staff will support in getting a website up and investigating electronic storage options.

**COMMISSION OPENING**

Commissioners discussed the resignation of John Page and their role in his replacement. Commissioners acknowledged the importance of having a voice of someone who has a criminal record, or has some experience with the criminal justice system. Commissioner recommended that the Commission should also include people who have been harmed by crime. Commissioner also expressed the need for deeper precinct representation, including SW Seattle.

**Action Items:**
1. Marcel, Lisa and Jay will provide recommendations on the Commission representation at the next meeting.
INDEPENDENT OFFICE DISCUSSION

Presentation by Jennifer Shaw and Glenn Harris

Jennifer shared that she called CM Harrell and was waiting to hear back. Glenn shared that it could be helpful to meet with a couple department directors (i.e. Wayne Barnett) to discuss the pros and cons of being an independent office. Commissioners discussed their desire for clear independence while maintaining their effectiveness. Commissioner expressed desire for clear oversight of Commission staff.

Action Items:
1. VOTE: Should we move forward with the current structure and hiring process and continue to investigate the independent office structure?
   - YES – Unanimous
   - NO –
   - ABSTAIN –
2. Staff will send out draft position description.
3. Staff will support arranging a meeting CM Harrell.

FORMATION OF FUTURE AGENDAS

Presentation by Lisa Daugaard

Commissioners discussed criteria for what the Commission works on and suggested that the outreach and communications work group come back with recommendations.

Commissioners discussed what win looks like for the CPC: A win is partly just the creation of the Commission itself; A win is having SPD adopting recommendations that lead to culture change; A win is a slow down in number of SPD incidents that disturb the community.

Commissioners discussed the need to balance looking at individual incidents and their work as presented in the MOU. Commissioner suggested that individual incidents could trigger the Commission looking at policy and procedure. Commissioners discussed the importance of staying focused on the core of their work as outlined in the MOU.

Action Items:
1. Community engagement work group will provide recommendations on moving forward. The workgroup will also make recommendations on the public comment period of each meeting.

OPA Hiring Process

Commissioners discussed the Mayor’s Office proposal for them to participate in the hiring of the new OPA Director. Commissioners expressed some concern regarding their involvement, as they will need to review OPA structures in the future. More discussion time was requested at future meeting.
Action Items: N/A