

City of Portland

Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing (PCCEP)

PCCEP Settlement & Policy Subcommittee

Meeting Notes

January 10, 2024

Members in Attendance:

Pastor Robin Wisner (Subcommittee Co-Chair), Byron Vaughn, Ashley Schofield, Leslie Martinez, Kip Silverman, Kerry Driver, & Tia Palafox

Guests:

Sameer Kanal, Advisory Boards & Commissions Manager for Community Safety Division
Stephanie Howard, Director of Community Safety (Mayor's Office)
Mary Claire Buckley, PPB Inspector General in charge of DOJ Compliance
Sarah Ames, Portland Deputy City Attorney
Commander Amanda McMillan, PPB manager of Professional Standards Division
Sgt. Kim Hubbard, PPB Homicide Division
Brian Davidson, Deputy District Attorney for Multnomah County

NOTES

- 1) Timestamps for the corresponding video are noted in bold, underlined text.*
- 2) The full text of slides can be found in the listing of slides document that is linked under the Zoom video on the PCCEP website page for this meeting.*
- 3) A sampling of the questions and comments for each agenda item is presented below. Questions and comments are presented in summarized form, not as literal quotes.*

- Call to Order **0:7:01**
- Introductions **0:7:15**
- Community Agreements **0:11:25**
- Meeting Overview **0:12:02**
 - Updates
 - PPB Directive Review Process
 - Subcommittee Next Steps
 - Open Public Comment
- Updates **0:12:57**
 - Officer-Involved Shooting in December (12/28/23 at Mall 205) – A Word of Acknowledgement
 - **Pastor Robin Wisner, PCCEP Co-Chair**, asks people to remember, when there is any loss of life, the “sanctity of life.” He talks about his experience

preaching at the funeral of Kendra James, who was killed by a PPB officer on May 5, 2003. Anyone who dies for whatever reason is someone's child or relative, he says. He also talks about Wilma Acosta, whose body was found in the Willamette River on January 3, and thanks the community and PPB leadership, including newly appointed Chief Bob Day and Deputy Chief Mike Frome, for the support provided to the grieving family.

- **[Slide: Officer-Involved Shooting] 0:17:45**
 - **How will this shooting be investigated internally?**
 - **What is the process to determine whether criminal charges are filed?**
 - **Invited Speaker: Commander Amanda McMillan, PPB Internal Affairs**
- **Pastor Robin Wisner, PCCEP Co-Chair**, introduces the subject of the 12/28 officer-involved shooting.
- **PPB Commander Amanda McMillan** talks about the process for conducting an internal investigation related to administrative discipline (the possible violation of PPB policies) and answers PCCEP members' questions. **0:20:13**
- **PCCEP Staff** asks for confirmation on the understand of the overall progression for how the internal affairs and criminal homicide investigations by PPB coordinate with the DA's office. **0:30:45**
- **PPB Homicide Sgt. Kim Hubbard** describes the process of the criminal investigation into the possible violation of laws resulting from an in-custody death through an officer's use of deadly force. **0:31:28**
- **Brian Davidson, Deputy District Attorney for Multnomah County**, talks about what happens in the DA's office after the PPB investigations are completed and how the Grand Jury process works regarding its decision on whether to issue a felony indictment. **0:38:07**
- Questions from members of the public on the officer-involved shooting investigation process. **0:48:22**
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- Response to PCCEP Contact Survey Recommendation **1:01:45**
 - **[Slide: PCCEP Contact Survey Recommendation]**
 - **PCCEP Staff** tells the members that the Mayor and PPB Chief Day accepted the recommendation for the creation of a contact tracking system.
 - **Action Item:** The members need to choose one of them to represent PCCEP in the City workgroup that will be convened to work out the details.
 - **[Slide: Contact Survey Recommendation – Mayor's Response] 1:03:00**
 - **PCCEP Staff** summarizes the Mayor's official response, including the planning process for implementing the recommendation.
 - **[Slide: PCCEP Representative for Contact Survey Workgroup] 1:04:45**
 - The members discuss how best to select members who will represent the group not only for this issue, but also for other projects as they come up.
 - **Stephanie Howard, Director of Community Safety (Mayor's Office)**, describes the way the City will structure the work of developing the contact tracking system RFP, including how vender contractors will be evaluated for developing the technical parts of the system. **1:07:10**
- PPB Directive Review Process **1:19:28**

- **PCCEP Staff** recaps the decision by the members in their end-of-year 2023 planning meeting to prioritize the review of and response to PPB policy directives that regularly come up for public review.
- **[Slide: What is a Directive?] 1:21:23**
- **PCCEP Staff** summarizes what a directive is.
- **[Slide: How does PPB Review & Revise Directives?] 1:22:02**
- **PCCEP Staff** summarizes the overall policy review process.
- **[Slide: First Universal Review & Public Comment Period] 1:22:25**
- **[Slide: Second Universal Review & Public Comment Period] 1:23:13**
- **[Slide: Current Directives up for Review Include:] 1:23:49**
 - **Procedural Justice**
 - **Body-Worn Camera Use and Management**
 - **Community Member Observation of Police**
- Members discuss how to structure work around review of directives. **1:25:07**
- **[Slide: PCCEP Engagement with Directive Review Process] 1:26:34**

- Subcommittee Next Steps **1:51:24**
 - [Slide: Action Items? Volunteers Needed? Anything else?]
 - Members discuss next steps on a variety of issues.

- Public Comment Period **2:01:40**

- What's Next? **2:15:15**
 - PCCEP Community Engagement Subcommittee Meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 17

- Meeting Adjourned