



**Police Review Board
ACTION MINUTES**

Thursday, March 25, 2021

5:00 pm- Private Briefing

6:00 pm- Public Meeting

NOTE: Police Review Board members, staff and the public participated in this meeting via teleconference or otherwise electronically due to health concerns and social distancing requirements.

In-person attendance was not permitted.

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Chairperson: Mayra Gomez

Vice Chairperson: Phillip Wolfgramm

Board Members Present: Randall Brown, Daisy Chavez and Ryan Wagner

Board Members Absent: JoAnn Nau and Diana VanKirk

Staff Members Present: Lylyana Bogdanovich, Alyssa Guerrero, Richard LaRochelle, Eric Trapp and Police Chaplain Nathan Zug

OIR Group Members Present: Michael Gennaco and Steve Connolly

- **Call to Order – 6:00 p.m.**

Chair Mayra Gomez called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

- **Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: Board Member Ryan Wagner offered a motion, seconded by Board Member Phillip Wolfgramm and MOTION CARRIED (Vote: 5-0, Commissioners JoAnn Nau and Diana VanKirk absent) that the Police Review Board does hereby approve the minutes from the Police Review Board meeting held on February 25, 2021 as presented.

- **Public Comments**

Public Comments on any agenda items or subject matter within the scope of the Police Review Board. Please note: Individual audience participation is three minutes per speaker.

Chair Mayra Gomez clarified a few things about the public comment period. The board's role is to monitor the Department's review process, including for deadly force incidents, and to make recommendations about policy and procedure. However, the board does not do their own investigations, and they do not have authority to discipline officers.

The board is limited in what they can share about the details of specific cases, but OIR Group has access to those materials, and they report to them about their impressions of the process and concerns they may have.

After the board gets a private briefing, they will share what they can about the status of any pending complaints or inquiries during the public portion of the meeting.

Chair Mayra Gomez opened the public comment period.

Brian Kaye thanked the board and staff for their service. Brian spoke about police presence at schools and asked that the board do some research on it. He also spoke about some officer-involved shootings.

- **Presentation on Police Department Chaplain Program**

Police Lieutenant Richard LaRochelle is in charge of the Emergency Management Detail and is the liaison for the Chaplain Program. Lieutenant LaRochelle gave an overview of the Chaplain Program. The Program was established in 1990 and there are currently seven chaplains within the program. The Chaplains are all from different religion denominations. He explained the purpose of the program is to provide spiritual and emotional support to all members of the police department, family members of the department and the general public after a critical incident and or tragic event.

Chaplain Nathan Zug has been a Fire Chaplain for almost twenty years and a Police Chaplain for over five years. He has been a staff member at Magnolia Baptist Church for 30 years working with youth for most of the time. He is very involved in the community and he is grateful to be able to serve as a Chaplain to assist people in some of their worst moments of life. He has a lot of training in critical incidents and stress management (CISM) and critical incidents stress debriefing (CISD). He sees his role as a kind caring person in the room who can provide resources and give spiritual energy or direction. Nathan Zug spoke about his work as a Chaplain and his role offering support to families following critical incidents with police.

The full presentation including the video recording is available at <http://www.anaheim.net/PRB>.

- **Board Comments**

Board Member Ryan Wagner thanked the presenters for the presentation that evening and looks forward to working with the Police Review Board on the annual report.

Board Member Daisy Chavez stated she is trying to process the information in the presentation and see how the resources or the training that the chaplains receive in conflict resolution may be carried over to police officers. She would also like to see how the Police Department could use chaplains in other situations, a little more widespread.

Michael Gennaco appreciated the presentation.

Steve Connolly thought the presentation was very worthwhile and added he and Mr. Gennaco are happy to be a resource to the board as they work through their second annual report process and any other things they can assist the board.

Chair Mayra Gomez thanked everyone for their participation that evening and for the time the members devote in being part of the board.

- **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Mayra Gomez adjourned the meeting to Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.