



**Police Review Board
ACTION MINUTES**

Thursday, May 27, 2021

5:00 pm- Work Session

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, JoAnn Nau, Diana VanKirk and Ryan Wagner

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Jim Vanderpool, Lylyana Bogdanovich, Alyssa Guerrero, Jorge Cisneros, Rick Armendariz

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 6:00 p.m.
- **Approval of Minutes**
MOTION: Board Member Phillip Wolfgramm offered a motion, seconded by Board Member JoAnn Nau and MOTION CARRIED (Vote: 7-0) that the Police Review Board does hereby approve the minutes from the Police Review Board meeting held on April 22, 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 Gomez reported that two members of the Police Board met privately with Donna Acevedo and Vern Nelson to discuss the complaint they brought up during the public comment period at the April 22 meeting. Donna Acevedo Nelson spoke about an incident where a person was denied services because she placed the call to Mental Health Services. As a result of the meeting, Chair Gomez formally asked that the OIR group follow up on the complaint.

Steve Connolly noted they are aware of that issue and the complaint and his understanding from APD is that an investigation is under way and the OIR Group will get back to the PRB board.

Chair Mayra Gomez opened the public comment period.

Brian Kaye spoke about not being able to obtain copies of the reports for his two arrests.

- **Presentation Police Reform Efforts- Anaheim Police Department**

Chief Cisneros gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Anaheim Police Department's Reform Efforts including the following updates on the #8CANTWAIT Police Reform Recommendations:

Chokeholds & Strangleholds

- APD has never approved a choke or stranglehold
- APD has suspended the Carotid hold

De-escalation

- APD has a robust de-escalation training program
- Partnership with Orange County Mental Health (PERT)

Warning before Shooting

- Both State law and APD policy reflect that a warning before the application of lethal force should be given, when feasible

Exhaust All Alternatives before Shooting

- Officers shall use only that amount of force that reasonably appears necessary given the facts and circumstances perceived by the officer at the time of the event

Duty to Intervene

- APD commands any officer witnessing unreasonable force to stop that force and report the incident immediately

Ban Shooting At Moving Vehicles

- APD Policy forbids officers from shooting at vehicles unless there are no other ways to stop a threat faced by the officer or others

Use of Force Continuum

- APD policy is based on the reasonableness of the force used by officers during the circumstances they faced by officers during the circumstances

Require Comprehensive Reporting

- APD practices a comprehensive reporting requirement mandating officers to document a variety of circumstances, including anytime an officer points a gun at anyone

Proportionality

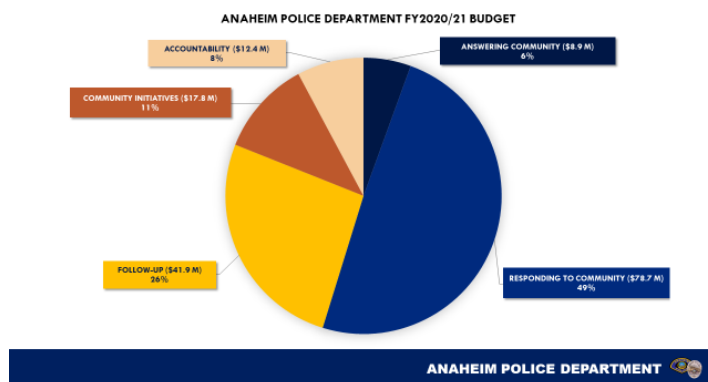
- APD use of force policy is based on “reasonableness” and proportionality is taken into consideration when determining reasonableness

The full presentation including the video recording is available at

<http://www.anaheim.net/PRB>.

- **FY 21/22 Police Department Budget Presentation**

Chief Cisneros went over the FY20/21 Anaheim Police Department Budget.



Chief Cisneros indicated the Police Department is still working on the FY 21/22 Budget and is going to be presenting it to Council. He did not feel it was appropriate to present a draft copy to the board at this time.

- **Board Comments**

Board Member Randall Brown appreciated the Police Department's presentation.

Board Member Daisy Chavez is interested in seeing the development of the idea that Chief Cisneros brought up during his presentation in terms of including community members in giving input in the hiring practices and the training that they give to officers. That is something that she is looking forward in hearing more about as it develops.

Board Member Ryan Wagner stated it is nice to be in the room with the majority of the board now, it is also good to hear the Police Department is going to start doing some more Coffee with the Cop and it's good to know the pandemic is going down.

Board Member JoAnn Nau asked if the meeting in June will be in person and Lylyana confirmed that is the plan.

Lylyana noted there are four terms that are ending at the end of June. Board Members Diana VanKirk, Daisy Chavez and Ryan Wagner expressed interest in serving a second term. Board Member Brown's terms is ending at the end of June, so they are going to have a vacancy in District One. Lylyana asked for help in finding a candidate to fill the vacancy. The application deadline is June 11.

Chair Mayra Gomez thought they had a great meeting and a great presentation. She looks forward to what the Police Review Board can come up with respect to the Chief Cisneros' request on being proactive instead of reactive.

- **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Mayra Gomez adjourned the meeting to Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.