CITIZEN POLICE ADVISORY BOARD ANNUAL MEETING

January 29, 2025 @ 4:00 pm 555 S 10th Street, Room 303 Lincoln, NE 68508

Members Present: Eric Hoke (Vice Chair)

Roshan Pajnigar

Cameya Ramirez-Rousseau

Scott Hatfield Shirley Mora James

Members Absent: Brittney Hodges-Bolkovac

Micheal Q. Thompson

Carrie Herrera Patrick Finnegan

Also Present: Chief Michon Morrow

Sgt Alex Stover Tonya Peters Cheri Howard

Hoke called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm and acknowledged the meeting falls within the governance of the Open Meetings Act.

Sgt. Alex Stover was welcomed as our new LPD Internal Affairs liaison.

Minutes from the Oct 30, 2024, meeting were reviewed. **Moved** and seconded to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no comments from the public.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on CPAB Members Training – There is a committee including Mora James, Ramirez-Rousseau, along with Howard and Peters to put together future CPAB Member training. As a part of the sub-committee and this effort, Chair Hodges-Bolkovac had distributed a Role/Purpose, and Ethics of being a CPAB member document for her portion of future training protocol. She requested for all other CPAB members to review the document and provide two pieces of feedback. LPD is welcome to add commentary as well. Because the Chair and a few others were necessarily absent for this meeting, it was decided to table this discussion to the next meeting for full engagement.

NEW BUSINESS

Howard presented the 2024 CPAB Case Review. The overall trend reflecting a decline in citizen complaints held true with only 3 events resulting in one hearing. There did not seem to be a pattern in the types of complaints or demonstrated issue with police policy. Moved and seconded to approve the 2024 review as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Annual Chair and Vice Chair nominations – After a brief discussion confirming Hodges-Bolkovac and Hoke were willing to serve another year as Chair and Vice-Chair, there was some discussion, before it was determined this should also be tabled until next meeting, ideally with more members in attendance. Moved and seconded to delay the elections until the April quarterly meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Immigration enforcement press release: Members reviewed the Jan 21, 2025 LPD press release with Chief Morrow who confirmed LPD is accessible and committed to public safety for all residents, regardless of immigration status for all who call Lincoln home. LPD does not contact individuals to determine immigration status and does not have the authority to enforce immigration laws. This policy is outlined in the department's policy on unlawful or improper bias in public safety.

4th Quarter and 2024 Annual Incident Summaries and Case Review

Sgt Stover reported on LPD's 4th Quarter (Oct 1 through Dec 31, 2024) IA Case Review, Statistical Summary, Employee Incident Report Summary, and Employee Use of Control Summary.

He also presented the annual 2024 Summary of the same reports listed above.

These reports will be posted on the CPAB Meetings City of Lincoln website.

Announcements: The Mayor's Office has a new Chief of Staff Rick Hoppe replacing TJ McDowell, who returned to UNL as a Asst. Vice-Chancellor of Student Life & Dean of Students. Rick was unable to make it to this meeting but will be glad to come in April. He was the Chief of Staff for Mayor Beutler during his entire administration.

It was announced that Carrie Herrera has necessarily resigned from the CPAB due to work/life balance obligations but shared her appreciation for the other members and the experience. Pajnigar suggested a Lincoln resident who is also an immigrant or refugee might be a welcome addition. Mora James had a person in mind. Howard will check with Mayoral Aide Riley Slezak who works with the mayor on boards and commissions and more information on replacement is forthcoming.

The next CPAB Meeting will be Wednesday, April 30th, 2025 @ 4:00 pm in the City County Building, 555 S 10th St., Room 303

Meeting Adjourned at 5:12 pm