

Citizens Police Review Board Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Date: December 11, 2018

Convened: 1:01 p.m.

Adjourned: 2:50 p.m.

Board members Present:

Janice Coffee
Linda Lunn
Loren Gilbert-Smith
Jesuorobo Enobakhare, Jr.
James Birdsong
Perro WJ Henson
Mario Gutierrez
William Freeman
David LaBrec
Ezekiel Tyson
Joshua Vernon
David Kitner
Paul Hille, **Vice-Chair**
Brian H. Williams, **Chair**

Board member(s) Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Dallas Police Department Internal Affairs
Chris Caso, Interim City Attorney
Pavala Armstrong, Assistant City Attorney
Mary Kate Bevel, City Manager's Office
Major Ramierez, DPD
Thomas Taylor, DPD

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AGENDA:

Call to Order

Action Taken/Recommendation(s):

Chair Brian H. Williams called an Open Session of the Citizens Police Review Board meeting to order at 1:01 p.m., Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at Dallas City Hall, 1500 Marilla, Room L1FN Auditorium, Dallas, TX, 75201. A quorum was present and attendance documented with each member stating their name and district they represent for the record.

1. Approval of Meeting Record for November 13, 2018 Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of November 13, 2018.

Motion by: Mario Gutierrez

Motion seconded by: Janice Coffee

Passed unanimously.

Public Hearing (Cases appearing on the Board's Agenda)

2. Mr. Juan Escobar – CN2018-010

Mr. Escobar was not present.

Motion to dismiss the case.

Motion by: David LaBrec **Motion seconded by:** Loren Gilbert-Smith

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Ms. Brittany Reynolds – CN2017-183

Ms. Reynolds was not present.

Motion to dismiss the case.

Motion by: David LaBrec **Motion seconded by:** Paul Hille

Motion passed unanimously.

Briefing Item

4. The Dallas Community Policy Oversight Board: A New Model to Improve Accountability and Public Trust

- Presented by the Community Police Oversight Board Coalition. This coalition consists of 20 organizations. Speaking on behalf of the coalition included Bruce Orr, Changa Higgins, and Lauren-Elaine Brown.
- The coalition presented a proposal to make changes to the current format of the Citizen Police Review Board. Proposed changes focused on five pillars:
 1. Provide structural independence
 2. Deliver procedural fairness
 3. Make public engagement and outreach a critical priority
 4. Mandate transparency and accountability
 5. Ensure board members and professional staff have relevant training and/or experience
- The proposal included possible changes such as:
 - The board will be responsible for end-to-end management of the complaint process, capitalizing on existing Police investigative resources
 - The board will proactively make recommendations concerning policy, practices, and training systems, among others
 - On-going, planned community outreach will be a new mandate of the Board.
 - Annual performance reviews will be presented by the Board to the City Council and Mayor, and shared with the Community.


Motion to support the five pillars of the presentation (provide structural independence, deliver procedural fairness, make public engagement and outreach a critical priority, mandate transparency and accountability, and ensure board members and professional staff have relevant training and/or experience); and a friendly amendment by Chair Williams to also write a letter to the City Manager supporting these five pillars with the signatures of board members.

Motion by: Jesuorobo Enobakhare, Jr. **Motion seconded by:** David Kitner

Motion passed on divided vote.

The December 11, 2018 Citizens Police Review Board meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

APPROVED BY:



Brian H. Williams, Chair
Citizens Police Review Board

ATTEST:



Mary Kate Bevel, Board Coordinator
Citizens Police Review Board

