

Statement on the City Council's Action Regarding the Reappointment of Chair Ricardo Garcia-Acosta and Alternate Commissioner Omar Farmer

Oakland Police Commission Update

During last night's meeting, the City Council unanimously rejected the Selection Panel's reappointment slate, which included current Commission Chair Ricardo Garcia-Acosta and Alternate Commissioner Omar Farmer.

Next Steps

The Selection Panel will reconvene to review the Council's decision and determine next steps regarding reappointments. Until successors are appointed and formally qualified, Chair Garcia-Acosta and Alternate Commissioner Farmer are permitted to serve in a *hold-over* capacity to ensure continuity of Commission operations.

The Commission will continue advancing critical work, including:

- Collaborating with the Mayor on the **Police Chief selection process** (interim and permanent), and with the **City Administrator** on the permanent selection recruitment process.
- Ongoing oversight of the Oakland Police Department
- Other Charter-mandated initiatives supporting transparency and accountability

Commitment to the Community

The Oakland Police Commission remains dedicated to promoting constitutional policing, transparency, and accountability while continuing its essential oversight responsibilities for the City of Oakland.

Chair Ricardo Garcia-Acosta

On behalf of the Oakland Police Commission