



Statement from the Oakland Police Commission

The Oakland Police Commission extends our sincere gratitude to Chief Floyd Mitchell for his leadership and desire to build the Department's capacity and skill. We specifically want to acknowledge the Chief for embracing the Commission's role of independent oversight and for working in partnership to strengthen trust and accountability.

While we celebrate his leadership in fostering a healthy relationship between the Commission and the Oakland Police Department, we must also express our shared disappointment, as significant progress was being made in restoring trust and embracing oversight through crafting smart policy, removing unnecessary administrative burdens, and working toward standardizing a progressive discipline process. This progress carried substantial momentum that we had anticipated continuing to support.

The Commission remains deeply committed to fostering a positive and professional relationship with future leadership. This partnership has demonstrated that strong oversight and strong policing can coexist in service to the people of Oakland. We look forward to carrying that same momentum forward with future leadership.

During this transition, the OPC remains committed to advancing a culture of accountability, transparency, and constitutional policing for the City of Oakland.

Chair Garcia-Acosta on behalf of the Oakland Police Commission