



# OAKLAND POLICE COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2023  
6:30 P.M.

## I. **Call to Order, Welcome, Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

Chair Tyfahra Milele called the meeting to order at approximately 6:35 p.m. and took roll.

### **Roll Call:**

**Present:** Chair Tyfahra Milele; Vice Chair Marsha Peterson; Commissioner Brenda Harbin-Forte; Commissioner Rudolph Howell; Commissioner Regina Jackson; Commissioner Jesse Hsieh; Commissioner David Jordan; Alternate Commissioner Angela Jackson-Castain (arrived after roll call); Alternate Commissioner Karely Ordaz

**Absent:** None

## II. **Adoption of Renewal Resolution Electing to Continue Conducting Meetings Using Teleconferencing in Accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(E), a Provision of AB-361. The Commission will re-adopt findings to permit it to continue meeting via teleconference under the newly amended provisions of the Brown Act.**

After no public comments were made, Commissioner Harbin-Forte made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to adopt the renewal resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes: 7 - Milele, Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Jackson, Hsieh, Jordan**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 0**

## III. **Open Forum Part 1**

Public comments were made by 5 persons (Dorado; Grinage; Tigges; Leonard; Vale)

## IV. **Election of Oakland Police Commission Chairperson**

Public Comments were made by 10 persons (Cleveland; Grinage; Drake; Tigges; White; Contreras; Leonard; Public Safety Advocate; Acosta; Vale).

Commissioner Jackson nominated Vice Chair Peterson to serve as the Commission Chair.

Commissioner Harbin-Forte nominated Chair Milele to serve a second term as Commission Chair. Commissioners Harbin-Forte and Jackson then spoke in support of their nominations, and other commissioners spoke as well.

Chair Milele and Vice Chair Peterson both responded to the question of why they would like to serve

as Chair.

After further discussion and comments, Chair Milele took a vote on her nomination as Commission Chair. Chair Milele was reelected by the following vote:

**Ayes: 5 - Harbin-Forte, Howell, Hsieh, Jordan, Milele**

**Nays: 2 - Peterson, Jackson**

**Absent: 0**

With Chair Milele's reelection by a 5-2 majority vote, there was no need to take a vote on Vice Chair Peterson's nomination to serve as Chair.

#### **V. Election of Oakland Police Commission Vice Chairperson**

Public Comments were made by 5 persons (Leonard; Jaffe; Cleveland; Tigges; Contreras).

Commissioner Jackson nominated Commissioner Peterson to serve a second term as Vice Chair.

Alternate Commissioner Ordaz asked for a description of the Vice Chair role. Commissioner Harbin-Forte raised a point of information that the description can be referenced in the Commission's Rules of Procedure. Commissioner Jackson clarified that Alternate Commissioner Ordaz is asking for someone to read the rule aloud. Chair Milele suggested continuing to accept nominations before moving on to discussion.

Commissioner Howell nominated Commissioner Jordan to serve as Vice Chair.

Commissioner Jordan suggested we take the time to revisit Alternate Commissioner Ordaz's request. Commissioner Hsieh shared his screen to present Rules 2.15 and 2.16.

Commissioner Howell expanded on his reasons for nominating Commissioner Jordan. Commissioner Hsieh spoke to his understanding of the Vice Chair role and asked if both nominees accept their nominations. Both Commissioners Peterson and Jordan accepted their nominations and made brief statements.

After all discussion and comment by commissioners and public comment, Chair Milele took a vote on Commissioner Jordan's nomination. Commissioner Jordan was elected Vice Chair with the following votes:

**Ayes: 5 - Harbin-Forte, Howell, Hsieh, Jordan, Milele**

**Nays: 2 - Peterson, Jackson**

**Absent: 0**

With the election of Commissioner Jordan as Vice Chair by a 5-2 majority vote, there was no need to take

a vote on Vice Chair Peterson's nomination to be reelected as Vice Chair.

**VI. Post-Retreat Report from Dr. Omowale Satterwhite**

Dr. Satterwhite provided a post-retreat report, including analysis of his one-on-one interviews with Commissioners and Chief of Staff Yun about their visions for OPC moving forward.

Public comment was made by one person (Olugbala).

**VII. Joint Presentation of C.A.R.E.S Navigation Center and La Familia**

Deputy District Attorney Danielle London and Chief Program Officer Jason Toro provided a presentation on C.A.R.E.S Navigation Center and La Familia. Also presenting were Rachel Romero, Danielle Oliver, and Lanisha Adams.

Public Comments were made by 5 persons (Cleveland; Jaffe; Janks; Olugbala; Parker)

**VIII. Update from Oakland Police Department (OPD)**

OPD Chief Armstrong gave a presentation on OPD's staffing numbers, including upcoming prospective academy hires numbers and attrition rates. Chief Armstrong also reported on key arrests in catalytic converter thefts and the continuing efforts by OPD to build trust within the Oakland community, namely the holiday toy drive.

Public Comments were made by 4 persons (Janks; Contreras; Jaffe; Olugbala).

Commissioner Harbin-Forte made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to extend the meeting by one hour. The motion carried with the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7 - Milele, Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Jackson, Hsieh, Jordan

**Nays:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**IX. Update from Office of the Inspector General (OIG)**

Inspector General Michelle Phillips provided an update on the OIG's 2022 calendar year reviews, staffing updates, and requests of the Commission. Included in the OIG requests were biannual ethics training and leadership meetings with other public safety related boards and commissions. OIG Audit Manager Shayleen Morris discussed the NSA and updates to Task 42.

Public Comments were made by 4 persons (Leonard; Contreras; Grinage; Olugbala).

## **X. Committee Reports**

### **Community Outreach (Commissioners Howell, Hsieh, Jordan)**

Commissioner Howell shared that the planned December outreach event was postponed due to the recent inclement weather, but that the committee was still moving forward with their agenda, rules, and guidelines.

### **Body Worn Camera Policy (Commissioners Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Hsieh)**

Commissioner Harbin-Forte provided an update on the Body Worn Camera Policy, sharing that OPD sent the draft policy to the NSA independent monitoring team (IMT) at the IMT's request. The team replied with comments on December 5<sup>th</sup> and December 12<sup>th</sup>. OPD replied to those comments on December 13<sup>th</sup> and acknowledged receipt. OPD Lieutenant Turner and the department will reach back out to the IMT, if they do not hear back soon, and the plan is to take any suggested modifications back to the ad hoc committee for further review.

### **CPRA Policies Ad Hoc Committee (Commissioners Harbin-Forte, Jackson-Castain, Ordaz)**

Commissioner Harbin-Forte reported that the January 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting was postponed and will next meet on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Harbin-Forte also shared the meeting details for public access.

No Public Comment was made.

## **XI. Open Forum Part 2**

Public comments were made by 4 persons (Cleveland; Olugbala; Parker; Leonard).

## **XII. Consent Calendar**

Commissioners reviewed and discussed meeting minutes from: April 14; May 12; May 26; June 2; June 9; June 23; July 14; July 28; August 25; September 8; September 16; and September 22.

Commissioner Harbin-Forte made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Peterson, to extend the meeting by one hour. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7 - Milele, Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Jackson, Hsieh, Jordan

**Nays:** 0

**Absent:** 0

Public Comment was made by 1 person (Jaffe)

Commissioner Harbin-Forte made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to approve meeting minutes for April 14; May 12; May 26; June 2; June 9; June 23; July 28; August 25; September 16; and September 22. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7 - Milele, Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Jackson, Hsieh, Jordan  
**Nays:** 0  
**Absent:** 0

Commissioner Hsieh made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Harbin-Forte, to approve the meeting minutes for July 14 and September 8 with the following amendments: Alternate Commissioner Ordaz was late and not absent (September 8), and the misspelling of Counsel's name should be corrected to "Bonny" (July 14). The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7 - Milele, Peterson, Harbin-Forte, Howell, Jackson, Hsieh, Jordan  
**Nays:** 0  
**Absent:** 0

### **XIII. Upcoming/Future Agenda Items**

Alternate Commissioner Ordaz suggested the following:

- Updating the timeline on the Pending Agenda Matters List
- Connecting with OIG and CPRA to add their proposed items and timelines
- Creating ad hocs to address matters on the list
- Ethics training

Commissioner Jackson suggested the following:

- Ceasefire
- Update for the parole and probation numbers

Alternate Commissioner Jackson-Castain suggested the following:

- Half-day retreat for strategic planning

Commissioner Hsieh suggested we invite the newly-elected District Attorney Pamela Price to speak on her new internal unit designed to investigate police officer misconduct

Commissioners discussed the best way to keep track of questions for agency heads and departments, including any followup required.

Public Comment was made by 2 persons (Olugbala; Jaffe).

### **XIV. Adjournment**

Chair Milele adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:03 a.m.