

NSA Ad Hoc Notes (7/2/2024)

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Meeting Minutes

Attendees

Chair Emeritus Regina Jackson

Chair Marsha Peterson

Pastor Jackie Thompson

Mariano Contreras

Jose Dorado

Deacon Reginald Lyles

Brigid Martin, OCA

Katina Ancar, OPC Legal

Tyler Rivera, OPC Lega

Mykah Montgomery, COS

Community members

Bobby Smith

Cathy Leonard

Main Topics Discussed:

- 1. Discussion on compliance with NSA (Negotiated Settlement Agreement)
- 2. Process and requirements for holding a closed session
- 3. City's readiness and sustainability in compliance
- 4. Community and police response time issues
- 5. Previous issues with document submissions and transparency
- 6. Role and future steps for the Police Commission
- 7. Coordination and communication with city attorneys and monitoring reports

Questions and Responses:

1. Pastor Jacqueline Thompson:

- **Question:** What needs to happen to have a closed session?
- Response (Chair Marsha Peterson): A closed session usually takes place prior to our regular meeting, requiring an agenda.

2. Pastor Jacqueline Thompson:

- Question: Does the city give any consideration to sustainability?
- Response (Brigid Martin): Yes, sustainability has been shown through dates of compliance, with tasks being in compliance for over a year.

3. Mariano Contreras:

- **Question:** When will the meeting of CMC stakeholders take place?
- Response (Brigid Martin): If we don't get the next monitor report by the last week of July, I'll set up the meeting.

4. Chair Marsha Peterson:

- Question: What is the city's position on the Police Commission being a successor to court oversight?
- Response (Brigid Martin): I feel uncomfortable discussing it further in a public meeting, suggesting a private meeting for confidentiality.

5. Chair Marsha Peterson:

- Question: When are you expecting the monitor's report?
- Response (Brigid Martin): I expect it to come in the next two weeks, but if it doesn't, we'll move forward without it.

Recommendations and Suggestions:

- **Brigid Martin:** Suggested reviewing a preliminary draft of the commission's statement for feedback, allowing for adjustments based on the monitor's report.
- Pastor Jacqueline Thompson: Recommended sharing the draft document early to allow for back-and-forth discussions and avoid last-minute changes.
- Chair Marsha Peterson: Emphasized starting the process of discussion and meeting early to avoid rushing against the deadline.
- Deacon Reginald Lyles: Recommended starting to back-channel discussions between attorneys to make effective use of time and clarify positions.

Next Steps:

1. Preparation and Submission of Draft:

- The ad hoc committee to prepare a draft of their statement and submit it for preliminary review.
- Allow for a back-and-forth process to refine the statement based on feedback.

2. Monitor Report Review:

- Await the next monitor report expected in the next two weeks.
- Adjust the statement based on findings from the monitor's report.

3. Meeting Setup:

- If the monitor's report is not received by the last week of July, Brigid Martin will set up a meeting with the CMC stakeholders.
- Schedule private, non-public meetings to discuss sensitive and confidential information.

4. Continued Collaboration:

- Ensure continuous communication and collaboration between the ad hoc committee, city attorneys, and other stakeholders.
- Focus on both the Commission's achievements and future plans in their statement.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 7/9 at 4:30

The draft document should be sent by Friday 7/5 to the ad hoc for review

Public Comments from Chat

Cathy Leonard 04:45 PM

Oakland native here too! Thank you all for highlighting your backgrounds and contributions to my, and some of your, hometown.

From Pastor Jacqueline Thompson to All Panelists 04:54 PM

Thank you for the clarity. May I ask what drives that position?

From Deacon Reginald Lyles to All Panelists 04:57 PM

That was not the position of this group. It was the opinion of two former members ONLY!

From Deacon Reginald Lyles to All Panelists 05:05 PM

For the audience's sake, what are tasks #5 and #45?

CMC Task 5 for the Oakland Police Department (OPD) under the Negotiated Settlement Agreement (NSA) focuses on complaint procedures and investigations. This task requires the OPD to establish and maintain policies and procedures for the receipt, processing, and investigation of complaints against department personnel. The aim is to ensure thorough, timely, and unbiased investigations of all complaints, thereby enhancing accountability and transparency within the department.

CMC Task 45 for the Oakland Police Department (OPD) is part of the broader oversight and reform measures under the Negotiated Settlement Agreement (NSA). Task 45 specifically involves the implementation and monitoring of new policies and procedures to ensure thorough and effective internal affairs investigations. This task aims to improve accountability within the department and ensure that investigations into police misconduct are conducted fairly and efficiently.

From Pastor Jacqueline Thompson to All Panelists 05:11 PM

Will the commission's opinion be included or considered if it is not aligned with the city? Not in terms of legal arguments but practical and cultural issues that must be in place to maintain it.

We have maintained compliance because we were still being monitored.

From Chair Marsha Peterson to All Panelists 05:13 PM

She stated that we were arguing legal opinions and therefore it was expunged. That is not completely true. But the OPC should develop its statement with the support of our legal counsel.

From Deacon Reginald Lyles to All Panelists 05:22 PM

All compliance by OPD has been forced through the NSA. Absolutely, none were initiated by OPD because of their Oath of Office, Ethics, Morality, or Professionalism.

Before filing deadline addendum deadline - last week in July and Brigid will contact the parties to speak - private non public meeting confidential.

Can the attorneys start talking now? Deacon Reginald Lyles

Share draft with attorney so the conversation can be taken into consideration early

When is the monitor's report?

Brigid August 12 around about usually they come in between. Maybe in the next two weeks

From Pastor Jacqueline Thompson to All Panelists 05:56 PM

Thank you again for coming. It was beneficial.