

# City of Columbia, Missouri

# **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

# Citizens Police Review Board

Wednesday, February 14, 2024
6:00 PM
Regular
Council Chamber
701 East Broadway
Columbia, Missouri

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Reece Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Denise Balazic, Stephanie Coleman, Reece Ellis, Douglas Hunt, Steven Jeffrey, Xavier Lee Scruggs, and Jamie Thornsberry

Excused Absence: None

Unexcused Absence: None

Staff Present: Assistant Chief Paul Dickinson, and Rose Wibbenmeyer

Members of the public were present.

# **II. INTRODUCTIONS**

There were introductions.

# III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Steven Jeffrey made a motion to approve the agenda. Xavier Lee Scruggs seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Steven Jeffrey made a motion to approve the draft open and closed meeting minutes of the January 10, 2024, regular meeting. Xavier Lee Scruggs seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

January 10, 2024 Regular Session Minutes-Draft

Attachments: 01 Jan 10 Meeting Minutes-Draft

January 10, 2024 Closed Meeting Draft Minutes

Steven Jeffrey made a motion to approve the draft open and closed meeting minutes of the January 10, 2024, regular meeting. Xavier Lee Scruggs seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# V. OLD BUSINESS

#### **Election of Officers**

The Board discussed the election of officers. Stephanie Coleman made a motion to appoint Doug Hunt as Chair. Denise Balazic seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephanie Coleman made a motion to appoint Steven Jeffrey as Vice Chair. Denise Balazic seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# Planning for Work Session on Police Policy 447

The Board discussed planning for the work session. Staff to send out another doodle poll with start time of 6pm.

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

## Items for Next Month's Agenda

The Board discussed the following items for next month's agenda. Old Business: Planning for work session on police policy 447

**New Business:** 

Appeal and jurisdictional Review Procedures Role of Staff Liaisons Productive Outreach and Direction of Outreach Efforts

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#### Reports:

Human Rights Commission
Positive Connections, Training and Ride Alongs

### VII. REPORTS

# **Human Rights Commission**

There was no report.

# Positive Connections, Training and Ride Alongs

Stephanie Coleman said that she gave presentations to two Forensics classes at Battle High School On Feb. 6, 2024.

# VIII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

Doug Hunt announced the time limits for individuals and groups. Members of the public commented. Mehrdad Fotoohighiam provided a handout and commented.

Chriss Jones commented on behalf of Hold CoMo Accountable. She commented on attendance at the city's retreat and the upcoming Citizens Summit in April. Chriss Jones requested the Board send a request that the Boards and Commissions be able to attend. Chriss Jones also spoke in support of Mehrdad Fotoohighiam and requested the Board send a memo to request that the Highway Patrol investigate.

Kendall Crockett appeared and addressed the Board about the untimely filing of a complaint regarding the 2021 incident. He then discussed an incident in September of last year. He will file another complaint.

Assistant Chief Paul Dickinson gave an update on Professional Standards Unit. He discussed reinstating a dashboard. He is also looking at use of force policies and deescalation training. They are sending four officers who are involved in training to PERF and another went to ICAT. They will be changing how they teach use of force and deescalation.

### IX. MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Steven Jeffrey made a motion to go into closed session to discuss records which are protected from disclosure by law, Sections 610.021(14) and 590.502 RSMo. Xavier Lee Scruggs seconded the motion.

Denise Balazic, Stephanie Coleman, Reece Ellis, Douglas Hunt, Steven Jeffrey, Xavier Lee Scruggs, and Jamie Thornsberry voted in favor of the motion. No one voted against the motion. No one abstained. The motion passed.

The open session of the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m. The Board adjourned to room 2A for closed session. The closed session ended at: 7:16 p.m.

### X. NEXT MEETING DATE

Next Regular Meeting March 13, 2024

## XI. ADJOURNMENT

The closed session ended at: 7:16 p.m.

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