# City of Columbia, Missouri

701 E. Broadway Columbia, Missouri



## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

6:00 PM

Regular

Council Chambers Columbia City Hall 701 E. Broadway

**Citizens Police Review Board** 

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Doug Hunt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

## II. INTRODUCTIONS

There were introductions.

## III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jamie Thornsberry made a motion to approve the agenda. Stephanie Coleman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 8, 2024 Draft Minutes

Attachments: May 8, 2024 Draft Minutes

Reece Ellis made a motion to approve the draft open meeting minutes of the May 8, 2024 regular meeting. Xavier Scruggs seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

May 8, 2024 Draft Closed Meeting Minutes

Reece Ellis made a motion to approve the draft closed meeting minutes of the May 8, 2024 closed session. Jamie Thornsberry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### V. OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Changes to Code Section 21-52(H) Status Update

Doug Hunt told the Board that the Council approved the Board's recommended changes.

**Productive Outreach Efforts** 

The Board discussed outreach efforts, the brochure rack card, and business cards, and the impact of SB 754.

Update on Pending State Legislation - Reece Ellis

Reece Ellis gave the Board an update on SB 754. The Board discussed SB 754 and its impacts. The Board discussed sending a recommendation to Council with the Board's recommendations. The Board will send staff their ideas regarding the Board's recommendation.

Audits of 2023 Complaints - Status Updates

The Board discussed their approach to the audit of 2023 complaints.

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

Review of Police Policies

The Board discussed plans for reviewing police policies. Jamie Thornsberry suggested waiting on the review of police policies. The Board reached consensus to wait.

New Ideas for Next Work Session

The Board passed this item to next month's agenda.

Report on Status of Technology Exploration - Assistant Chief Paul Dickinson

This report was passed to next month's agenda.

Items for Next Month's Agenda

The Board discussed the following items for next month's agenda. Additional items may be added later.

#### Old Business:

Audit of 2023 Complaints Status Update
Productive Outreach Efforts
Report on Status of Technology exploration-Assistant Chief Dickinson
Update on Pending State Legislation -Reece Ellis

#### New Business:

Board's recommendations on SB 754 impact Items for Next Month's Agenda

## Reports:

Human Rights Commission
Positive Connections, Training, Outreach and Ride Alongs

## VII. REPORTS

**Human Rights Commission** 

There was no report.

Positive Connections, Training and Ride Alongs

Xavier Scruggs reported a ridealong last Thursday, June 6, 2024, from noon to 4:00 p.m. with Officer Tony Parker.

Doug Hunt said that his request to speak at the North Central Neighborhood Association is paused at the moment due to the NCNA needing to find a date where a quorum could be in attendance.

## VIII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

Doug Hunt announced the time limits for individuals and groups. A member of the public commented. Chriss Jones commented on behalf of Hold CoMo Accountable. Chriss Jones discussed her attempts to get information on a suicide. She said that she had been told she would get it soon; instead, they declined to provide information due to the internal affairs investigation. Chriss Jones discussed her concerns about the police handling of the suicide. Chriss Jones asked about police CIT

training and stated that there were too many officers who have not been CIT trained.

Reece Ellis expressed his disappointment on the actions of the state legislature in adopting SB 754. Reece Ellis discussed how the Tennessee legislature effectively dissolved Nashville's civilian oversight board.

Doug Hunt also was disappointed in the legislation. Doug Hunt said that a balanced discussion is very important to quality feedback and trust in the community. Doug Hunt said it is heartbreaking after struggling to get to that point, to see things go away.

## IX. MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion to go into closed session to discuss records which are protected from disclosure by law, Sections 610.021(14) and 590.502 RSMo.

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 Scruggs seconded the motion.

Denise Balazic, Harry Castilow, Stephanie Coleman, Reece Ellis, Douglas Hunt, Xavier Lee Scruggs, Jamie Thornsberry, and Steven Jeffrey voted in favor of the motion.

No one voted against the motion. No one abstained.

The motion passed and the Board adjourned open session to go into closed session at 6:54 p.m.

The board met in conference room 2A for closed session.

#### X. NEXT MEETING DATE

Next Regular Meeting: July 10, 2024

## XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned from closed session at 7:46 p.m.