



City of Mountain View

Minutes - Final

Public Safety Advisory Board

Thursday, May 27, 2021

7:00 PM Video Conference with No Physical Meeting Location

1. CALL TO ORDER

Principal Management Analyst Melvin Gaines Called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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2. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Aiyar, Brodovsky, Frink, Langton, Sandhu, Tang, and Wang

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

The following members of the public spoke:

Tim Mackenzie provided comments suggesting the PSAB should consider the topic of school resource officers as an item to assess.

Dana Pede provided comments on behalf of the Mountain View Coalition for Police Reform and Accountability requesting that the PSAB review mental health first response as a work plan item and include holistic outreach to students about school resource officers.

Anna Marie Morales provided comments about school resource officers and mental health responses being items that the PSAB considers.

Sebastian Brisbois provided comments about Black and Hispanic residents having more contact with police and the need for the PSAB to keep this in mind when discussing public safety matters.

Alex Brown provided comments expressing excitement for the PSAB to work toward making improvements to Mountain View and wishing the PSAB good luck.

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Brown Act Training

Senior Assistant City Attorney Sandra Lee provided a presentation.

4.2 Council Advisory Bodies Handbook

Principal Management Analyst Melvin Gaines provided a presentation.

Public Comment opened at 8:12 pm.

The following members of the public provided comments:

*Jim Salsman
Tim Mackenzie*

Public Comment closed at 8:17 pm

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4.3

PSAB Work Plan Process

Police Captain Michael Canfield provided a presentation.

Public Comment opened at 8:27 pm.

The following members of the public spoke:

*Tim Mackenzie
Alex Brown
Anna Marie Morales
Salim Damerdji*

Public Comment closed at 8:35 pm

Police Captain Michael Canfield provided a presentation.

Public Comment opened at 8:27 pm.

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Alex Brown
Anna Marie Morales
Salim Damerdji

Public Comment closed at 8:35 pm

4.4

Nomination/Election of Board Chair

Member Brodovsky nominated Member Aiyar as Chair, seconded by Member Langton.

Public Comment opened at 8:40 pm

The following members of the public spoke:

*Tim Mackenzie
Alex Brown*

Anna Marie Morales

Public Comment closed at 8:41 pm

Member Brodovsky nominated Member Aiyar as Chair, seconded by Member Langton.

Public Comment opened at 8:40 pm

The following members of the public spoke:

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Public Comment closed at 8:41 pm

Yes: 4 - Aiyar, Brodovsky, Tang, and Wang

No: 3 - Frink, Langton, and Sandhu

4.5 Nomination/Election of Board Vice Chair

Member Langton nominated Member Frink as Vice-Chair, seconded by Member Sandhu.

Public Comment opened at 8:44 pm

The following members of the public spoke:

*Tim Mackenzie
Alex Brown
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Public Comment closed at 8:46 pm

Member Langton nominated Member Frink as Vice-Chair, seconded by Member Sandhu.

Public Comment opened at 8:44 pm

The following members of the public spoke:

Tim Mackenzie
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Public Comment closed at 8:46 pm

Yes: 5 - Aiyar, Frink, Langton, Sandhu, and Wang

No: 2 - Brodovsky, and Tang

5. BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS, QUESTIONS AND BOARD REPORTS

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Member Sandhu provided comments echoing Vice-Chair Frink's and would like to add a work plan item to discuss police officers doing more foot patrol as a means to improve community relations, and emphasized the importance of a work plan item on school resource officers.

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6. ADJOURNMENT

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