



PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING—THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024
PLAZA CONFERENCE ROOM AT CITY HALL—500 CASTRO STREET
7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Tang.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Board members Brodovsky, Frink, Langton, Souder, and Vice Chair Tang.

Absent: Chair Wang (excused).

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion—M/S Brodovsky/Frink—Carried 5-0-1; Wang absent—To approve the minutes of the April 25, 2024 meeting without modification.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC—None.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 WORK PLAN DISCUSSION—STEP 1

Assistant City Manager Audrey Seymour Ramberg presented this item.

Board members Brodovsky and Frink asked questions and received input from Ms. Ramberg.

The following member of the public spoke:

- Bruce England

Board members discussed the item and received input from Police Captain Saul Jaeger and Ms. Ramberg. The following potential projects for the 2024-25 PSAB Work Plan were suggested:

- Vehicle residents' needs and solutions;
- Technology use to enhance officer safety and efficiency;
- Legislative priorities input; and
- Ongoing forums on the future of community policing or other community engagement methods

5.2 UPDATE REGARDING THE MAY 30, 2024 FORUM ON FUTURE OF COMMUNITY POLICING

Board member Langton and Captain Jaeger presented this item.

Board member Brodovsky asked a question and received input from Police Captain Wahed Magee.

The following member of the public spoke:

- Bruce England

Board members discussed the item and received input from Ms. Ramberg.

5.3 ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR

Ms. Ramberg gave a brief review of the election process.

Vice Chair Tang was nominated and is willing to serve.

There were no public comments.

Board members had a roll call vote and unanimously elected Chair Tang.

5.4 ELECTION OF BOARD VICE CHAIR

Board member Souder was nominated and is not willing to serve.

Board member Brodovsky was nominated and is willing to serve.

Board member Frink was nominated and is willing to serve.

There were no public comments.

Board member Brodovsky declined the nomination.

Board members had a roll call vote and unanimously elected Vice Chair Frink.

5.5 AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES

Chair Tang presented an update from the Mental Health Crisis Response Ad Hoc Committee.

Vice Chair Frink and Board member Souder asked questions with input from Chair Tang and Ms. Ramberg.

Board member Brodovsky and Captain Magee presented an update from the Youth Substance Abuse Trends and Prevention Resources Ad Hoc Committee.

There were no public comments.

6. BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, BOARD REPORTS

Vice Chair Frink commented on the Castro Street changes with input from Ms. Ramberg.

Chair Tang commented on pedestrian safety on Castro Street.

Vice Chair Frink commented on decorative aspects of Castro Street with input from Ms. Ramberg.

Chair Tang commented on the recent change in PSAB membership and how that might affect the other Board members. Board members commented on their engagement in PSAB.

Board member Langton commented on previous PSAB staff liaison Melvin Gaines, who is now the City Manager in East Palo Alto.

Vice Chair Frink thanked the Police Department for their time.

Ms. Ramberg communicated that an additional item would be added to the June 20 PSAB Agenda regarding the potential revenue measure.

Vice Chair Frink asked about the process for remotely attending a PSAB meeting with input from Ms. Ramberg. Ms. Ramberg also commented on the Brown Act-amended exceptions which now include contagious illness.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

These Minutes are hereby submitted for approval by Michal Schultz, Recording Secretary.

Approved on _____.

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