PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 15, 2020 @ 4:00PM ZOOM Conference Meeting Online

Call to order

Chairperson Tyson Begly called to order the regular meeting of the Public Safety Advisory Commission at 4:05 p.m.

The following commission members were present: Byron Hickey, Dr. D. Edwards Jr., Donald Watkins, Stan Swiney, Lisa Branchcomb, Tyson Begly, Alexander King and Pete Temesgen.

Absence: Noel Danielwicz, Geraldine Buckner, and Julio Portillo

Visitors: Captain William Turner, Suzanne Landrigan

Approval for September 2020 Minutes will get approved at next meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2020

Minutes Approved, 1st Motion: No Approval 2nd Motion: No Approval

Chair Tyson Begley Welcomed the Commission

Chairperson Tyson Begly welcomed the commission.

Captain W. Turner from Columbus Police Department/Bureau of Support Services

Captain William Turner spoke to the commission on how the video cameras are used and maintained by the Columbus Police Department.

Every police officer is issued a camera.

Discussed video recording policies and training on using the video cameras.

Discussion on how police must activate the camera when they are on any calls. The officer turns on the camera when contact is made with a citizen.

When the video camera card is full, the officer turns it in to Property & Evidence. The video techs will download the camera video to the server.

Evidence Tech, Suzanne Landrigan explained the procedures of her having to download all the camera video cards that are given to her.

Supervisors (Sergeants and Above) will go and randomly check the camera footage from police officers' cameras.

The retention time on keeping the video is 180 days (6 months).

A very lengthy discussion with Captain Turner and the commission on the policy of using video cameras. The discussion concerned any problems with the cameras, hiring more people to download the video, new software.

Several commission members discussed making sure that every officer in the Columbus Police Department who has a camera be checked every year.

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Have a higher budget to get better quality cameras and hire more technicians.

Captain Turner told the commission that he will get with Chief Boren and mention the meeting and the discussion concerning the cameras

New Commission Members

Mr. Begley presented two (2) new commission members to the commission, Alexander King (District 10) and Stan Swiney (District 6).

Adjournment

Mr. Tyson Begly thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Mr. Begly thanked the commission for them choosing him as Chairperson and that this will be his last meeting, and his time with the commission ends October 31, 2020.

Next Meeting

PSAC Meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 4 p.m., ZOOM Conference Meeting.

Deborah Gasaway		
Recording Secretary		
Submitted by:	Approved:	