



AGENDA

COMMUNITY POLICE OVERSIGHT BOARD

A Regular Meeting via Teleconference

Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers, La Mesa City Hall
8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California

This meeting is being conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Public Comments for Items on the Agenda

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the CPOB on subjects within the jurisdiction of the CPOB. Unless such subjects are contained within this agenda, there can be no discussion or action by the CPOB until a subsequent, publicly noticed meeting.

CURRENT BUSINESS

- 1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE COMMUNITY POLICE OVERSIGHT BOARD REGULAR MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021**
- 2. LA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE REGARDING SCHEDULE AND TENTATIVE LOCATIONS FOR COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSIONS**
- 3. PRESENTATION REGARDING LA MESA HOMELESS OUTREACH AND MOBILE ENGAGEMENT (“HOME”) PROGRAM AND EAST COUNTY HOMELESS TASK FORCE**

STAFF AND BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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State of California**ELECTIONS CODE****Section 9**

9. (a) Counting of words, for purposes of this code, shall be as follows:
- (1) Punctuation is not counted.
 - (2) Each word shall be counted as one word except as specified in this section.
 - (3) All proper nouns, including geographical names, shall be considered as one word; for example, "City and County of San Francisco" shall be counted as one word.
 - (4) Each abbreviation for a word, phrase, or expression shall be counted as one word.
 - (5) Hyphenated words that appear in any generally available standard reference dictionary, published in the United States at any time within the 10 calendar years immediately preceding the election for which the words are counted, shall be considered as one word. Each part of all other hyphenated words shall be counted as a separate word.
 - (6) Dates shall be counted as one word.
 - (7) Any number consisting of a digit or digits shall be considered as one word. Any number which is spelled, such as "one," shall be considered as a separate word or words. "One" shall be counted as one word whereas "one hundred" shall be counted as two words. "100" shall be counted as one word.
 - (8) Telephone numbers shall be counted as one word.
 - (9) Internet Web site addresses shall be counted as one word.
- (b) This section shall not apply to counting words for ballot designations under Section 13107.

(Amended by Stats. 2014, Ch. 697, Sec. 3. (SB 1253) Effective January 1, 2015.)



**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City of La Mesa
Community Police Oversight Board
June 16, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California**

This meeting was conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Castaños called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL (X indicates present)

Chair Castaños	X
Vice Chair Dillard	X
Board Member Darby	X
Board Member Davis	
Board Member Duff	X
Board Member Fuentes	X (arrived at 4:03 p.m.)
Board Member Johnson	X
Board Member Kertson	X
Board Member McWilliams	X
Board Member Sylvester	X
Board Member Tiffany	X

Others present: Assistant City Manager Tomaino; City Clerk Wiegelman; General Counsel Larson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

City Clerk Wiegelman read aloud the first 300 words of the emailed public comments submitted the day of the Community Police Oversight Board (“CPOB”) meeting.

Sarah Young submitted a comment regarding the City’s biennial community survey.

CURRENT BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE COMMUNITY POLICE OVERSIGHT BOARD REGULAR MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021

ACTION: Motioned by Board Member Darby and seconded by Board Member Duff to approve the minutes for the CPOB Regular meeting held Wednesday, June 2, 2021.

Vote: 10-0

Yes: Chair Castaños, Vice Chair Dillard, Board Members Darby, Duff, Fuentes, Johnson, Kertson, McWilliams, Sylvester, and Tiffany

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Board Member Davis

Motion passed.

2. LA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

There were no updates from the La Mesa Police Department ("LMPD").

3. FINAL REVIEW OF THE COMPLAINT PROCESS HANDBOOK, FLOW CHART, AND FORM

Chair Castaños asked if there were any questions or concerns on the recent changes and updates made to the Complaint Process Handbook, Flow Chart, and/or Form and if there were any additional recommendations.

General Counsel Larson reviewed General Counsel's suggested changes and updates to the Complaint Process Handbook, Flow Chart, and Form.

Following Board questions and comments, no action was taken.

4. PRESENTATION FROM THE LA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT REGARDING PROPOSED PUBLIC SAFETY VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM POLICY

Captain Nicholass provided an overview of the purpose and content of the proposed public safety video surveillance system policy.

City Clerk Wiegelman read aloud the first 300 words of the emailed public comments submitted the day of the CPOB meeting.

Andy Trimlett submitted a comment inquiring about the facial recognition capabilities of the video surveillance system.

Following Board questions and comments, no action was taken.

5. DISCUSSION REGARDING TOPICS FOR PROPOSED COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSIONS

City Clerk Wiegelman read aloud the first 300 words of the emailed public comments submitted the day of the CPOB meeting.

Sarah Young submitted a comment proposing a community listening session to discuss meaningful police outreach.

Theresa A. submitted a comment on reaching those most affected by the police department policies.

Andy Trimlett submitted a comment recommending topics for the proposed community listening sessions.

Assistant City Manager Tomaino explained the purpose for holding community listening sessions.

Acting Police Chief Sweeney explained why the LMPD was interested in holding community listening sessions and what the LMPD hoped to learn from the community listening sessions. Acting Police Chief Sweeney provided an overview of SPIDR Tech, a new communication tool the LMPD would be implementing.

Assistant City Manager Tomaino stated staff would return to the CPOB with a proposed schedule for the community listening sessions for CPOB consideration and approval.

Following Board questions and comments, no action was taken.

STAFF AND BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assistant City Manager Tomaino provided an update on the CPOB membership to the National Association for Civilian Citizens Oversight of Law Enforcement and other related organizations, the General Counsel retainer, the re-opening of City Hall, and the CPOB's request to the City Council to conduct a new community survey.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Castaños adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.