



**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City of La Mesa
Community Police Oversight Board
May 5, 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 4:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL (X indicates present)

Chair Castaños	X
Vice Chair Dillard	X
Board Member Darby	X
Board Member Davis	X
Board Member Duff	X
Board Member Fuentes	X
Board Member Johnson	X
Board Member Kertson	X (arrived at 4:51 p.m.)
Board Member McWilliams	X
Board Member Sylvester	X
Board Member Tiffany	X

Others present: Assistant City Manager Tomaino; Lieutenant Bell; City Clerk Wiegelman; Senior Management Analyst Dedmon; General Counsel Chiappetti.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Dillard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CURRENT BUSINESS

1. LA MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Lieutenant Bell provided an update on the efforts of the ad hoc subcommittee reviewing the complaint handbook and form and introduced Detective Garcia who would be providing the CPOB with information on the LMPD hiring and training processes.

No action was taken on this Item.

2. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF DRAFT COMMUNITY POLICE OVERSIGHT BOARD WORK PLAN

A discussion ensued between the CPOB Board Members and staff regarding updates and changes to the CPOB Work Plan.

Following Board questions and comments, no action was taken.

3. OVERVIEW OF POLICE OFFICER TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION THROUGH THE CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING (“POST”) TO INCLUDE THE POLICE ACADEMY, FIELD TRAINING, AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

Detective Garcia provided a PowerPoint presentation on officer hiring, training, and certification, highlighting California POST, the LMPD ideal candidate values, the application and testing process, background investigations, the San Diego Regional Police Academy, phase training, and LMPD required training.

Detective Garcia announced the three dates for the *Dynamics of a Traffic Stop* training. The training dates were as follows:

- Wednesday, May 19, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., at the LMPD
- Tuesday, May 25, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., at the LMPD
- Wednesday, June 2, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., at the LMPD

Following Board questions and comments, no action was taken.

STAFF AND BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Wiegelman announced the updated internship program application was available on the City’s website and the updated internship program flyer would be added to the City’s website when completed.

Board Member Duff inquired about the format and location for future meetings.

Assistant City Manager Tomaino responded to Board Member Duff’s questions.

Assistant City Manager Tomaino stated there could be flexibility with the start times of the *Dynamics of a Traffic Stop* trainings and provided an update on the Request for Proposals for the Independent Police Auditor.

Board Member McWilliams spoke on including training input and recommendations to the CPOB Work Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Castaños adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.