

MEETING MINUTES

Chief's Advisory Committee (In Person) Thursday, March 28, 2024

Committee Members Present: W. Dwayne Maynard (Chair), Kimberly Hollie (Vice Chair), Emmet Apolinario, Gaurav Goel, Yanling Yin, Susan Ortega, Alex O'Ryan, Rama Billakenty; Chief Justin Páez, Deputy Chief Greg Lattanzi, Officer Amber McCloskey, Rebecca Myers; two guests were in attendance

Minutes by: Becky Metcalf

Welcome to Committee by Chief Páez

Chief Páez welcomed the committee to the meeting. Thanked all who attended the joint meeting in February. Quorum in attendance. Chief Páez deferred to Chair Maynard for opening remarks.

Chair Maynard welcomed and thanked all for attending. Welcomed back Vice Chair Hollie. Chair Maynard continued his focus, sharing his thoughts thinking globally, being aware nationally and being focused locally.

Committee Business

Chair Maynard deferred to Chief Páez to call roll and thanked all for coming out to the meeting for this important undertaking.

Attendance

Chief Justin Páez called roll for the meeting:

Chair Dwayne Maynard – present

Vice Chair Kimberly Hollie – present

Mr. Emmet Apolinario – present

Mr. Gaurav Goel – present

Mr. Alex O'Rvan – present

Ms. Susan Ortega – present

Ms. Yanling Yin – present

Ms. Rama Billakenty – present

Ms. Zhen Xing – not present

Review/Amend/Adopt Last Meeting's Minutes

Chair Maynard asked if all had an opportunity to review minutes from the January 18, 2024 meeting. All had an opportunity to review the minutes. Chair Maynard asked if there were any additions, corrections or amendments; there were none. Chair Maynard asked for a motion to adopt the minutes from the January 18, 2024 meeting. Gaurav Goel motioned to adopt the minutes and Alex O'Ryan seconded the motion.

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Chief Páez polled the members for their vote to approve the minutes for the January 18, 2024 meeting: Chair Maynard, Yes; Vice Chair Kimberly Hollie, Yes; Emmet Apolinario, Yes; Gaurav Goel, Yes; Susan Ortega, Yes; Yanling Yin, Yes; Alex O'Ryan, Yes.

The minutes for January 16, 2024 were adopted and approved.

Chair Maynard asked if all had an opportunity to review minutes from the February 15, 2024 Joint Advisory meeting. All had an opportunity to review the minutes. Chair Maynard would like to have a discussion, if possible, about what took place at the joint advisory meeting. Will do that in old business. Chair Maynard asked if there were any additions, corrections or amendments; there were none. Chair Maynard asked for a motion to adopt the minutes from the February 15, 2024 Joint Advisory Meeting. Emmet Apolinario motioned to adopt the minutes and Rama Billakenty seconded the motion.

Chief Páez polled the members for their vote to approve the minutes for the February 15, 2024 Joint Advisory meeting: Chair Maynard, Yes; Vice Chair Kimberly Hollie, Yes; Emmet Apolinario, Yes; Gaurav Goel, Yes; Susan Ortega, Yes; Yanling Yin, Yes; Alex O'Ryan, Yes.

The minutes for the February 15, 2024 Joint Advisory meeting were adopted and approved.

Old Business and Public Commentary

Rebecca advised there was no public commentary. Chair Maynard asked if there were any comments about the joint meeting that most attended. Yanling Yin commented that it was nice for all to get together and good to have an opportunity to speak about the importance of public safety for the community. Gaurav Goel liked how the meeting was set up and the amount of engagement involved. Susan Ortega commented that they needed more time. Rama Billakenty commented that it was nice to have a discussion rather than a presentation. Chair Maynard advised that it was good to see and meet others from the other committees. Chief Páez appreciated the participation from CAC members that were able to attend.

Yanling Yin asked in reference to the incident that happened in Baltimore with the bridge, how we would provide safety education to our communities about escaping from a submerged vehicle. Chief Páez replied that we currently do not have any training for that now but would consider a partnership in training with the fire department.

New Business

Chief Páez shared the analyses that the department conducts every year. Response to Resistance, Motor Vehicle Pursuit, and Non-Bias Based policing. Chief Páez deferred to DC Lattanzi to present the information.

DC Lattanzi shared information on the analyses.

Non-Bias based Policing

- -0 citizen complaints for alleged bias in 2023
- -training was conducted in 2023 with Dr. Linda Burrs on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- -there is also an administrative review of the policy annually
- -the department did make changes to restraining a pregnant offender; Yanling Yin asked how we recognize if they are pregnant; DC Lattanzi responded that if taken into custody we do ask them

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if they are pregnant or are post-partum; Chair Maynard asked what was changed; DC Lattanzi advised that there were changes to some of the statutory requirements.

Outreach efforts

-community liaison officers (Brown, Ives-Stone, McCloskey, Nichelson, Quintanilla); Chair Maynard asked if there was an addition due to retirement; DC Lattanzi advised that the additional officer was added for the benefit of the department and the community. Rebecca Myers will send the webpage for the group of the community liaison program.

Yanling Yin thanked the Chief and officers that attended the Chinese New Year Celebration.

DC Lattanzi shared that traffic crashes are used to collect a sample of at fault drivers. Using traffic crash data as a traffic stop benchmark has several advantages and is the most unbiased way to collect that data.

Data Coding

Race Codes/Sex Codes

Yanling Yin asked if they identify as non-binary how do they report; DC Lattanzi advised they use sex identified at birth; Yanling Yin inquired if officers ask that question. DC Lattanzi advised they do not ask, it is taken from data that is available or the individual tells them. Gaurav Goel asked if the data coding comes from a national level. Chief Páez advised there is a projection of expanding those codes around 2025. Rama Billakenty asked if in the future we would see more race codes. Chief Páez does not know for certain but could see those being expanded. DC Lattanzi advised that they get data if recorded previously, from their license, or observation of what the officer perceives.

Susan Ortega asked if there is any data collected if they are Dublin residents. DC Lattanzi advised that is not something that is collected.

Alex O'Ryan asked how this information is utilized and what you are concluding. DC Lattanzi advised the conclusions would be shared later in the presentation. Chair Maynard asked what qualifies as suspicious activity/person. DC Lattanzi offered that an officer would have to be able to articulate that there is a reasonable suspicion that someone is involved in criminal activity.

Susan Ortega commented that was why she asked about collecting residential data; we educate our residents but those travelling through the community do not have access to that education.

Officer McCloskey clarified that the data collected is not only Dublin residents; it encompasses anyone that lives or travels into the community.

DC Lattanzi reviewed recommendations as a result of the report. The report will be sent out to all members for review.

2023 Response to Resistance 2023 – 9; 2022 – 23; 2021 - 20

The threshold of a response to resistance is using more than just handcuffing.

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2023 Use of Firearm

2023 - 4 instances of pointing a firearm at an individual

- -burglary in progress (2)
- -stolen motor vehicle
- -suspicious person brandishing a firearm inside of a vehicle

2023 Vehicle Pursuits

-zero (0) in 2023

Certain categories must be met in order to engage in a pursuit, for example:

- -necessity for apprehension must outweigh risk associated with pursuit
- -officers are permitted to pursue fleeing vehicles
 - -when officer reasonably believes a crime has occurred that involved the threatened, attempted or actual infliction of serious physical harm
 - -when an officer reasonably believes an abduction or kidnapping has occurred.
 - -when a vehicle is operated by a subject whose threats or actions create or have created a strong probability of serious physical harm to others prior to the initiation of any pursuit

Emmet Apolinario asked what happens if an officer is in pursuit that travels into another jurisdiction. DC Lattanzi shared that it depends on our supervisors determining if the pursuit should continue or be terminated.

Susan Ortega asked if you could pass the pursuit along to another agency. DC Lattanzi advised that is something that we could do but that would then be up to that agency to determine if they would like to pursue.

Chair Maynard asked about the use of a drone in those situations. DC Lattanzi advised that we could but that is dependent on line of site.

Yanling Yin asked who can fly the drones. DC Lattanzi advised that we have a number of trained drone pilots (officers) that can operate the drones.

Guest shared how impressed she was with the amount of data that is collected by the department.

Chief's Update

Chief Páez shared information on the incident that occurred Monday evening in the Bridge Park Area. Only two (2) calls were received reporting the incident. Some body camera footage was shared. Additionally, Rebecca Myers shared the social media information, which was utilized during and after the incident to keep citizens informed of the situation.

Susan Ortega was surprised that only two (2) calls were received regarding the incident. She also asked what kind of follow-up is conducted with the officers that were involved. Chief advised that there would be an after action debrief to review the entire incident.

Gaurav Goel asked if there is a public safety medium where they can receive alerts pushed out to the public. Rebecca Myers advised that her team is looking at a text service. She can share that information at a future meeting.

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Rebecca Myers advised that there is the GoDublin app that the city can utilize to push out information; they have not utilized it in that fashion but it can be utilized that way. Gaurav Goel asked if the department is in search of new technology to approach these types of situations. Chief Páez shared that there are some technology pieces that the city is looking at; autonomous drones in the Bridge Park area, and use of an indoor drone. Susan Ortega suggests a universal key fob for use by police in that area. DC Lattanzi shared that our officers have done a great job working with Crawford Hoying to find solutions.

Chief Páez shared information on the statewide policing standards pilot program and the department's involvement. Governor DeWine announced the program that agencies can participate in free of charge. Dublin in one of 10 to be the first to move forward in this program. Chair Maynard shared that if you look at the points in the pilot program many are topics that the committee has discussed.

Chair Maynard shared that May is when some terms come to an end and new members will likely join in June. He asked all CAC members to reflect on what they have been through, what is important that they have covered, what is important for the new members to have.

Chief Páez shared that at the next meeting DC Tabernik will bring back more information on the reunification program and provide an update on the Public Safety Services Coordinator and the services she provides.

With the end of the discussion, Chair Maynard then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alex O'Ryan motioned to adjourn the meeting and Vice Chair Hollie seconded the motion. All responded in favor and the meeting officially adjourned without objection at 7:56 PM.

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