

Alameda County SB823 Subcommittee Meeting Minutes - Special Meeting 11.04.21

12:30pm - 12:40pm

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Subcommittee Members In Attendance:

Interim Chief Marcus Dawal, ACPD
Alphonso Mance, PD
Michelle Love, ACSS
Juan Taizan, ACBH
Hon. Ursula Jones-Dickson, Juvenile Court
Monica Vaughan, ACOE
Andrea Zambrana, Conflict Counsel

Vamsey Palagummi, JJDPC
Emily Young, DPN
Ericson Amaya, FOK
Kimberly Sanchez, District 1 Representative
Erin Palacios, District 3 Representative
Trevor Arceneaux, District 4 Representative
Xochtil Larios, Youth Representative

1. Call to Order & Roll Call
 - a. Meeting called to order by Interim Chief Dawal at 12:30 pm
 - b. Roll call was taken by Deputy Chief Chambers
2. Opening Remarks
 - a. Chief Dawal
 - i. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: County Counsel reached out to let me know that the ratification of continued teleconference meetings need to occur monthly and advised that we hold a special meeting at the same time as our regular meeting to ensure compliance with virtual meetings. We need to reconsider and vote on the virtual meeting and vote to ratify previous votes taken on 11/1.
 - ii. Ray Lara, County Counsel: When AB 361 came out there was the 30-day notice provision; BOS wasn't able to re-ratify its virtual meeting until Tuesday which occurred before the Monday meeting. In order to be consistent, we are advising all committees, subcommittees, and boards to ratify every 30 days as well.

- iii. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: Davida Scott has resigned from the committee, I accepted her resignation effective 11/2/21. There is no replacement at this time, when that does happen the subcommittee will be notified.
3. Reconsider the continuing declaration of emergency and the recommendations for social distancing issued by the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency Director and adopt findings in support of continued teleconferenced meetings under Assembly Bill 361. Discussion and Action.
 - a. Discussion, Public Comment, & Action
 - b. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: I make a motion to reconsider the continuing declaration of emergency and the recommendations for social distancing issued by the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency Director and adopt findings in support of continued teleconferenced meetings under Assembly Bill 361; seconded by Al Mance.
 - c. Erin Palacios, District 3 Representative: I want to make sure we understand how we are using virtual meetings; who is administering the technology? Who is the host of the meeting?
 - i. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: ACPD is the host.
 - d. Erin Palacios, District 3 Representative: I don't want to see subcommittee members and the community muted or their hands put down. If people are going to be pushed out of meetings it should be made public. We need to follow those rules if we are going to continue to use this technology
 - e. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: We need to be clear that anyone has the ability to mute someone; ACPD is not muting people. This is not an ideal setting or situation, people have the ability to talk, there needs to be some coordination, that's why we've asked people to use the raised hand feature; it takes both sides for us to be productive in this setting
 - i. Erin Palacios, District 3 Representative: Anyone can mute anyone? Can we disable that feature?
 - ii. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: Yes.
 - f. Kelly Thompson, District 5 Representative: Can Impact Justice host these meetings to have a neutral party?
 - i. Donna Linton, Impact Justice: That's something that may be considered, however, this is our last meeting, whether or not Impact Justice will be moving forward with this subcommittee in 2022 is yet to be determined.
 - g. Kelly Thompson, District 5 Representative: Whomever we work with in the future could be that neutral third party to host meetings. I also wanted to talk about a subcommittee member leaving the subcommittee. I don't know what the reasons were, but I know when I was in the meeting two weeks ago I felt like the comments in the chat were quite threatening to the subcommittee members. I want to address us talking about civility in these meetings. I wasn't being personally attacked as a subcommittee member, but an attack on any of the subcommittee members is an attack on all of us and I feel like there are some issues around we should be able to vote publicly and we shouldn't feel like, no matter what side of the issues we come out on, we're going to be personally attacked. I was very unsettled after that meeting. I want to be able to vote freely without any issues; I hope the subcommittee and the community can appreciate the time we are putting into this as volunteers.
 - h. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: I hear everyone's feedback on the technical issues, we will take them into consideration and come up with something that addresses those concerns. I want to acknowledge Representative Thompson's comments, she raised some very pertinent points, I think we can all empathize and understand her perspective, I appreciate you sharing that

information.

- i. Roll call vote was taken by Deputy Chief Chambers on the motion before the subcommittee
 - i. 13 in favor; 1 abstention
 1. The motion passed
4. Ratify all actions taken by the subcommittee at the November 1, 2021, meeting. Discussion and Action.
 - a. Discussion, Public Comment, & Action
 - b. Interim Chief Dawal, ACPD: We're also required to ratify our last meetings vote; I make a motion to ratify all actions taken by the subcommittee at the 11.1 meetings; seconded by Erin Palacios.
 - i. 13 in favor; 1 abstention
5. Meeting adjourned at 12:50