



Greensboro Criminal Justice Advisory Commission

Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2019

The Greensboro Criminal Justice Advisory Commission (GCJAC) convened its monthly meeting at 6:02pm on the above date in the Nussbaum Room at Central Library. Chair David Sevier led the meeting.

Commissioners Present: Sevier, Nazim, Friedland, Jalloh & Webb

Commissioners Absent: Gethers- Clark, & Phillips

PCRB Members present: K. Brown & Q. Brown

PCRB Members absent: O'Brien

Staff Present: Latisha McNeil, Criminal Justice Administrator, & GPD Captain N. Davis

Legal Department present: Rosetta Davis, Assistant City Attorney & Andrea Harrell, Police Attorney

I. Call to Order:

Chair Sevier called the meeting to order at 6:06pm

II. Moment of Silence:

The meeting opened with a moment of silence

III. Meeting Minutes:

A Motion was made by Commissioner Nazim and 2nd by Committee member K. Brown to approve the meeting minutes from the March 2019 meeting. The minutes were approved in a unanimous vote

IV. GCJAC Forum 6/26/19 Poverty and Criminal Justice

The location for the forum will be Barber Park Event Center. The forum will be led by Commissioners Gethers- Clark and Friedland. The GCJAC is working to make the forum a success within the community. Advertisements will be run around the city including inside the City buses. There will also be flyers printed as well. We will also send invitations, so please provide any contact information for people you wish to receive email invitations.

V. Police Simulator Training

The GCJAC will have the opportunity to participate in the police simulator training. The training will be held May 9, 2019. There will be an alternate date available as will Andrea Harrell will work with Latisha McNeil to coordinator that date. Committee member Q. Brown asked the purpose of the commission participating in the training. Capt. Davis explained that the simulator is a training tool used to train officers and to offer live action scenarios that show reaction times and is used to provide training for intense scenarios. Chair Sevier stated that it could help the commissioners experience what officers may



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go through and offer another perspective to policing. Commissioners will also be able to participate in a Ride-Along with GPD. Discussions continued balancing perspectives with independence.

May 16, 2019 Meeting

May 16, 2019 meeting will be canceled due to several commissioners being unable to attend.

VI. Use of Force Study Committee

The restraint device subcommittee that was formed to work with the Greensboro Police Department restraint task force produced a separate report on restraint devices that was provided to the Mayor for review. The report will also be included in the annual GCJAC report. The subcommittee will expand its scope and look at Use of Force. Discussion centered on the types of issues the subcommittee will review. Commissioner Friedland spoke about breaking use of force into several areas: who should be restrained, transporting individuals, what 3rd parties should be on scene during restraint and or transport and what procedures will be used for use of force. Further discussion continued to include whether HIPAA (medical privacy) should be considered and obtaining data on all uses of force. The GCJAC will be receiving de-identified data on all complaints from GPD. That data will be used by the commission to track trends. The Use of Force committee (Commissioners, Phillips, Nazim, Friedland, & PCRB Committee member Q. Brown) will meet outside of the regular GCJAC monthly meetings and provide an update for the body at the next GCJAC meeting. Capt. Davis shared that the data collected will help to track trends on Use of Force and also explained that any use of force is documented by an administrative investigation and captured on body worn camera footage and certain police actions will trigger automatic body worn camera enabling.

VII. Other Discussion

Committee member Q. Brown discussed concerns with getting literature about the GCJAC printed and the accessibility for people to file complaints to the board. Commissioner Jalloh stated that she would like the brochure to include the vision, mission statement and contact information.

O. Brown asked about the power of the board. City Attorney Davis explained that GCJAC is not an investigatory board and that the commission is an advisory, review body.

Motion to adjourn was made by K. Brown & 2nd by Commissioner Nazim @ 7:04pm