



Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing Race, Ethnicity and Other Subcommittee July Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 18, 2019, 6:00 – 8:00p
The PCCEP Office – 525 NE Oregon St. Ste.250., Portland OR 97232

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sam Sachs, Lakayana Drury, Marcia Perez

AGENDA

Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks – Subcommittee Chair Sam Sachs welcomes the community for attending the listening session • Next Set Standing Meeting Date: Thursday, August 22nd from 5:30-7pm at the PCCEP office: https://www.portlandoregon.gov/pcccep/article/740461
Body Cameras	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions asked; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>What are some of the benefits of having body cameras?</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Court documentation of police interaction - Good opportunity for police accountability - Protects both police officers and community members - Capturing police officers following policies and procedures ○ <u>What are some of the potential drawbacks of having body cameras?</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Who gets to see the footage and who gets to control it (access concerns) - Laws on public information (privacy concerns) - Victim protection rights that may be violated - May not lead to positive change (e.g. current body camera programs in other cities with events of police force) - Power Dynamics - Flaws in the program contract ○ <u>What stipulations do we have before we would feel safe implementing body cameras?</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Random selection of officers for the pilot program - Video footage vs. bystander footage -The amount of public access
Police Accountability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>What challenges do we see in accountability with PPB?</u> ○ <u>What does accountability look like for the community?</u>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>What recommendations do we have for PPB for accountability with communities of color?</u>
<p>Gun Violence Reduction Team (GVRT)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabled due to time limit • Questions asked; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>What are some of the benefits, if any, of GVRT?</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lower rates of gun violence - Prevents future gun violence - Program reports/ focuses on all gun violence not just gangs - Officers get familiar with the community ○ <u>What concerns do we have with GVRT?</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Targets people of color - Change the name of the program but not the behavior (previously known as the Gang Violence Reduction Team) - Targets gang members - Assumptions that are made ○ <u>What recommendations would we give to Portland Police Bureau in regards to GVRT</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What other changes have been made aside from the program name - What is the programs vision and goals - Become familiar with the community - More positive outcomes • Closing remarks- Next meeting will focus on the Gun Violence Reduction Team