Police Oversight Task Force
December 18, 2013
5:30 p.m.

Summary Minutes

Members present*: Frances Armijo Ralph Arellanes (Telephonic) Hans Erickson Nancy Koenigsberg Andrew Lipman Craig Loy Edmund Perea Peter Simonson Alan Wagman Leonard Waites

Council staff present: Stephanie Yara Julian Moya Chris Melendrez Mandi Hinojos

Excused: Fabrizio Bertoletti

Others present: Dr. Bruce Perlman, School of Public Administration, UNM Timothy Karpoff

*Reflects members present when the meeting is called to order. Any excused absences will be reflected in actions taken in the summary minutes.

1. Call to order

   Mr. Lipman called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

   Mr. Loy made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Reconsideration of Supermajority rule for POTF Recommendations.

Ms. Koenigsberg moved to reconsider a motion made by Mr. Loy at the last meeting which stated that a supermajority, which is two thirds of the members present, be required to send final recommendations of the Task Force to the City Council. The motion passed on a six to three vote. Mr. Loy, Ms. Armijo, and Mr. Perea voted against, Mr. Bertoletti was excused.

Mr. Melendrez stated that according to Council rules of procedure, a supermajority of the Task Force would be seven members.

After brief discussion, Mr. Lipman restated a motion made by Mr. Loy to require a supermajority vote to send Task Force recommendations to the City Council. The motion failed on a two to seven vote. Mr. Loy and Mr. Perea voted in favor. Mr. Bertoletti was excused.

4. Clarification on Accepting Public Comment

Mr. Lipman gave a short recap of the discussion at the last meeting regarding public comment. After a brief discussion among the members, Mr. Loy made a motion to no longer hear public comment at Task Force meetings. The motion failed on a two to six vote. Mr. Loy and Ms. Armijo voted in favor. Mr. Bertoletti and Mr. Arellanes were excused.

Mr. Lipman opened the floor to the public for comment with a two minute limit.

Mr. Arasim addressed the Task Force regarding stringent qualification requirements for police officers and Police Oversight Commission members. He also urged the Task Force to view his emails and videos.

Mr. Niemyjski addressed the Task Force regarding outside influence on the Task Force.

5. Approval of Summary Minutes

Mr. Wagman pointed out a correction on page four. Mr. Lipman made a motion to approve the December 11, 2013 summary minutes as corrected. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Bertoletti and Mr. Arellanes were excused.

6. Address from POC Chair David Cameron

Mr. Cameron introduced himself to the Task Force and stated he looked forward to reaching the POC and the POTF’s mutual goal of strengthening the police force and regaining community respect in Albuquerque.

Discussion ensued on the ways to identify issues and possible solutions in order to achieve the aforementioned mutual goal.

7. Letter to Mayor Regarding APOA Contract Negotiations

Ms. Koenigsberg distributed a letter she drafted asking the City Council to urge the Mayor’s office to engage in contract negotiations with APD in such a way that it does not hamper the ability of the POC to exercise its oversight function of the Police Department by dealing with budgetary issues and staying the negotiations on the rest of the contract until the Task Force submits their recommendations to the City Council.
After a brief discussion, Ms. Koenigsberg made a motion to accept the letter. The motion failed on a four to four vote. Mr. Erickson, Ms. Koenigsberg, Mr. Waites, and Mr. Wagman voted in favor. Ms. Armijo, Mr. Loy, Mr. Perea, and Mr. Simonson voted against. Mr. Arellanes and Mr. Bertoletti were excused.

Mr. Wagman made the following friendly amendments:

- Paragraph 1, line 5, before “City Council” insert “members of”.
- Paragraph 1, line 5, after “City Council” insert individually.
- Paragraph 1, line 7, after “negotiations” insert “and ratification”.
- Paragraph 1, line 10, delete “negotiations” and insert in lieu thereof “ratification”.
- Paragraph 1, line 13, delete “at your January 22, 2014 meeting” and insert in lieu thereof “by the end of January”.
- Paragraph 3, line 23, before “City Council” insert “members of”.
- Paragraph 3, line 23, after “City Council” insert “individually”.
- Paragraph 3, lines 23 and 24, delete “stop negotiations with the APOA on” and insert in lieu thereof “refrain from ratifying”.

Mr. Wagman made a motion to accept the letter as amended. The motion passed on a six to two vote. Ms. Armijo and Mr. Loy voted against. Mr. Arellanes and Mr. Bertoletti were excused.

8. Recommendation Facilitation – Timothy Karpoff

Mr. Karpoff ran a facilitated discussion on the key questions that the Task Force’s recommendations must address.

9. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings

Mr. Lipman announced the following POC Task Force Meetings:
- January 15, 2014, 5:30 p.m., 8th Floor
- January 29, 2014, 5:30 p.m., location to be determined.

10. Other Business

Mr. Lipman made a motion to add an item to the agenda of the next Task Force meeting. That item being to send all Task Force Documents to the lead investigator from the DOJ. The motion failed on a two to six vote. Ms. Koenigsberg and Mr. Simonson voted in favor. Mr. Arellanes and Mr. Bertoletti were excused.

Mr. Lipman made a motion to add an item to the agenda of the next Task Force meeting. That item being a discussion on whether to hold a town hall on the Task Force recommendations. The motion passed on a seven to one vote. Mr. Loy voted against. Mr. Arellanes and Mr. Bertoletti were excused.

Mr. Waites stated he would like to spend more time in facilitated discussion with Mr. Karpoff at the next Task Force meeting. The other members agreed.
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.