

Civilian Police Oversight Agency Board

Patricia J. French, Chair *Jesse Crawford, Vice-Chair*

Chantal M. Galloway

Eric Nixon

Michael Wartell

Diane McDermott, Interim Executive Director

Wednesday, May 11, 2022 - 3:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Patricia French, Chair
Jesse Crawford, Vice-Chair
Chantal Galloway
Eric Nixon
Michael Wartell

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Katrina Sigala, CPOA
Valerie Barela, CPOA
Tina Gooch, CPOA/CPOAB Legal Counsel
Julia Coulloudon, City Council
Carlos Pacheco, Sr. Managing City Atty
Ian Stoker, Asst. City Atty
Catherine Gonzalez, Asst. City Atty
Commander Renae McDermott, APD
Marteessa Billy, CPC
Deirdre Ewing, Candidate
Diane McDermott, Candidate
Boris Prentiss, Candidate
Ashley Schweizer, Candidate
Carl Vigil, Candidate

Attendance: In response to the Public Health Emergency, the Civilian Police Oversight Agency (CPOA) Board meeting on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. will be held via Zoom video conference.

Viewing: Members of the public will have the ability to view the meeting through GOVTV on Comcast Channel 16, or to stream live on the GOVTV website at: <https://www.cabq.gov/culturalservices/govtv>, or on YouTube at: <https://www.cabq.gov/cpoa/events/cpoa-board-special-meeting-05-11-2022>. (Please note that the link for YouTube has not yet been generated, however, the link could easily be found on the link provided above prior to the start of the meeting). The GOVTV live stream can be accessed at these addresses from most smartphones, tablets, or computers.

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The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the CPOA website by 3:00 p.m., Friday, May 6, 2022 at www.cabq.gov/cpoa.

Public Comment: The CPOA Board will take general public comment and comment on the meeting's specific agenda items in written form via email through 2:00 p.m. on

Wednesday, May 11, 2022. Submit your public comments to: POB@cabq.gov. These comments will be distributed to all CPOA Board members for review.

Minutes

- I. Welcome and call to order.** Chair French called to order the special meeting of the Civilian Police Oversight Agency Board at 3:04 p.m. A roll call vote of Board members present was taken. All CPOA Board members were present.
Present: 5 – Crawford, French, Galloway, Nixon, Wartell
- II. Mission Statement.** Chair French read the Civilian Police Oversight Agency Board’s mission statement.
- III. Approval of the Agenda**
 - a. Motion.** Motion by member Galloway to approve the agenda as drafted. Roll call vote taken. Motion passed.
For: 5 – Crawford, French, Galloway, Nixon, Wartell
- IV. Public Comments**
 - a. None.**
- V. Review and Approval of Minutes from March 10, 2022, Minutes from April 7, 2022 Special Meeting and Minutes from April 14, 2022**
 - a. Motion.** A motion by Member Galloway to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2022 regular meeting and April 7, 2022 Special meeting and a deferral of the April 14, 2022 minutes to next regularly scheduled CPOA Board meeting. Roll call vote taken. Motion passed.
For: 5 – Crawford, French, Galloway, Nixon, Wartell
- VI. Interview of Candidates for Executive Director Position**
 - a.** Chair French announced that CPOA/CPOAB Legal Counsel Tina Gooch will be asking the interview questions.
 - b.** Deirdre Ewing was interviewed first.
 - c.** Chair French announced that interviews will move forward in alphabetical order by last name.
 - d.** Diane McDermott was interviewed second.

*****A twenty-three-minute break began at 3:50 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 4:13 p.m.*****

- e. Boris Prentiss was interviewed third.
- f. Ashley Schweizer was interviewed fourth.
- g. Carl Vigil was the final candidate interviewed.

VII. Meeting with Counsel re: Pending Litigation or Personnel Issues:

Closed Discussion and Possible Action re: Pending Litigation or Personnel Issues

a. Limited personnel matters pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2)

1. Deliberate on Candidates

- i. **Motion.** A motion by member Galloway to move into closed session for the limited purpose of deliberate on candidates. Roll call vote taken. Motion passed.

For: 5 – Crawford, French, Galloway, Nixon, Wartell

******Meeting on Deliberate on Candidates began at 5:58 p.m. and the meeting Reconvened at 7:09 p.m.******

- ii. **Motion.** A motion by member Nixon to reconvene into open session. Roll call vote taken. Motion passed.

For: 5 – Crawford, French, Galloway, Nixon, Wartell

- iii. Chair French announced that for the record nothing was discussed in executive session except what was noted on the agenda, personnel matters.

VIII. Selection of Name(s) to forward to City Council for Review and Approval

- a. **Motion.** A motion by member Nixon to move forward with the process and that Chair French and CPOA/CPOAB Legal Counsel Tina Gooch draft communications of the CPOA Board's decision. Roll call vote taken. Motion passed.

For: 5 – Crawford, French, Galloway, Nixon, Wartell

IX. Other Business

- a. None.

X. Adjournment.

- a. **Motion.** A motion by member Wartell to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote taken. Motion passed.

For: 5 – Crawford, French, Galloway, Nixon, Wartell

- b. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.