



**Citizens Review Board
Tampa, Florida
Meeting Minutes**

The Citizens Review Board of the City of Tampa, Florida convened in a regular session in the Wellswood Civic Center, 4806 Wishart Boulevard, Tampa, FL. 33603 at 6:00 p.m. on this 25th day of October 2022.

The Legal Department was represented by Assistant City Attorney Camaria Pettis-Mackle.

The Recording Secretary was Tonia Wilcox, Sr. City Council/City Clerk Support Technician.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Aquil.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll call

Tonia Wilcox conducted a roll call. The following members were present upon roll call: Aquil, Ingandela, Guy, Irvin, Banks, and Collins. Member Reyes, Tamayo and Valdes being absent at roll call.

IV. Approval of the Minutes

Chair Aquil requested a motion for approval of the Minutes from the August 23, 2022, meeting. A motion was made by Irvin, seconded by Guy. Motion carried with Reyes, Tamayo and Valdes being absent.

V. Public Comment

Chair Aquil asked if there was anyone who signed up for public comment.

The following public speakers appeared:

1. David Jones - approached and spoke with reference to the City Council Charter Review Workshop regarding support for the Citizens Review Board to have independent counsel and subpoena powers.
2. Filip Freund – had no public comment.
3. Taylor Cook – approached and spoke with reference to the City Council Charter Review Workshop regarding support for the Citizens Review Board to have subpoena powers. Also, Ms. Cook spoke about the importance of transparency when it comes to the Tampa Police Department and how the Citizens Review Board was created to help provide transparency to the bicycle stop program.
4. Justin Garcia – had no public comment

There were no written public comments.

Chair Aquil concluded the public comment portion of the meeting.

VI. Staff and Board Response to Public Comments

Discussion took place amongst members and Assistant City Attorney Camaria Pettis-Mackle regarding the City Council Charter Workshop to be held, November 1, 2022, at 9:00am in council chambers.

VII. Community and Tampa Police Department Matters

Captain Kimberly Hill approached and provided an update regarding the Tampa Police Department Hiring Panel. The Tampa Police Department would like to change two of their interview processes. Firstly, by shifting the oral interviews to the beginning of the interview. Lastly, requesting Citizens Review Board Members to attend the interviews on a weekly basis.

Discussion took place amongst members and Captain Kimberly Hill regarding the timeline and scheduling of the interviews.

VIII. Item to be Reviewed

1. **20F-150: MOR 1807, B1.2 – Discriminatory Conduct sustained, SOP 539 Professional Responsibility and Philosophy of Enforcement, Sustained. A Reserve Officer used discriminatory language while effecting an arrest. The Reserve Officer resigned from the program.**

Detective Daniel Hill with the Professional Standards Bureau approached and presented the case concerning a reserve officer who used offensive language during an arrest of a citizen. The reserve officer was working an off-duty job at Walmart when he arrested the suspect for shoplifting. During the arrest the suspect was uncooperative and resisted arrest, which required additional officers to assist with the apprehension. The B1.2 discriminatory conduct violation against the reserve officer occurred during the struggle between officer and suspect. As the officer proceeded to place the suspect in the back seat of police car, the officer started making inappropriate comments that were directed at the suspect. Meanwhile, another officer who was assisting with the arrest interceded and deescalated the situation. The next day, the same officer who assisted with the arrest reported reserve officer's behavior to his supervisor. The officer's supervisor reviewed the body worn camera, confirmed such behavior and reported it to the Professional Standards Bureau. An investigation was performed by the Professional Standards Bureau and resulted in the following violations being sustained: MOR 1807- Failure to Comply with Policy, B1.2-Discriminatory Conduct Policy and SOP 536 - Professional Responsibility and Philosophy of Enforcement, Sustained. The Reserve Officer was placed on administrative leave December 16, 2020; shortly thereafter, he resigned on January 11, 2021.

Discussion took place amongst members and Detective Daniel Hill regarding the description and the status of a reserve officer.

Discussion took place amongst members and Detective Daniel Hill regarding how many terminations occurred due to violating the B1.2 policy.

Further, discussion took place amongst members and Detective Daniel Hill regarding the evaluation process a reserve officer goes through to maintain law and order after retirement.

Chair Aquil asked for the record to reflect that members Tamayo and Valdes were absent; however, are now present.

Chair Aquil requested a motion. A motion was made by Guy, seconded by Collins, that the board concurs with the finding and disposition of case #20F-150: MOR 1807, B1.2. Motion carried 8-0, with Reyes being absent.

IX. CRB Staff Reports and Business

No CRB staff report and business.

X. Items Continued

No Items to be continued.

XI. Announcements/New Business

Discussion took place amongst members regarding dates for the next CRB meeting.

A motion was made by Irvin, seconded by Tamayo, that the board look at November 29, 2022 and December 6, 2022, as available dates for the next meeting. Motion carried 8-0, with Reyes being absent.

Discussion took place amongst members regarding a motion a presentation for the Reserve Officer Program.

A motion was made by Ingandela, seconded by Irvin, that the board requests a presentation and overview of the Tampa Police Department's Reserve Program. Motion carried 8-0, with Reyes being absent.

Assistant City Attorney Camaria Pettis-Mackle approached and confirmed that city council chambers are available November 29, 2022, for the next CRB meeting.

Board member Collins clarified the correct name of the bicycle stop program. The correct name of the program is "An Examination of Racial Disparity and Bicycle Stops and Citations".

Board member Collins requested an update regarding the Interim State Attorney to appear at one of the Citizens Review Board meetings to explain the Examination of Racial Disparity and Bicycle Stops and Citations program.

Assistant City Attorney Camaria Pettis-Mackle approached and stated that Chair Aquil signed a letter addressed to the state attorney, and it's up to her if she accepts the invitation.

Chair Aquil announced the next meeting will be held **November 29, 2022, 6:00pm** at the Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd, 3rd Floor.

Chair Aquil announced that if anyone could not make the next meeting to please notify the Clerk at least 48 hours in advance.

XII. Adjournment


There being no further business to come before the Citizens Review Board at this time, said meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. this 25th day of October 2022.



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