

Chief's Advisory Panel for the Tampa Police Department April 1, 2025, 6:00pm

Tampa Police Department Headquarters

411 N. Franklin St.

Tampa, Fl. 33602

Meeting Minutes

The Tampa Police Department was represented by Chief of Police Lee Bercaw, Captain of Professional Standards Lisa Purcell, Sergeant James Valentino and Detective Melissa Turner.

Additional representatives from the Tampa Police Department Senior Assistant City Attorney Michael Schmid.

The Advisory Panel consisted of Albert Cooke, Irene Guy, Lincoln Tamayo, Devon Ingandela, Andrew March, and retired Tampa Police Captain David Goodman. Panel member Carlos Valdes was not in attendance

The Recording Secretary was Detective Kevin McNiff, Tampa Police Department.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call

Chair Albert Cooke conducted introductions and along with members of the panel.

IV. Approval of Minutes

The meeting minutes from February 11, 2025 were approved and signed by the panel.

V. Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

VI. New Business

a. Current events and topics involving Tampa Police Department

Chief Bercaw introduced virtual reality Axon training equipment which will be utilized to enhance officer training.

The upcoming Women's NCAA Final Four will be held in Tampa mid April 2025 with a weeks worth of special events and pageantry.

Tampa Police Department recently signed 287(g) which is an immigration task force agreement with ICE. TPD has signed the agreement in the past. TPD's only function with regard to this agreement is criminal deportation and not immigration sweeps for illegal aliens.

b. Real Time Crime Center(RTCC) SOP 549

Sgt. James Valentino discussed the staffing and individual roles of personnel within the RTCC. The purpose of the RTCC is to improve officer situational awareness in the field, in real time. The RTCC's intent is to improve the safety of officers while focusing on solving crimes which have just occurred.

Sgt. Valentino highlighted multiple platforms which, when brought together at the RTCC can help in the real time dissemination of intelligence. Those include, but are not limited to:

Open-source material

- Officers BWC
- TPD's Joint Operations Center
- Community camera
- Private residence cameras
- License plate readers

VII. Old Business

No panel members had any questions or additional input from the previous topic of Deadly Force.

VIII. Future Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for June 3, 2025 6:00 pm. Chair Albert Cooke suggested the meeting location to be Tampa Police Communications Center. In addition, he requested ride-a-longs for all members of the panel after a tour of the Communications Center. All panel members agreed on a summer break with the next meeting taking place October 7, 2025. Future topics discussed.

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Chief's Advisory Panel at this time, said meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m. this 1st day of April 2025.

Minutes approved by the motion to adopt.)

CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR

RECORDING SECRETARY

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