

# Sheriff's Department Oversight Board

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Sheriff's Department Oversight Board

**Regular In-Person Meeting** 

Friday, June 2, 2023 / 2:00 pm

San Francisco, CA 94102

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 400

JAYSON WECHTER President

XOCHITL CARRION Vice President

OVAVA AFUHAAMANGO

DION-JAY BROOKTER Board Member

MICHAEL NGUYEN Board Member

JULIE D. SOO

Board Member

Board Member

VACANT

MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 2:04 pm. Pledge of Allegiance.

DAN LEUNG

Legal Assistant/ Acting Secretary

PRESENT: Afuhaamango (at 2:11 pm), Brookter, Carrion, Soo, Wechter, Acting Secretary

Motion to excuse Member Nguyen from today's meeting by Member Soo, seconded by Member

Brookter. Unanimously approved.

A quorum of the Board was present.

# GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

Terry Feel, appearing in person, thought it was important to address the board. We are living in amazing times. What is amazing about it is to now be able to raise our level of consciousness awareness. Everything that is pushed on us. To summarize it. If we want to know how to end humanity, we get it. It's exactly what's going on. On every side, the whole spectrum. The push on technology, the manipulation of science. All the lies, the lies, the cover ups. It's crazy but it's a chance for us to realize if we want humanity to end. We get it. We've got responsibility now. Full awareness. The goal, it's a mission. He's on them. Look, it's the way it is. The goal is happiness for everybody. We have to wake up. This is going to be the answer. He doesn't know how long we have to be aware of that. Thanks a lot for your attention.

# ADOPTION OF MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Motion to adopt the three sets of minutes by Member Soo, seconded by President Wechter.

Vote to adopt the minutes of April 7, 2023, the community meeting minutes from April 11, 2023, and April 21, 2023:

AYES: Brookter, Carrion, Soo, Wechter

NAYS: None

Motion passes and approved with no objections. Minutes of April 7, 2023, and community meeting minutes from April 11, 2023, and April 21, 2023, are adopted.

# RECRUITMENT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Danielle Butler Vappie, Interim Executive Director, Los Angeles Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission, appeared remotely and presented on the Los Angeles Sheriff's Civilian Oversight Commission.

Max Huntsman, Inspector General, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Civilian Oversight Commission, appeared remotely and presented on the Inspector General's Office.

Questions by Vice President Carrion, Member Soo, Member Afuhaamango, Member Brookter, and President Wechter.

Paul Greene and Benjamin Richey, Department of Human Resources, appeared in person to give a status update on the recruitment process and answer board member questions.

Questions by Vice President Carrion, Member Soo, President Wechter, Member Brookter, and Member Afuhaamango.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Unidentified individual appearing in person, asked if the inspector general position was a permanent civil service position.

Francisco DeCosta, on the phone, is very interested in this issue. He has given his comments before. And what he feels is we need to do a deep investigation into our jail system. We have a very primitive jail system. We have to do a deep investigation into our San Francisco Police Department as to the gap of their workforce and what is happening over there. And I think we can't be listening to Los Angeles who has a population of four million, and we have a population of 820,000. If we go the route of putting too much emphasis on an area that has a very large population, and very close to Mexico with all those things happening, much as we have on a smaller scale. We will marry the waters. He thinks that those of you, who are sitting on this board, has to focus on empirical data and expertise, real expertise. So that you can work with the inspector general. He has law enforcement experience and he knows what he is talking about. Thank you very much.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION

None.

# VOTE ON CLOSED SESSION

Motion to hold closed session by President Wechter, seconded by Brookter.

Vote on motion to hold closed session on personnel matters.

AYES: Afuhaamango, Brookter, Carrion, Soo, Wechter.

NAYES: None

Motion passes without objection to hold a closed session.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion during closed session by Vice President Carrion, seconded by Member Soo.

Vote on motion in closed session:

AYES: Afuhaamango, Brookter, Carrion, Soo, Wechter

NAYES: None

Motion passes without objection.

#### **OPEN SESSION**

# VOTE TO DISCLOSE DISCUSSION ON CLOSED SESSION

Motion to not disclose discussion in closed session by Member Soo, seconded by Member Afuhaamango.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Vote on motion to not disclose discussion in closed session:

AYES: Afuhaamango, Brookter, Carrion, Soo, Wechter.

NAYES: None.

Motion to not disclose the discussion in closed session passes without objection. Discussion in closed session will not be disclosed.

# QUARTERLY REPORT TO THE SHERIFF AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Open discussion by Member Soo.

Motion to approve the quarterly report as presented by President Wechter, seconded by Member Brookter.

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Vote on motion to approve the quarterly report as presented.

AYES: Afuhaamango, Brookter, Carrion, Soo, Wechter

NAYES: None.

Motion to approve the quarterly report as presented passes without objection.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Open discussion by Vice President Carrion, Member Soo, Member Afuhaamango, President Wechter

Future agenda items:

- Sheriff's Inventory
- Summer break August
- National Night Out events
- SFSO community events that board members may attend
- Invite HRC to the community meeting at Glide
- Report from Probation and Parole
- Future Sheriff's training
- Public Defender Office
- Future community meetings with coordination with Supervisors

# Continued from FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

Francisco DeCosta, on the phone, what he wants to bring to your attention is, that we need to have a hearing with you commissioners on how we propose to address the jail situation. It looks like you haven't been to 850 Bryant. It's despicable. So, with all the talk about the Inspector General, and the details about your meeting, and whatever. There are thousands of people over the years, that have been suffering because of the dirty situation, sewage flowing all over the place, and you are all nonchalant about this situation. So, I think you will need to have a hearing, so that you all can, hear from the people, at City Hall, rather than at 7 o'clock or 8 o'clock at night in the Tenderloin and the Bayview Opera House. Nobody is going to go there. People are not stupid. Nobody guarantees their security. We're going to have this hearing at City Hall, just with you all – the Commissioners, so that we find out exactly what you all have in mind, to have this Inspector General, and if you really care about rehabilitation. You've got clowns before who do not care about the prisoners. We had to fight so that we could get rid of the bail situation and Jeff Adachi was dead. And talking about the Sheriff's Department, in order to really get them on board, and make them have some empathy, you guys have to do something. (Time was up)

# GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

All those in favor voted AYE. No NAYS.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:16 pm.

Dan Leung Legal Assistant, Sheriff's Department Oversight Board