

MINUTES

Topic: Community Task Force on Policing Meeting 1

September 30, 2021 Via Zoom

Participants:

- **Facilitation Team:** Larry Schooler, Sara Omar, Shelia Brown, Norma Ramos, and Joe Hoereth
- **City of Elgin:** Councilmember Toby Shaw, Councilmember Tish Powell, Police Chief Ana Lalley, Assistant City Manager Karina Nava
- **Task Force Members:** Charles Horton, Walter Blalark, Danise Habun, Sherman Blair, Aubree Flickema, Carroll Bailey, Corey Battles, Cynthia Rivera, Ismael Cordova, Joshua Brockway, Karen Arreola, Kevin Zaldivar, LeJewel Crigler, Marcus Banner, Marcus Bradley, Penelope (Penny) Williams, Shimon Blanchard, Tish Calhamer

Time	Topic	Notes
6:00 – 6:05 pm	Call to Order and Welcome	The Meeting began at approximately 6:05 PM. Councilmembers Powell and Shaw and Chief Lalley welcomed the Task Force.
6:05 – 6:15 pm	Agenda Review <i>Review proposed Discussion Agreements for Task Force</i>	The Task Force voiced support for the discussion agreements as presented.
6:15 – 6:30 pm	Who are we? <i>Introduction activity for Task Force members, facilitators, city staff, EPD</i>	Task Force members introduced themselves; no formal action taken.
6:30 – 6:45 pm	Why are we here? <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Review of themes from Task Force member interviews</i>	Facilitators presented a report of findings; no formal action taken.
6:45 – 7:00 pm	Review of Task Force scope of work and timeline <ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Provide opportunities for questions and suggested additions</i>	Task Force members took a digital poll to prioritize topics for its consideration: top three vote-getters were 1) Ensure/improve accountability for Elgin Police Department 2) Consistency of EPD's Use of Force policies with best practices 3) Evaluating current EPD Training All topics will be considered/taken up; this straw poll will help with sequencing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Discussion about aspirations for service on or contributions to Task Force, criteria for success</i> • <i>Subcommittee process</i> 	
7:00-7:05	Break	
7:05 – 7:25 pm	Process Discussion <i>What topics to tackle in what order</i>	See above
7:25 -7:30	Report Out	
7:30 – 7:40 pm	Chair/Co-Chair Discussion <i>Roles and possible selection process</i>	Task Force members discussed whether a chair/co-chair structure is best. Requested additional information before making any decisions on leadership structure.
7:40 – 7:55 pm	Open Discussion <i>Catalog of initial information needs from Task Force</i>	
7:55 – 8:00 pm	Wrap up & Next Steps <i>Schedule for future/upcoming meetings and collaboration logistics</i>	<p>Task Force members agreed via consensus to a schedule of 6pm meetings on the 1st and 3th Thursdays evenings, with other dates and times for community meetings. They also agreed via consensus to continue meeting virtually for the time being, subject to changes in local, state, and federal guidelines and regulations regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Task Force members were read an email sent by a citizen to the Task Force.</p>
8:00 pm	Adjourn	The Task Force adjourned at 8:00 pm.