

## **Police Civilian Review Panel**

**May 15, 2017, 7:00 p.m. Rooms 9/10, Fairfax County Government Center**

The meeting began at 7:05 p.m.

### Panel Members present:

Hansel Aguilar

Kathleen Davis-Siudut

Hollye Doane

Doug Kay

Randy Sayles

Jean Senseman

Adrian Steel, Panel Chairman

Rhonda VanLowe

### Panel Member Absent

Steve Descano

Panel Chairman Steel brought the meeting to order. On motion of Mr. Sayles, seconded by Ms. Senseman, the Code of Ethics, dated April 17, 2017, was approved by unanimous vote, with Mr. Descano being absent.

The Panel continued its discussion from the May 13 Meeting/Training session, on two issues. First, The Panel agreed that a "30-60-90 day" time period for Panel deliberations should be incorporated into the bylaws instead of the "45-60 day" time period specified in the Action Item. Changing the number of days from 45 to 60 for holding a public review meeting, changing the number of days from 60 to 90 for completing the review and issuing a public report, and starting those 60-day and 90-day time periods upon the Panel's receipt of the complete PD investigation, will facilitate a thorough review by the Panel while not materially extending the process.

On the second issue, the Panel recommended that it be able to receive, at a public meeting held to review an investigation, statements from persons who have not been interviewed during the investigation by the PD as to the reasons why the PD investigators should consider their information. Panel members discussed their views that allowing such an opportunity would positively affect how the public perceives the work of the Panel, increase community access to the process, and promote the community's trust. Ms. Julia Judkins, Legal Counsel, reminded the Panel that under the Board's Action Item, the Panel does not have the authority to hear from persons in the manner suggested by the Panel.

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The Panel discussed the content of the transmittal letter to the Board of Supervisors and agreed that, along with transmitting the Draft Bylaws and (adopted) Code of Ethics, an explanation is to be provided discussing Panel's thinking behind the time period change for review of complaints and the inclusion of statements from persons who have not been interviewed during the investigation by the PD.

The Panel directed Chairman Steel to make the changes to the Bylaws as agreed to by the Panel at this evening's meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.