

# Northampton Policing Review Commission: Full Commission Meeting

## MEETING AGENDA

Friday, March 12, 2021  
6:00PM -8:00PM  
Remote Meeting

### **Join the Remote Meeting:**

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1. Call to Order
  - Announcement of Zoom Recording
  - Roll Call
  - Approval of Meeting Minutes
2. Discussion topic: Final report drafting and editing (120 minutes)
3. Adjourn

### **1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Dan Cannity at 6:08 PM.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF ZOOM RECORDING**

Noa Coffey-Moore made an announcement that this meeting was being recorded for the public record and would be available on Northampton Open Media, as well as, the City of Northampton website.

Commissioner Booker Bush Present  
Commissioner Dan Cannity (co-chair) Present  
Commissioner Nick Fleisher Present  
Commissioner David Hoose Present  
Commissioner Alex Jarrett Present  
Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido Present

Commissioner Nnamdi Pole Present  
Commissioner Michael Quinlan Present  
Commissioner Josey Rosales Present  
Commissioner Cynthia Suopis Present  
Commissioner Carol Owen Present  
Commissioner Kris Banks Arrived at 6:27  
Commissioner Elizabeth Barajas-Roman Arrived at 6:17

### **Motion to Approve the Minutes**

There were no minutes to approve.

### **2. Discussion topic: Final report drafting and editing (120 minutes)**

Commissioner Cynthia Suopis asked the commission to send personal reflection statements if they want to submit them to the final report. She reminded commissioners if they haven't already to send the names of the individuals who appeared in their committees and subcommittees or who commissioners may have spoken with.

The commissioners edited the final report document.

Commissioner Dan Cannity noted three sections where the commissioners left off. He noted a paragraph that related to work from Rachel Bromberg, a part about creating a new department of community care, and the discussion around the department being available to the Community with 24/7 staffing to support responses. He also noted the section that speaks to the department receiving regular input from the community and having leadership guidance from those who use the service and those with past lived experiences dealing with services and solutions.

Commissioner Alex Jarrett mentioned being clear in the report about the role of an advisory board as well as people with lived experience, who use the services. He wondered if the commission would like to be more explicit about that.

Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido noted Rachel Bromberg brought to table that people with lived experience and people of color with live experience should be a part of the governance, the oversight body and leadership position within the organization.

Commissioner Dan Cannity said people with lived experience should be a part of the governance, as well as leadership within the department and should have a place in codesigning initiatives.

Commissioner Nnamdi Pole said a philosophical concern for him with this final report is that the commission makes a clear distinction between statements it wants to make about policing in terms of policing in general, as an institution in the country, and what the commission has found to be true, about the Northampton police department in particular.

Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido noted from the points of view from so from the point of all the testimonies the commission has heard, the commission should find a middle line between not trashing the department and not sort of overcompensating to the other end right, because at the end of the day, if the commission goes through the testimonies that we have received, there are a lot of testimonies about abuse and power, as well as people who don't have the means to come forward and to be able to protect themselves so.

Carol Owen said that it might be nice to have some language in there about the commission's intention. She said the intention is to pursue best practice to the degree that we have learned from other cities' experiences.

**Commissioner Nnamdi Pole motioned to adjourn. Commissioner David Hoose moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. The motion adjourn is passed unanimously.**