

Agenda Report

October 19, 2020

TO: CITY COUNCIL

**FROM: TERRY TORNEK, MAYOR
COUNCILMEMBER JOHN J. KENNEDY, CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: DIRECT THE PREPARATION OF A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE
PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY
POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION**

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council direct the City Attorney to prepare a resolution establishing the process, outlined in the Background portion of this report, for appointment of members of the Community Police Oversight Commission.

BACKGROUND

On October 12th the City Council adopted an Ordinance establishing a Community Police Oversight Commission and an Independent Police Auditor. The ordinance provides that the Commission will be comprised of 11 members appointed by the City Council as follows:

- Each of the seven councilmembers and the mayor shall nominate one member for a total of eight members.
- Three members shall be nominated representing community-based organizations.
- Each member shall be a resident of the city.
- All nominations are subject to ratification by the city council.
- At least 50 percent of the filled positions on the commission shall be women, if feasible.

Additionally, members shall be appointed for a term of three years; however, initial members shall be appointed to terms of one, two, and years, respectively in order to establish staggered terms. Of the initial members, four shall be appointed to serve a three-year term; four members shall be appointed to a two-year term; and the remaining three members shall be appointed to a one-year term.

As to appointment of members to the Commission, the ordinance requires the Council to adopt a resolution establishing a policy for appointment of the 11 members. At its October 7 special meeting, the Public Safety Committee discussed the process for appointments to the Commission. Given the significant level of public interest in this subject matter, the Committee discussed ways to maximize community engagement in the appointment process.

The Committee did not take action at its October 7 meeting, but the purpose of this Agenda Report is to recommend that the Council direct the City Attorney to prepare a resolution, setting forth a process for appointment of members to the Commission.

For the eight Council nominees, one approach discussed is for each Councilmember to conduct interviews of applicants in a public meeting prior to making a selection.

As to the three members of community-based organizations, the Council might consider selecting a panel of community-based organization members to recommend a slate of six potential appointees for the Council to consider from which the Council would select three.

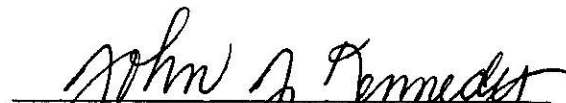
FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact of this action. The full fiscal impact of establishing a Community Police Oversight Commission and a Police Auditor were previously estimated to range from approximately \$500,000 to \$1 million annually.

Respectfully submitted,



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Councilmember John J. Kennedy, Chair
Public Safety Committee