CHARLOTTESVILLE POLICE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Date: January 9, 2025

Scheduled Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: CitySpace

Board Members Attending: William Mendez (Chair), Jeffrey Fracher (Vice Chair), Al Pola, Cameron McBride (Virtual), Lakeshia Washington (Virtual).

Board Members Not Attending: George Dillard

Guests: N/A

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM

Announcements: Director Gonzalez mentioned the upcoming 23rd Annual MLK Day Celebration (Free Community Event) hosted by Abundant Life Ministries. Monday, January 20th, 2025, from 5 PM to 8 PM.

- Community March 5:00 - 5:45 PM (beginning at Buford Middle School)
- Award Ceremony 5:45 – 6:45 PM (Buford Auditorium)
- Fellowship Dinner, 6:45 – 7:45 (Buford Cafeteria)

Approval of Agenda: Chair Mendez called for unanimous approval of the agenda. Hearing no objections, the agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes: Chair Mendez called for the unanimous approval of the December 12, 2024, minutes. The minutes were approved by a vote of 4 in favor and 1 abstention.

Election of Officers: Ms. Lakeshia Washington nominated Al Pola for the position of Chair. Nomination seconded by Dr. Jeff Fracher. No others were nominated for the chair position. Mr. Pola was elected to chair by unanimous vote. Dr. Jeff Fracher nominated William Mendez for Vice Chair; nomination seconded by Ms. Lakeshia Washington. No others were nominated for Vice Chair. Mr. Mendez was elected as Vice Chair by unanimous vote.

Executive Director / Management Analyst Report: Management Analyst, Mr. James Walker provided the Board with an overview of the monthly report. The monthly report will be posted on the PCOB's website.

Amendments to Enabling Ordinance: Chair Mendez initiated a discussion concerning the proposed amendments to the enabling ordinance.

Adjournment: *Due to technical difficulties, where sound was lost, the Executive Director recommended that the Board consider adjourning and rescheduling the meeting. A motion was made via chat by Mr. Pola that the meeting be adjourned and rescheduled. The motion was seconded by Dr. Jeff Fracher. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn and reschedule the meeting. (The chat information was relayed by Ms. Lakeshia Washington and Mr. Al Pola).

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 7:20 PM