



## MEETING MINUTES

### Law Enforcement Transparency & Accountability Commission

Monday, November 16, 2020, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

VIRTUAL MEETING

1. Welcome
2. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm with the following Commission members present:

Joe Aldaz, Kate Angulski, Justin Baker (departed at 7:03 p.m.), Rachael Flick, Janice Frazier, Steve Kern, Terry Martinez, Dennis Moore, Luis Velez, Deb Walker, Brent Windebank

Councilmembers Present:

President Pro-Tem Tom Strand, Councilmember Yolanda Avila, Councilmember Wayne Williams

Staff Present:

Emily Evans (City Council Administrator), Michael Montgomery (Deputy City Council Administrator), Sam Friedman (City Council Constituent Response Specialist)

Tom Florczak (Deputy City Attorney), Jamie Fabos (Chief Communication Officer), Danielle Summerville (Community Diversity & Outreach Programs Manager), Charae McDaniel (Chief Financial Officer)

Vince Niski (CSPD Chief), Hugh "Mike" Velasquez (Police Commander – Professional Standards Division), Amanda Terrell-Orr (Program Administrator – Research and Development Section)

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 2, 2020

Commissioner Martinez motioned for the approval of the meeting minutes from November 2, 2020. Commissioner Windebank seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. 2021 Colorado Springs Police Department Budget Presentation and Discussion

Chief Financial Officer Charae McDaniel presented and answered question regarding the Public Safety Sales Tax budget.

Police Department Chief Vince Niski presented and answered and questions regarding the Police Department budget. Chief Niski highlighted the following areas:

- Training
- Department priorities
- Crisis Intervention Team
- Additional 10 officers
- Use of Force Review Request for Proposals

5. Administrative/Correspondence Updates

Chairwoman Frazier informed Commissioners the deadline for the Action Items worksheet had been extended and let everyone know it would be discussed at the next meeting.

The Commission discussed the potential of having a UCCS Masters student research an area of interest of the Commission. The Commission decided to continue the conversation at the December 7 meeting.

6. Future Agenda Items

Commander Velasquez stated that CSPD is still working on a virtual Community Academy and will report back in 2021.

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.