

Independent Community Policing Review Board
June 18th, 2025, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM
VIRTUAL

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

Vice Chair Alexis Stackhouse completed initial roll call – Quorum was not met

Vice Chair Alexis Stackhouse requested Secretary Porter to make a motion to recess.

WHEREUPON, on motion by member Porter that the Board recess until quorum is met, seconded by Vice Chair Stackhouse.

Chair Christopher Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:21 PM.

Board members present:

Darrlynn Franklin
Christopher Lewis, Chair
Ingris Moran
Jeanne O'Toole
Deborah Porter, Secretary
Alexis Stackhouse, Vice Chair

City Staff present:

Ameratu Kamara, Interim Independent Policing Auditor/Director
Ashley Kollmorgen, Management Analyst
Robert Porter, Assistant City Attorney

2. Introduction (Read by Vice Chair, Alexis Stackhouse)

The Independent Community Policing Review Board (ICPRB) was established by the Alexandria City Council via unanimously adopted Resolution 2950 on June 9, 2020, which condemned police brutality and systemic racism; reaffirmed that Black Lives Matter; and stated Council's intent to establish a community policing review board in our City. The resolution also affirmed that the City of Alexandria and all government officials have a duty to ensure the protection of all communities through actions and reform, including in the justice system. After careful consideration, at its public hearing on April 17, 2021, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt an ordinance establishing the structure of a new Independent Community Policing Review Board, to be effective as of July 1, 2021, along with its authorizing state law. The City Council also established the Office of the Alexandria Independent Policing Auditor (AIPA).

3. Board's Purpose (Read by Chair, Christopher Lewis)

The Independent Community Policing Review Board is an eight-member board whose purpose is to enhance policing legitimacy and to increase and maintain trust between and among the police department, city council, city manager and the public. The board shall provide timely, fair and objective review of administrative investigations conducted by the Independent Policing Auditor and Alexandria Police Department (APD) as well as the Independent Policing Auditor's evaluation of policing policies, practices, procedures, and outcomes in Alexandria. The Board shall also recommend meaningful assessments and corrective recommendations intended to remedy discriminatory practices, including racial and social inequities; ensure the protection of all communities through recommended actions and reform, including in the criminal justice system; and recommend strategies for effectively implementing these reforms in our community.

4. Approval of Meeting Agenda.

WHEREUPON, on motion by member, Porter, seconded by Vice Chair, Stackhouse, the Board unanimously approved the agenda. Opposed, none.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 4, 2025.

WHEREUPON, on motion by Vice Chair, Stackhouse, seconded by member Porter the Board approve the Meeting Minutes with noted corrections from June 4, 2025. Opposed, none.

6. Public Comments.

None.

7. Memorandum of Understanding recommendations and/or feedback

Members of the Board, along with the Auditor and the Assistant City Attorney discussed the MOU in depth. Board members asked questions and proposed changes to the MOU they would like clarified or changed.

WHEREUPON, on motion by member Franklin, seconded by Member Porter the Board unanimously approved all suggested recommendations to the memorandum of understanding and the Chair be authorized to sign the MOU on behalf of the ICPRB. Opposed, none.

8. Agenda Items and Next Meeting Scheduling.

- ✓ Confirm future meeting dates:
 - August 6th, 2025, Monthly Board Meeting
 - September 13, 2025 – APD Training
 - October 1, 2025 – Monthly Board Meeting

9. Announcements.

- ✓ 2 New Board members appointed – Official Start Dates(s) 7/01/2025
 - Jules Tamegue
 - Suzanne Berkey

Reminders:

- ✓ 1 Vacant Board seat to be filled
- ✓ If any Board member cannot attend a scheduled meeting, please alert all parties to ensure staff can take the necessary action as needed no less than 2 days prior to the scheduled meeting.

Check your city MS Outlook calendar regularly for updates regarding upcoming related community engagement activities.

10. Motion to Adjourn the meeting.

WHEREUPON, on motion by Member Franklin, seconded by member, Porter, the board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting. Opposed, none.

The meeting concluded at 9:12 PM.

Thank you for viewing and attending the Independent Community Policing Review Board's meeting today. Remember, the Board is here to help you address any concerns you have regarding interaction with an Alexandria Police Department employee. While our primary purpose is to review investigations of misconduct by APD, even if your concern does not fall within our purview, the Independent Community Policing Review Board will collaborate with the Independent Policing Auditor to address your concerns or commendations with APD.

Our Board meetings are open to the public, and all are encouraged to attend.