

**Independent Community Policing Review Board**  
**October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**  
**City Council Workroom, City Hall**

**MINUTES**

**\*There was no quorum for this meeting\***

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

Chair Christopher Lewis started the meeting at 7:11 PM.

Board members present:

Suzanne Berkley  
Darrlynn Franklin<sup>1</sup>  
Christopher Lewis, Chair  
Jeanne O'Toole  
Deborah Porter, Secretary  
Alexis Stackhouse, Vice Chair<sup>2</sup>  
Jules Tamegue

City Staff present:

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

**2. Introduction (Read by Chair, Christopher Lewis)**

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, Christoher 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

<sup>1</sup> Board member was absent (excused)

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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. Public Comments.

Marjoarie Leong spoke to the ICPRB members regarding mental illness and police actions.

#### 5. Auditor Update

- ✓ The Auditor shared recent updates made to the ICPRB website and encouraged Board members to explore the site and its resources to better guide community members to relevant information.
- ✓ A reminder was given regarding mandatory training requirements. The Auditor emphasized the importance of being respectful of the time and resources provided by APD and other city staff in supporting these training efforts, as outlined in the ICPRB ordinances.
- ✓ An updated timeline regarding the ongoing in-custody death investigation was provided. Due to the fact that one Medical Examiner's office handles all CIRT cases in Virginia, there is currently an estimated three-month delay in receiving the ME report. The investigation is expected to conclude by late 2025 or early 2026. A press release will be issued to update the public on this revised timeline.
- ✓ The Auditor reminded members about the upcoming Proclamation for Kim Neal, scheduled for October 2nd at 6:00 PM at the Black History Museum.
- ✓ The Auditor informed the Board of a new city process for coordinating community engagement events, now managed through OCCE. Community walk events were discussed; however, few Board members volunteered to participate. The Auditor noted she will not conduct these walks alone and stressed the importance of member involvement in engaging directly with the communities they serve. The Chair added that it would be helpful for at least one ICPRB member to assist in planning and executing these events, as community engagement is a key Board responsibility.

\*During the meeting it was addressed that we had two new board members present that could not vote due to not being able to schedule the required 4-hour ride-a-long as required for their initial training requirements. During the meeting, Robert Porter provided a contact within APD for ICPRB members to begin scheduling their ride-a-longs.

#### 6. New Board Business

Because there was no quorum, the following items could not be voted on; as such it was decided a virtual meeting later this month would be held to formally discuss and vote on them.

- ✓ ICPRB Annual Report
- ✓ ICPRB Readiness Resolution
- ✓ ICPRB Feedback regarding the City of Alexandria's FY2027 Budget

7. Agenda Items and Next Meeting Scheduling.

- ✓ Confirm future meeting dates:
  - October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 – Proclamation for Kim Neal 6:00 PM – Black History Museum
  - November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Monthly Board Mtg
  - December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 – Monthly Board Mtg & Legal/Ethical Training
  - January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Monthly Board Mtg
  - February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Monthly Board Mtg – NACOLE Training – Part I

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

8. Motion to Adjourn the meeting.

There was no motion to adjourn the meeting due to no quorum.

The meeting concluded at 7:56 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.**