

# Northampton Policing Review Commission: Full Commission Meeting

## MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, March 9, 2021  
6:00PM -8:00PM  
Remote Meeting

### **Join the Remote Meeting:**

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1. Call to Order
  - Announcement of Zoom Recording
  - Roll Call
  - Approval of Meeting Minutes
2. Public comment (15 minutes)
3. Discussion topic: Public hearing debrief (20 minutes)
4. Discussion topic: Final report drafting and editing (45 minutes)
5. Discussion topic: Reports from subcommittees (10 minutes)
6. Adjourn

### **1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Dan Cannity at 6:34 PM.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF ZOOM RECORDING**

Noa Coffey-Moore made an announcement that this meeting was being recorded for the public record and would be available on Northampton Open Media, as well as, the City of Northampton website.

Commissioner Booker Bush Present  
Commissioner Dan Cannity (co-chair) Present  
Commissioner Nick Fleisher Present

Commissioner David Hoose Present  
Commissioner Alex Jarrett Present  
Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido Present  
Commissioner Nnamdi Pole Present  
Commissioner Michael Quinlan Present  
Commissioner Josey Rosales Present  
Commissioner Cynthia Suopis Present  
Commissioner Carol Owen Present  
Commissioner Kris Banks Arrived at 6:27  
Commissioner Elizabeth Barajas-Roman Arrived at 6:21

### **Motion to Approve the Minutes**

Commissioner Booker Bush motion to approve the minutes February 11, 2021, January 5, 2021, and January 19, 2021, March 2, 2021. Commissioner Alex Jarrett seconded the motion.

### **3. Public comment (15 minutes)**

Robert Eastman  
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### **4. Discussion topic: Public hearing debrief (20 minutes)**

There was no discussion on this topic.

### **5. Discussion topic: Final report drafting and editing (45 minutes)**

Commissioner Dan Cannity shared his screen and showed the final report draft document.

#### **The commissioners discussed the final report draft**

Commissioner Carol Owen said the title of the department seems cumbersome and she'd like the commission to decide on a name.

Commissioner Nnamdi Pole said it should be noted that the service will need to be available 24/7.

Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido said he would like to see a person of color with lived experience leading the department and said if the commission isn't clear, it will probably end up being a white man.

Commissioner Dan Cannity suggested the commission use the guiding principle of ensuring the right response to the right call is available for all people. He said in order to do this, the commission has attempted to reimagine public safety responses, based on the needs of individual callers including.

Commissioner Josey Rosales said they want people to keep in mind that the purpose of looking at policing and policing in Northampton is general is the acknowledgement of the unjust hierarchies that exist that we don't want

Commissioner Commissioner Dan Cannity said the commission also highlights areas for improvement and existing structures and responses. He said the recommendations the commission proposes can be used as a starting point to create further meaningful changes as the city evaluates the results of their implementation and additional opportunities.

Commissioner Alex Jarrett noted many responses might not have a police response at all, by default, but understanding also that it may take time to build trust in a new response and, and that there could be a period of building that trust.

Commissioner Cynthia Suopis said she is in agreement that the complaint process is not a good process at all for a variety of reasons and she wondered if the commission could look at that revised language, and work on a recommendation for the complaint process.

Commissioner Javier Luengo-Garrido said he's working on a spreadsheet with all the testimonies that had been added to the record in the minutes to add to the final report.

**Commissioner Michael Quinlan motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Nnamdi Pole Javier Luengo-Garrido moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. The motion adjourn is passed unanimously.**