

Police Oversight Task Force Meeting Agenda
September 12, 2019
6:00-9:00pm
City of Boulder Open Space & Mountain Parks
2520 55th Street
Boulder Colorado

“O, yes, I say it plain, America never was America to me, And yet I swear this oath – American will be! An ever-living seed, its dream lies deep in the heart of me.”

— Langston Hughes

Meeting Objective

- ✚ Prepare final Boulder Police Oversight Board Recommendations

Note: Please plan to arrive a few minutes before the meeting. We need to start promptly at 6:00. As always, we have a full agenda. Thanking you in advance...

6:00 Check in Task Force Members
 Opening reflection: Based on the study session with City Council, I believe we need to...

Acknowledge task force members who may be and those on the phone.

6:10 Administrative Update Aimee Kane

6:20 Recommendation Development Task Force
 Instructions: Continue discussing the recommendations in the groups formed on August 29. The notes from each group will be available to “jump start” the discussion. Additionally each person will discuss the homework assignment in their respective group. Please complete the homework assignment prior to the meeting on Thursday.

7:20 Break (as needed) Task Force

7:30 Recommendation Development (cont.) Task Force
 Instructions: Complete your groups’ recommendations. If all of the city council questions are answered from your homework assignment, please plan to return to the larger group for a discussion.

8:00 Recommended Structure Discussion Task Force
 Both groups have 15 minutes to present their recommendations followed by a Q & A.

8:40 Determine Next Steps Task Force
 Instructions: Set the agenda and discussion points for the Monday, September 16 meeting. Note: The smaller group will be finalizing the remaining portions of both groups’ recommendations.

Next Meeting: Monday, September 16th from 5:00-7:00 pm. Location to be announced.

8:50 Public Comment Task Force

Members of the public will have 2 minutes each for comments. To honor personal commitments, we will adhere to the two minute time frame and the meeting will end promptly at 9:00. Thank you in advance for respecting the process.

9:00 Adjourn

Oversight Task Force Vision Statement

We the community, and members of this task force share a historical memory and daily, intimate contact with law enforcement that can engender fear, trauma, and, in too many instances, injury and loss of life. It is within this spirit that we create a body that will provide a timely, transparent, and judicious investigative process for citizens that wish to resolve complaints. Furthermore, the body that conducts these investigations of the police department will be one endowed with the independent policy creation authority needed to review and create new policing policies that advance the ideals of justice, equity, and progress. This body shall also have the authority to terminate policies it deems harmful to the overall well-being of the community. Resolving to *watch the watchers*, this body will strive to create trust and realize the promise that *all* must be treated equally.

Police Oversight Task Force (Task Force) Purpose as Defined in the Charter:

- A. The task force will study different models of police department oversight boards which are comprised exclusively or largely of community members in order to determine which models or aspects of such boards are most appropriate for the city of Boulder. The task force will recommend one or more options to the Boulder City Council. The options should include the recommended number and qualifications of members of the oversight board, the manner of appointment of the oversight board members, the responsibilities of the oversight board, a description of the investigative powers and decision-making authority of the oversight board, how it will be staffed and the projected costs of staffing the oversight board.
- B. The task force will establish a method for identifying recommendations that achieved majority or supermajority support, with the understanding that the task force final report will provide council with a discussion of the recommended option(s), as well as other options considered and an explanation of any areas of concern raised by task force members with regard to the recommended option(s).
- C. All meetings are open to the public. The city allows for anonymous communication with the task force and will not publicly post identifying information about task force members, other than their names. Community and task force members should understand, however, that the city cannot withhold release of application materials or anonymous communications with the task force if this information is requested under the Colorado Open Records Act.