

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AMENDED MEETING MINUTES**

Special Meeting
5:00 P.M.

February 26, 2021
Meeting Conducted Remotely

The City of Antioch, in response to the Executive Order of the Governor and the Order of the Health Officer of Contra Costa County concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), held Antioch City Council meetings via Comcast channel 24, AT&T U-verse channel 99, and live stream (at www.antiochca.gov). The City Council meeting was conducted utilizing Zoom Audio/Video Technology.

Written public comments were received by 5:00 p.m. the day of the Council Meeting in the following ways: (1) Filled out an online speaker card, located at https://www.antiochca.gov/speaker_card, or (2) Emailed the City Clerk's Department at cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us. Oral public comments received during the meeting were received by registering in advance to access the meeting via Zoom Webinar: <https://www.antiochca.gov/speakers> or by dialing (925) 776-3057.

On February 26, 2021, the Special Meeting was called to order by Mayor Thorpe at 5:00 P.M. and City Clerk Householder called the roll.

Present: Council Members District 1 Torres-Walker, District 2 Barbanica, District 3 Ogorchock, Mayor Pro Tem (District 4) Wilson and Mayor Thorpe

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Thorpe led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPENING REMARKS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Thorpe allowed up to 3 minutes per council member to have a brief statement regarding this evenings Special Meeting. He mentioned the recent shootings in the City of Antioch and assured the community the City is being as responsive as possible. He thanked our men and women patrolling our streets and ensured our streets and citizens are safe. He thanked the City Manager Ron Bernal, Chief of Police Tammany Brooks and City Attorney Smith for their hard work. He stated that today marks our first step on building a strong police department that every segment of our community can trust. Community voices are a critical component of improving the perception of police legitimacy and fairness. He went on to say that when special interest groups label and/or critic our Antioch Police Department, it applies as an opposition like anti-police, cop haters and funders evolutionist. It deliberately obscures the distinction between undue attest and legitimate criticisms of practices and policies. To that end, this resistance to transparency and accountability reduces police legitimacy among different segments in our community. It makes individuals less likely to report crimes and to less likely work with law enforcement to solve crimes. The community must be a part of that, and he asked Council Members to have the same foresight voters did November 2020.

Mayor Thorpe reported that the City received over 200 public comments and will try to read them all but assured everyone that all public comments will be part of the official record tonight. He thanked everyone for participating in the meeting this evening. He noted that this meeting would have robust discussions surrounding the start of a blueprint and framework to address police reform.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OPENING COMMENTS

Councilmember Torres-Walker stated that she acknowledged that change was never easy, and we have just begun to repair the breach of trust between the City and in the community we serve. She requested to the City council to consider the month of March “Police Reform Month” and establish office of Public Safety that will help us reimagine public safety in our community and redefined what makes our community safe.

Councilmember Torres-Walker thanked everyone that submitted their public comments and stated that we need everyone in our community to be a part of the needed changes in our community during hard times. She also made a request to the City council to make the month of March “Police Reform Month”.

Councilmember Barbanica stated he heard about another death in our community and shared his condolences to the family. He also mentioned that the City will conduct a thorough investigation as in any incident that occurs in our City. Sometimes the wait can be lengthy but asks to be patient and assured that the facts will be available once the investigation is complete. He also thanked all the citizens that reached out to him in the recent weeks addressing the issues the City is having and how they feel. Lastly, he thanked the men and women that protect our City 24 hours a day.

Councilmember Ogorchock stated she was thankful that the citizens were participating tonight and was looking forward to hearing from the conversations from the community and wanted to make sure that their decisions are based upon the individuals that live within our City of Antioch and not from outside influences.

Councilmember Wilson thanked Mayor Thorpe, City Council, City Manager Bernal, and Police Chief Brooks. She stated that the last few months have been touch and hard in Antioch, but change is coming, often change can be very difficult, today is just a piece of the larger conversation. As a society, we have placed an enormous burden on police services. Tonight, we will see which areas need further and deeper discussions.

PRESENTATION BY CHIEF TAMMANY BROOKS OF POLICE REPORT EFFORTS TO DATE AT ANTIOCH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Brooks was grateful for allowing him at this time to make a presentation on the efforts and changes within the Antioch Police Department that can be classified as reform efforts. He mentioned that the City is constantly looking at ways to improve on training, industry best practices, technology, and on ways to better engage with our community. The residents can rest

assure that the City has the best people serving this community and doing so with integrity and professionalism and is proud to represent them today.

Chief Brooks gave a brief background on the Antioch Police Departments current implemented services provided for the officers which include mental health services, officer training, accountability, and transparency within the department.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

1. MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE

Mayor Thorpe introduced Ben Adam Climber representing CAHOOTS.

Presenter Climber gave a brief background on the CAHOOTS (Crisis Assistance Helping Out on The Streets) Model and gave a PowerPoint presentation on their mobile crisis intervention program and its functions.

Councilmember Barbanica asks approximately how many staff members are needed to assist the City of Antioch's current City population.

Presenter Climber responded that the staff is based on the City's current population of approximately 100-thousand people typically have approximately 11-12 staff to cover one (1) 24-hour shift.

Mayor Thorpe stated that this presentation was a start to the framework surrounding mental health crisis response and council would discuss the needs and make a final decision on how to move forward.

Due to the amount of speaker request and with consensus of the City Attorney Smith and City Council, Mayor Thorpe reduced speaker times to One-minute per speaker.

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Ali Saidi, Diana Collin Puente, Selina McManus, Katherine Walley, Micha Morris Silveira, Sarita B, Nikki Basas, Frank Sterling, Erika Viray Santos, Jennifer Rakowski, Sharon Johnson, Jen Chinn, Moxie March, Pat Vuilarde', Daisy Maxion, Vicente Escalante, Hector Malvido, Jenna King, Bianca Gervacio, Kelly Callejo, Ben, Tony, Christi Morales-Kumasawa, Kevin Nadal, Amy Hayes, Ashley A, Isabella Collins, Sandy Hartrick, Glen Leveall, and Selena McManus spoke in support of having a mental Health Crisis response Team.

Mayor Thorpe called for a break at 6:32 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 6:39 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Thorpe opened the public written comments.

The following public comments were read into the record by Administrative Services Director Mastay:

Julia Po, John Abella, Robert Collins, Nina Escolar, Andrei Quinto, Juniper Dorado, Cassandra Quinto-Collins, Gretchen Tofflemire, Joshua Anijar, Kailee Kerr, Arlene, William Davis-Watkins, Vicente Escalante, Chala Bonner, Jesse Zuniga, Joey Flegel-Mishlove, Tracy Davis-Watkins, Audrey Davis, Kai Montgomery, Adrienne Davis, Jermone Brown, Gretchen Davis, H. Ben Morgentahu, Nicole Rosillo, Kristen Zimmerman, Craig Valdez, Kwith Thompson, Ellen and John Murray, Alyssa Huff, Wendell Watkins, Jim Becker, Amanda Walker, Shana Kim, Erica Wang, Jennifer Rakowski, Raeanne Baird, Ricka Davis-Sheard, Mike Borders, Gil Murillo, Erica Viray Santos, Johnny Rotten, Nati Flores, Erick Gutierrez, Adrienne Antonio, Melissa Pandika, Korina Wray, Holly Lim, Joanne Scott, Tami Boaz, Ricka Davis-Sheard, Ronilleen (Rona) Maglian, Addie Kitchen, Michelle Fortunado-Kewin, Rhoel Paragas, Sal Sbranti, Clara Jaekel, Jason Lindsey, Nickolas Lindsey, Kristine Grey, Kate Viernes, Joan McFadden Renz Andales, James Severson, Marvin Valdez, Angelo Monje, and Denise Wong provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto. They also expressed support of a mental health response team and police reform including body-worn cameras and dash cameras.

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Sommaly Phinith Lam, Aralya Yee-Phinith, Pysay Phinith, Rona Yee, Kelly Yee, Rosa Yee-Phinith, Amy Tran, Debra Leschyn, Samantha Ayala, Julia McNeary, Audrey Tran, Jeff Macdonald, Christine Enderby, Courtney Coon, Doug Leich, Alliyah Thomas, Penny Hackett-Evans, Maryann OSullivan, Fox Ariah-Machado, Laura Byrne, Jesse Esteves, Sally Paris, Sue Brandy, Tricia Blakemore, Gabrille Lazzeretti, Emily Hampshire, Elsie Mills, Kylee Koch, Susan Desmond, Jane Courant, Adina Rose, Meilan Carter-Gilkey, Lynn Baskett, Gail Susan Gordon, Michael Friedman, Yehudit Lieberman, Kristine Powell, Sara Yap-Yui, Cynthia M.A. Siadat, Joemae Santos, Kristen Zimmerman, Patrick Francis Ibanez, John Nguyen, Pittsburg Educators, Katherine Cariaso, Michael Salgarolo, Shon Henderson, Marianne Callahan, Linda Leu, Angelica San Jose, Julie Marco, Ashely Lin, Christine Espina, Kristin Chambers, Christina Ortega, Joelle Sabater, Denise Bellante, Michelle Penuliar Mendoza, Jessica Cruz, and Maria, provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto. They also expressed support of a mental health response team and police reform including body-worn cameras and dash cameras.

Mayor Thorpe called for a break at 7:56 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 8:06 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Shagoofa Khan, and Erika spoke in support of and solidarity for Angelo Quinto. They also expressed support of a mental health response team and police reform including body-worn cameras and dash cameras.

Councilmember Barbanica spoke in support of a mental health response team. He stated that that Contra Costa County is currently working with a similar program and would like for the City of Antioch to work in conjunction with the County. The Community Crisis Response Team pilot program is schedule to start in the summer of 2021. The county currently has a team of approximately seven people working on the details of the program since mid-2020. One of the features is to call 988 which will create a response from the team.

Mayor Thorpe stated that he would like the council to decide if a Mental Crisis Team is the direction that the City would like to take at this time.

Councilmember Torres-Walker voice her appreciation to Mayor Pro Tem Wilson for her participation and efforts in a Crisis Response Team.

Councilmember Ogorchock spoke in support of a mental health response team and agreed to work with Contra Costa County's Crisis Response Team pilot team.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson spoke in support of a mental health response team. She stated that she would like to see the Mental Health Crisis at our next meeting.

Following discussion, Mayor Thorpe and Council agreed to look at all possible options a Mental Health Crisis Team.

Mayor Thorpe would like to see mandatory psychiatric evaluations for police officers and dispatch workers and not be voluntary. He would like to see staff participate in the current services that are being provided.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock, the City Council unanimously approved to move forward with identifying program models and options for Mental Health Crisis Response and program models for Police Officers and Dispatch Workers Mental Health Response.

2. OFFICER TRAINING ENHANCEMENTS / MODULES

Mayor Thorpe would like to include training modules that are community driven. Currently the City of Antioch has the training tools within the department and would like to incorporate them into policy and a curriculum.

Following discussion, Mayor Thorpe and Council spoke in support of having more training for Antioch Police Officers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Sal Sbranti, Michele Kuslits, Audrey Davis, Kai Montgomery, Cherise Montgomery, Adrienne Davis, Jermone Brown, Gretchen Davis, and Gil Murillo provided written comment in support of Officer Training Enhancements/Modules.

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Sarita B, Frank Sterling, Michael Aldon, Gigi Crowder, Patricia Granados, and Jen Gaudite Bittick spoke in support of Officer Training Enhancements / Modules.

Mayor Thorpe made a request to have an established trained paradigm that is publicly reviewed and updated built around the following principles:

- Procedural Justice
- Relationship Based Policing
- Implicit Bias Training
- Crisis Intervention and Mediations Conflict Resolution
- Appropriate Engagement with Youth, LGBTQ and Gender Non-conforming Individuals
- English Language Learners
- Individuals from different religious affiliations and Individuals who are differently able
- De-escalation and minimizing the use of force

Following discussion, Mayor Thorpe and Council agreed to look at all possible options of Officer Training Enhancements/Modules.

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilson, to direct City staff including the City Mayor to work with the Chief of Police to establish a training paradigm that is updated regularly and has community engagement and is publicly reviewed and updated annually built around the following principals:

- Procedural justice
- Relationship Based Policing
- Implicit Bias Training
- Crisis Intervention and Mediations Conflict Resolution
- Appropriate Engagement with Youth, LGBTQ and Gender Non-conforming Individuals
- English Language Learners
- Individuals from different religious affiliations and Individuals who are differently able
- De-escalation and minimizing the use of force

3. DEMILITARIZATION EFFORTS

Councilmember Barbanica spoke in support of taking certain military equipment. He had concerns with having a militarized department but does like the idea of accepting certain types of military weapons to assist the departments in emergency situations. The rescue vehicle has been used previously by other Police Departments within the County in high emergency situations. Only a high-ranking officer such as a Lieutenant or above can utilize the rescue vehicle.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Sal Sbranti, Audrey Davis, Kai Montgomery, Cherise Montgomery, Adrienne Davis, Jermone Brown, Gretchen Davis, and Jesse Zuniga provided written comment in support of receiving militarized equipment.

Lindsey Amezcua provided written comment in opposition to the City receiving militarized equipment.

Gil Murillo provided written comment requesting Antioch Police Department to respond on how limitations will impact the department to functions accordingly and present it for future meetings.

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Sarita B spoke in support of receiving militarized equipment.

Gigi Crowder spoke in support of body cameras and vehicle dash cameras to ensure the safety of the officers and protective gear.

Moxie Marsh, Sharon Johnson, and Frank Sterling spoke in opposition of receiving militarized equipment.

Councilmember Torres-Walker spoke on the use of militarized equipment and understands and hears the concerns of the community. The militarization in the City stems from the War on Drugs. We should not be at war with our residents and our community. We should demilitarize our Police Department and stop mismanaging our resources.

Councilmember Ogorchock asks Chief Brooks to provide information on the militarized equipment currently own by Antioch Police Department.

Chief Brooks gave a brief background on Antioch Police Department current militarized equipment. The MRAP (Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected) was free and had minimal expense to outfitted for the departments use. The MRAP is only utilized in high-risk search warrants and arrest warrants.

Following discussion, Mayor Thorpe and Council agreed to look at all possible options on the use of militarized equipment and receiving militarized equipment in the future.

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilson, to direct City staff to investigate a policy that would ban the future purchase or accepting of any military grade equipment for the City. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Ogorchock and Barbanica

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilson, to direct the City Manager to work with the Chief of Police to provide a report to Council with the current inventory and use of military grade equipment. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Ogorchock and Barbanica

4. INCREASED ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY, INCLUDING BODY WORN AND IN VEHICLE CAMERAS

Councilmember Barbanica spoke in support of Antioch Police Officers having body worn cameras and vehicle cameras. He would like to expand the package and include tasers for the officers. The new wireless technology activates the cameras once a firearm is pulled from its holster, or when a TASER is used.

Mayor Thorpe discussed possibly incorporating the following components:

- Outfitted vehicles and body cameras
- Independent review of on-duty Police Officers complaints
- Require that all police stops provide civilians with their name, badge number and the reason for the stop and a card if anyone would like to file a complaint
- Independent Police Oversight Commission

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Kristina Gutilla, Sal Sbranti, Luis Morales, Kelly Teal, Audrey Davis, Kai Montgomery, Cherise Montgomery, Adrienne Davis, Jermone Brown, Gretchen Davis, Gil Murillo, Crystal, and Kristina Gutilla provided written comment in support of body worn cameras and vehicle cameras.

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Gigi Crowder, Sarita B, Danny Espinosa, Robert Collins, Diana Collins Puente, Katherine Walley, Frank Sterling, Moxie Marsh, Hector Malvido, Taylor Sims, Patricia Granados, and Ali Saidi spoke in support body-worn cameras and dash cameras.

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica, the City Council unanimously approved to direct staff to come back with a report outlining the options in terms of body-worn cameras and dash cameras, funding appropriation and recommendations for Antioch Police Officers.

Councilmember Barbanica gave a brief description on the new blue tooth technology available in tasers.

Chief Brooks gave a brief background on the new Bluetooth technology with tasers. The current tasers are of an older model and the new tasers have much more technology that is not available with our old tasers and they cannot be upgraded with the new technology because they are of an older model.

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock to direct City staff to present council a report on the cost associated with tasers in conjunctions with body-worn cameras and dash cameras. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Ogorchock and Barbanica

Noes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe

5. ESTABLISHING INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF ON DUTY POLICE OFFICER COMPLAINTS

Following discussions, Mayor Thorpe and Council discussed their concerns including having transparency in the workplace.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Frank Sterling, Diana Collins Fuente, and Robert Collins spoke in support of transparency within Antioch Police Department.

Councilmember Barbanica, mentioned that he had concerns regarding handing out business cards to the public in fear of receiving an abundance of complaints both founded/unfounded against the Police Officers and fears that the Police Department might have a hard time recruiting future officers.

Mayor Thorpe and Council discussed the process when interacting with Police Officers. Council asks for clarification on what is the policy when someone makes a request to obtain the officers name and badge number. Council agreed that providing educational awareness on the process will help facilitate the process.

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Lazy Brown, Hector Malvido, Frank Sterling, Sharon Johnson, Patricia Granada, Melissa Case, Terrence Valen, Diana Collins Puente, Sarita B., and Marisela Marquez spoke in support of having an establish independent review board for the Antioch Police Department.

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Kristina Gutilla, and Sal Sbranti provided written comment in support of an independent review process for addressing allegations of misconduct by the Antioch Police Officers.

Mayor Thorpe called for a break at 10:32 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 10:38 P.M. with all Councilmembers present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Dr. Marie L. Mallare Jimenez spoke in support of an independent review process for addressing allegations of misconduct by the Antioch Police Officers.

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Sal Sbranti, Jesse Zuniga, Audrey Davis, Kai Montgomery, Cherise Montgomery, Adrienne Davis, Jermone Brown, Gretchen Davis, and Gil Murillo provided written comment in support of an independent review process for addressing allegations of misconduct by the Antioch Police Officers.

At Mayor Thorpe's request, Chief Brooks gave a brief background on the process for addressing complaints.

Councilman Barbanica asks Chief Brooks if all complaints are reviewed and investigated.

Chief Brooks gave a brief explanation on the process when a complaint gets filed with the Antioch Police Department. Complaints can be filed on-line, over the phone or in person. He also mentioned that all complaints get reviewed by him prior to forwarding the complaint to either internal affairs or a supervisor. The complaints are categorized as sustained, not sustain, exonerated, or unfounded/no findings.

Councilman Barbanica asks Chief Brooks if all complaints are reviewed and investigated.

Chief Brooks mentioned that all complaints are investigated either internally or by an external investigators and outside attorneys.

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to direct the City Council to act as the interim Police Oversight Committee to review police policies for Antioch

Police Department with community input and expertise where possible as well as audit all police complaints. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Ogorchock and Barbanica

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to direct the City Manager and the Attorney to provide a staff report with models for Civilian Police Oversight Committee. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe

Noes: Ogorchock and Barbanica

Chief Brooks gave a brief explanation on the process when using an outside investigator. The outside investigators are utilized when a complaint is file with allegations such as biased based policing, excessive use of force, and significant discipline. Items handled internally extend to failing to appear in court for a traffic violation, traffic stop, and or rude behavior.

On motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Torres-Walker to direct the City Manager and the Attorney to work on creating a policy that creates independent investigations. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe, Barbanica

Noes: Ogorchock

6. POLICE HIRING AND SCREENING PRACTICES

Following discussions, Mayor Thorpe and Council discussed their concerns regarding the current hiring practices for the Antioch Police Department.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Sal Sbranti provided written comment in support of allowing Antioch Police Department to hire their own officers.

Gil Murillo provided written comment and would like for Human Resources to assess the impact of such a policy and present their finding at a future meeting.

On motion by Councilmember Barbanica, seconded by Councilmember Ogorchock, the City Council unanimously approved to direct the City Staff to present a policy for the hiring of officers with an open internal investigation case or use of force complaint.

On motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Torres-Walker, the City Council unanimously approved to direct the City Manager to provide a staff report to see if implicit bias testing of Police Officers exist.

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the City Council unanimously approved to direct the City Manager to establish a Chief of Police hiring practice that is open, transparent, and inclusive of community and that the process include an establish salary schedule.

7. NOTIFICATION PROTOCOLS FOR MAJOR INCIDENTS

Following discussions, Mayor Thorpe and Council discussed their concerns with current hiring practices for upper management.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Audrey Davis, Kai Montgomery, Cherise Montgomery, Adrienne Davis, Jermone Brown, Gretchen Davis, and Kristina Gutilla provided written comment in support of having immediate and proper notifications for all escalated incidents of police activity.

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Dr. Marie L. Mallare Jimenez, Sarita B, Frank Sterling, Diana Collins Fuente, and Leslie Brown spoke in support of having immediate and proper notifications for all escalated incidents of police activity.

On motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Barbanica, the City Council unanimously approved to direct the staff to establish a policy outlining notifications process that outlines what and when the City Council, the City Mayor and the community are notified of major incidents by the Antioch Police Department.

8. RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING A POLICY FOR THE CITY, INCLUDING ALL OF ITS DEPARTMENTS, REGARDING THE SELECTION OF ATTORNEYS PROVIDING CONTRACT SERVICES, AND THE REVIEW, AUTHORIZATION AND EXECUTION OF ALL AGREEMENTS FOR LEGAL SERVICES AND SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY ATTORNEYS TO THE CITY

At Mayor Thorpe request, Attorney Smith gave a brief description on the current process of the hiring of attorneys for the City of Antioch.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were read into record by City Clerk Householder:

Sal Sbranti provided written comment asking for the proper selection of attorneys providing contract services to the City of Antioch.

At the request of Councilmember Barbanica, Mayor Thorpe and City Attorney Smith explained the hiring process for outside contracted attorneys to the Council.

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On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, that the City Council adopt a resolution implementing a policy for the City including all its departments regarding the selection of the attorneys provided contract services and the review authorization and execution of all agreements for legal services and services to be provided by attorneys to the City. The motion carried the following vote:

Ayes: Torres-Walker, Wilson, Thorpe,

Noes: Barbanica, Ogorchock

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were read into the record by Administrative Services Director Mastay:

Greg Kremenliev provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Michael Kean, Michael Macfarlane, Norm Machado, and Mary Jane Long provided written comment in support of the Antioch Police Department.

Eleazar Malabanan provided written comment in support of a mental health response team and police reform.

Mary Anne Manumpil provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

K.S., and Dana Evans provided written comment in support police reform.

Victoria Chavez provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Robrielle Beverly provided written comment in support of the Antioch Police Department.

Jim Lanter provided written comment in support of police reform.

Mary Anne provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Tobias Jensen provided written comment in support of the Antioch Police Department.

Anonymous provided written comment in support of police reform.

Mike M provided written comment in support of police reform.

Gil Gurillo provided written comment in support of police transparency.

Linda Cooks provided written comment in support of police reform.

Robert Ronson provided written comment in support of Torres-Walker's recall.

Cole Lewis provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Larisha Martin, Joemae Santos, and Angela Phan provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Christi Morales-Kumasawa provided written comment in support of a mental health response team and police reform.

Maileen Mamaradio, and Juan Carlos Collins provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Brendon provided written comment in support of police reform.

Caitlin Pambid provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto and of police reform.

Kevin Nadal provided written comment in support and solidarity for Angelo Quinto and on mental health response team.

The following public comment was made by an individual who dialed in via telephone during the meeting.

Robert Collins, and Moxie March spoke in support of and solidarity for Angelo Quinto. They also expressed support of a mental health response team and police reform.

Diana Collins Fuente spoke in support of and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Patricia Granadas spoke in support of and solidarity for Angelo Quinto.

Sandy Hartrick spoke in support of the Antioch Police Department.

Isabella Collins spoke in support of and solidarity for Angelo Quinto and police reform.

Zander spoke in support of police reform.

Mayor Thorpe thanked the Council, all City staff for their hard work and support to the community.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Ogorchock, seconded by Councilmember Torres-Walker, the City Council unanimously adjourned the meeting at 12:25 A.M.

EMILY ARREDONDO
Clerk's Administrative Assistant