



Police Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission Minutes for September 1, 2021

- Meeting No. **8 of 11** for calendar year 2021
- Convened at Highland Park Community Center, 1978 Ford Pkwy, Saint Paul, MN 55116
- Called to Order at **6:06** p.m.
- Call to Adjourn at **7:51** p.m.

Present:		Record (Based on Individual Calendar Year)
1.	Chair Travis Grundy	(P 8 , A 0)
2.	Vice Chair Charles Deneen	(P 8 , A 0)
3.	Commissioner Stefan Landreau Vellenga	(P 6 , A 2)
4.	Commissioner Eric Forstrom	(P 8 , A 0)
5.	Commissioner Alex Halverson	(P 6 , A 0)
Absent:		
HREEO Department Staff:		
1.	Sierra Cumberland, Acting PCIARC Coordinator	
2.	Kristien Butler, Interim HREEO Director	
3.	Andrea Cox, HREEO Executive Administrative Assistant	
SPPD Staff:		
1.	Sergeant William Mayavski	
2.	Senior Commander Nicole Spears	
3.	Sergeant Kathy O'Reilly	

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. Approve Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve meeting agenda by Commissioner Forstrom
 - b. Seconded by Vice Chair Deneen
Approved
- III. Approve August Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to amend August minutes by Commissioner Forstrom
 - b. Seconded by Commissioner Halverson
Amendments approved
- IV. SPPD Update

- a. New Saint Paul Police Department Academy will begin October 11th, expecting at least 50 recruits. By year's end, the department is still projected to be below authorized strength, but academy is a step towards getting more officers on the streets. Law enforcement recruitment is currently difficult across the nation, but Saint Paul has feeder programs and recruitment efforts to recruit officers from our community. This includes the Law Enforcement Career Path Academy (LECPA), recruits from the community that have been working with the Department prior to entering the Police Academy. Around 10 LECPA members will participate in October's Police Academy. Future Academies are contingent on budget approval.
- V. HREEO Department Report
- a. PCIARC Coordinator Posting is now live and is being distributed to networks; a few applications have been received. HREEO is moving forward with restructuring the Human Rights Division. Once this process is complete, efforts will shift to the Labor Standards Division.
 - b. PCIARC LEP Summit will take place on September 14th at Marydale Park in St. Paul. Tommie's Pizza will provide food. Ad for the event went out in the Saint Paul Voice.
- VI. Chairs Report
- a. Congratulations to Vice Chair Charles Deneen, who was elected at last month's meeting.
 - b. Reminder to commissioners to complete ride alongs with SPPD by the end of the year. Please follow-up with the Coordinator with any questions regarding this requirement or the upcoming LEP Summit.
 - c. The October PCIARC meeting will be planning for the next year, either during the private or public portion. Chair Grundy requested ideas of possible training topics from SPPD for 2022 from Senior Commander Spears, particularly trainings that could be provided during the Public Portion of PCIARC meetings to share information with the community.
 - d. Whether or not there will be a PCIARC audit is under review by the Mayor's Office. HREEO will follow-up with Assistant City Attorney Siobhan Tolar.
 - e. Saint Paul Foundation Grant to the PCIARC expires at the end of the year and funds are being spent appropriately.
 - f. HREEO Communications team is compiling a pricing list for media outlets for future advertising and outreach for Department activities and groups, such as the PCIARC.
 - g. PCIARC and HREEO will work together to make a strong plan for the PCIARC for the year ahead. Tentatively planning a second community meeting [in addition to Annual Summit] for September 2022. Chair Grundy will draft a roadmap for 2022 Annual Summit, to be discussed at October PCIARC meeting.
 - h. Elections for PCIARC Chair and Vice Chair will take place in February 2022.
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VII. Adjourn to Closed Door Session

VIII. Case Review with Testimony

IX. Chairs Report (Private)

X. Break

XI. Case Review without Testimony

XII. Adjourn