

#### City of Boston, Massachusetts

Office of Police Accountability and Transparency Stephanie Everett, Executive Director

## **OPAT Commission Community Meeting**

#### **Minutes**

Thursday, June 15, 2023 | 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting | Virtual via Zoom & In-Person at the Bruce C. Bolling Municipal

Building, 2nd Floor, School Committee Room, 2300 Washington St, Roxbury, MA 02119

Call to order at 6:08 p.m.

**OPAT Commission Members Present:** Commission Chair & OPAT Executive Director Stephanie Everett; Internal Affairs Oversight Panel (IAOP) Chair Leslie Harris. **OPAT Commission Members Absent:** Civilian Review Board (CRB) Chair Peter Alvarez.

#### Introduction

Chair Stephanie Everett opened the meeting by welcoming members of the public and introduced OPAT Commissioner Honorable Judge Leslie Harris (retired). Chair Everett presented the language access information and an overview of the meeting's agenda.

### **OPAT Commission Public Report**

Chair Everett noted that by ordinance, the OPAT Commission is required to provide a public report on OPAT activities for the quarter. The June 2023 public report covers OPAT activities for FY24 Quarter 3 (January 2023, February 2023, and March 2023). Chair Everett explained that the public report is available at the meeting in paper format and a link was posted on Zoom.

## **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Harris recommended that the Commission take up the March 16, 2023 minutes at the next Commission meeting. Chair Everett agreed.

## **Get to Know Commissioner Cox**

Chair Everett introduced Viviana Wallace as the youth moderator.



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Moderator Wallace introduced Boston Police Commissioner Michael Cox to the audience. Commissioner Cox offered brief remarks on himself.

Moderator Wallace engaged in a one-on-one question and answer period with Commissioner Cox.

#### **Public Comment Period**

Chair Everett opened up the conversation to the community for public comment at 6:47 p.m.

Members of the public reviewing the meeting recording or meeting minutes are welcome to submit written comments by email to <a href="mailto:opatboards@boston.gov">opatboards@boston.gov</a>. Chair Everett thanked the audience for attending the meeting.

Commissioner Harris called for a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Chair Everett. Both commissioners voted to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved on September 21, 2023

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