



# 37586

Resolution

## Appoint Aje Amaechi and Obinna Chiedozie Ugwu-Oju to the Police Accountability Commission

Adopted

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2020, the Portland City Council voted to refer a Charter Amendment to the voters of Portland that would authorize the creation of a new police accountability and oversight system; and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020, Portland voters approved the new Charter Amendment ([Charter 2-10](#)) with 81.58% of voters supporting the ballot measure; and

WHEREAS, the City Council authorized a 20-community member Commission to develop a recommendation to Council for the details of the structure and framework for the new accountability system; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 37548 mandated each Council member to select five people from four different groups: members of historically overpoliced communities, representatives of organizations providing support to overpoliced communities, representatives of community justice organizations, and small business owners; and

WHEREAS, two appointees to the Police Accountability Commission, Alvin Joswick and Winta Yohannes, resigned their seats; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted a robust application process for this commission, receiving over 100 applications for the original appointment and member replacement; and

WHEREAS, all City Council offices collaborated on the selection process for this Commission and agreed to its appointments:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appoints Aje Amaechi and Obinna Chiedozie Ugwu-Oju to serve on the Police Accountability Commission to fill the vacancies caused by Alvin Joswick and Winta Yohannes' resignations; biography and statement of intent are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following this appointment, the community members on the Commission are:

**Members of Overpoliced Communities:** Tirsia Orellana, Christian Orellana Bauer, May Saechao, Angie Tomlinson, Obinna Chiedozie Ugwu-Oju

### Introduced by

[Mayor Ted Wheeler](#)

### Bureau

[Community Safety Division;](#)  
[Management and Finance](#)

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### Requested Agenda Type

Time Certain

### Date and Time Information


<b>Requested Council Date</b>
August 31, 2022
<b>Requested Start Time</b>
9:55 am
<b>Time Requested</b>
10 minutes

**Representatives of Organizations Serving Overpoliced Communities:** Aje Amaechi, Monica Arce, Seemab Hussaini, Lovisa Lloyd, Jason Renaud

**Representatives of Community Justice Organizations:** Faythe Aiken, Debbie Aiona, Sophia Glenn, Dan Handelman, Charlie Michelle-Westley

**Small Business:** Connie Wohn, Eric Hunter, Eva Vega, Katherine McDowell, Keonna Ollison

## Documents and Exhibits

 [Exhibit A](#) (113.39 Kb)

## Impact Statement

### Purpose of Proposed Legislation and Background Information

The Police Accountability Commission is tasked with developing a new administrative investigation and discipline system for Portland police, including the development of a community police oversight board as described in [City Charter Section 2-10](#). The PAC's term began December 9, 2021 and will continue for 18 months, or longer if extended by the City Council.

This resolution appoints a community member to serve for the remainder of the term of the Police Accountability Commission, replacing a member who has resigned, as the commission crafts the details of the new police oversight system. This is the sixth resolution (following resolutions 37527, 37548, 37547, 37569, and 37573) related to the Police Accountability Commission, and the fourth (following 37547, 37569, and 37573) appointing members to the commission.

### Financial and Budgetary Impacts

There is no direct financial or budgetary impact related to this appointment.

### Community Impacts and Community Involvement

- All Portlanders may be impacted by the Police Accountability Commission's work.
- Code changes recommended by the Police Accountability Commission will be presented to the City Council beginning in 2023, and during the commission's work as well as Council consideration, community members are anticipated to engage in the process.
- This appointment was made from the initial applicant pool for the Police Accountability Commission, which included over 100 applications received during the open application process for this Commission that was conducted in 2021.

## **100% Renewable Goal**

Although it is incorporated into the sustainable procurement policy, this specific resolution does not impact the city's use of energy or pursuit of the 100% renewable goal.

## **Budget Office Financial Impact Analysis**

No fiscal impact

## **Agenda Items**

### **735 Time Certain in August 31, 2022 Council Agenda**

Adopted

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea