

#### August 2, 2017

# **Director's Report**

# 1. Independent Police Review (IPR) Work Plan / Accomplishments

### **CRC** Resignation

IPR would like to thank Vanessa Yarie for her service on the CRC, and her contribution to Portland's police oversight system. Vanessa served since 2015, and brought a unique perspective to the CRC from her work in the domestic violence movement. Thank you, Vanessa!

#### **CRC Recruitment**

Citizen Review Committee volunteer recruitment is going strong and IPR Community Outreach Coordinator Irene Konev is attending events, posting online/sending out applications and connecting with community. She attended and networked at Good in the Hood Festival, Breaking Bread and Barriers and at Employment Business Resource Fair. She met with staff of several organizations such as the Urban League of Portland, advocates working with the houseless community, immigrant rights advocates and many others. Current CRC volunteers whose terms are ending are encouraged to reapply. The application is found on the IPR website, and the deadline is October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

#### **Community Outreach**

IPR Director Constantin Severe met with Multnomah County Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson and her staff to expand awareness of IPR's commendation and complaint process. IPR Lead Investigator Eric Berry attended a meeting at Sisters of the Road, where he connected with members of Right2Survive PDX.

### **Equity Now Community Dialogues**

In 2016, IPR and PSU Intern Keela Johnson created the Equity Now Dialogues on police accountability to hear community. The purpose of the dialogues is intentionally constructed for deep connection, participation and inquiry so community members inform IPR on the needs of their community and feel heard by IPR staff and CRC members. The dialogues on police accountability are emotionally safe spaces with expert dialogue facilitation, childcare and culturally-specific food. Simultaneous interpretation is provided to help immigrant community members feel heard in their own language. Two dialogues took place in 2016, and IPR heard from immigrants of Mexico, Guatemala, Russia, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan, and Pakistan.

In June 2017, IPR staff partnered with community-based organizations and held two dialogues. One was held in NE Portland and immigrants from Mexico and Guatemala shared feedback on policing and informed IPR of their public safety needs. A second dialogue was held in SE Portland and immigrants from Ukraine and other Eastern European countries shared feedback about policing in Portland. This feedback will inform IPR on the direction of policy reviews and on ways to better support complainants from these communities. Konev coordinated and attended the dialogues. IPR Investigator Dierdre Perez,



CRC members Roberto Rivera and Andrea Chiller attended and heard the community. More dialogues are being planned for the winter.

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# 2. IPR Caseload

Intake Investigations Pending at IPR				
	6-5-17	7-3-17	7-31-17	
Number of cases (and median age)	31 (48 days)	31 (25 days)	24 (13.5 days)	

#### 3. Internal Affairs Caseload

Cases Pending at Internal Affairs					
	6-5-17	7-3-17	7-31-17		
Under investigation (median age*)	15 (89 days)	18 (40 days)	19 (64 days)		
(illediali age )	(8 Community, 7	(14 Community, 4	(15 Community, 4		
	Bureau)	Bureau)	Bureau)		
Awaiting assignment (median age*)	11 (38 days)	5 (33 days)	4 (50.5 days)		
(illediali age )	(8 Community, 3	(5 Community, 0	(4 Community, 0 Bureau)		
	Bureau)	Bureau)			
Service Improvement	7 (35 days)	3 (61 days)	3 (46 days)		
Opportunities (median age*)					

<sup>\*</sup> Median age includes the time the cases were pending at IPR before being referred to Internal Affairs.

# 4. Status of Officer-involved Shootings and In-Custody Death Investigations

	INCIDENT DATE	CASE	SUBJECT	OFFICER(S)	IA INV	IPR NOTES
1	5-10-17	17-B-28	T. Johnson	Ajir	Rhodes, Stout	Investigation Ongoing
2	5-28-17	17-B-29	Grubbe	S. Fox	Holmgren, Rovinelli	Investigation Ongoing

# 5. <u>Current IPR Independent Investigations</u>

	Date Opened	Case Number
1	12/29/16	2016-B-0053
2	10/13/16	2016-C-0378
3	11/17/16	2016-C-0401
4	11/30/16	2016-C-0404
5	11/30/16	2016-C-0405
6	3/30/17	2017-B-0020
7	1/19/17	2017-C-0017
8	2/13/17	2017-C-0045
9	3/2/17	2017-C-0061
10	7/6/17	2017-C-0187

Respectfully submitted,

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