

City of Maplewood

Police Use of Force (UoF) Workgroup Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 3, 2016

1) CALL TO ORDER

The seventh meeting of the Use of Force Workgroup was called to order at 6:35 PM by Chair Neblett.

2) ROLL CALL

A quorum of the UoF Workgroup was in attendance at the meeting, including:

- Sylvia Neblett, Chair
- Dave Singleton Co-Chair
- Melissa Sonnek
- Rita Janisch
- Mary Schoenborn
- Dave Mathews
- Anne Bryson
- Juan Wilson
- William Josten
- Kathryn Hatlestad
- Lenna Scott
- Sarah Lilja

Staff Present:

- Paul Schnell, Police Chief
- Cassie Fisher, Admin Assistant to the Police Chief/Police Data Analyst

Others Present:

- Bryan Smith, Councilmember
- James Meehan, Police Civil Service Commission member

Absent:

- Evelyn Combs
- Tzianeng Vang

3) BUSINESS AGENDA

- a. Approval of November 3, 2016 Agenda.
- b. Approval of October 27, 2016 Meeting Minutes.
- c. Selection of workgroup Vice-Chair:

- The nomination of David Singleton for Vice-Chair was moved and seconded, The motion was approved by unanimous decision.

d. Use of Force overview, and weapons & tactics briefing:

- 1) Intent to close meeting as allowed by Minnesota Statute 13D.05, Subd. 3(d).
 - Chief Schnell provided an explanation of the need for a closed session so members could be briefed on tactics, weapon systems, and capabilities by the department's "Use of Force" training staff.
 - Upon the matter being moved and seconded, it was approved by unanimous decision.
- 2) Re-open meeting.
 - Upon the matter being moved and seconded, it was approved by unanimous decision.
- 3) Summary of closed session activities:
 - Four of the police department's "Use of Force" instructors gave an overview and briefing of a range of tactical capabilities and tools, and how they are used.

e. The following items are on the agenda for review and discussion during the November 10, 2016 meeting:

- Chapter 3: General Operations – Use of Force.
- Items recommended that would aid in the review and discussion of Chapter 3:
 - 1) ICAT – A Training Guide for Defusing Critical Incidents
 - 2) Final Report on The President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing

4) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Smith asked the group if they would like him to bring any information to the November 14 City Council meeting to update them on the group's activities. Chief Schnell reminded the group that the Body Worn Camera policy would be presented to the City Council during this meeting. Chair Neblett suggested the group create a statement during the November 10 meeting to give to the Council at the November 14 meeting.

5) NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the workgroup shall be held on Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 6:30 PM (to 9:00 PM) at the Maplewood Police Department.

6) ADJOURNMENT

The Use of Force Workgroup meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM.