



Community Police Advisory Review Board (CPARB)

Legal Action Report

Ward 6 Community Room
Hybrid Meeting
3202 E. First Street, Tucson, AZ 85716
Tuesday, May 20, 2025

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Tadeo at 5:34 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Members Present:

Jaime Tadeo, *Chairperson*
Kate Calhoun (*Hybrid/Virtual*)
Carlos R. Portillo
Nancy Huff

Representing:

Mayor
Ward 4
Ward 5
Ward 6

Ex-Officio Members:

Mitch Kagen, <i>Ex-Officio (Non-Voting)</i>	City Manager's Office
Sgt. Darrell Hussman, <i>Ex-Officio (Non-Voting)</i>	Tucson Police Department
Stacie Schaner, <i>Assistant Police Chief, Tucson Police Department</i>	Tucson Police Department
Roi Lusk, <i>City Attorney</i>	City Attorney's Office
Jay Calhoun Zenzen, <i>City Attorney</i>	City Attorney's Office

Members Absent:

Annabelle Nuñez, *Vice Chair*
Jerry Flanary (*Non-Voting Advisory Member*)
Vacant
Vacant

Representing:

Ward 3
CPARB
Ward 1
Ward 2

Others Present:

Capt. Cindy Mechtel	Tucson Police Department
Lt. Lissette Gomez	Tucson Police Department
Ana Juarez, Administrative Assistant	City Clerk's Office
Adriana Garcia, Administrative Assistant	City Clerk's Office

2. Approval of Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from April 15, 2025.

It was moved by Nancy Huff, duly seconded by Kate Calhoun, and passed by a roll call vote of 3 to 0, to approve the Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from April 15, 2025.

3. Report from Chairperson (Information Only)

Chairperson Jamie Tadeo indicated that board members' training hours are still under review.

4. TPD Presentation: “*Use of Electronic Detection K9 in Law Enforcement*” Presented by Gayle Warran, Forensic Scientist III, and K9 partner Zona

The presentation has been rescheduled to the next CPARB meeting on June 17, 2025.

5. Call to the Audience

The City Clerk’s Office did not receive any requests to speak.

6. Review of TPD Investigations:

1. Case # 23-0416

It was moved by Kate Calhoun, duly seconded by Nancy Huff, and passed by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 to find Case #23-0416, to have been a fair and thorough investigation.

2. Case # 24-0038

It was moved by Jaime Tadeo, duly seconded by Nancy Huff, and passed by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 to find Case #24-0038 to have been a fair and thorough investigation.

3. Case # 24-0019

It was moved by Nancy Huff, duly seconded by Jaime Tadeo, and passed by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 to find Case #24-0119, to have been a fair and thorough investigation.

7. Tucson Police Department:

A. TPD Updates regarding events or developments relating to TPD during the prior month

TPD has communicated that several employees recently participated in National Police Week held in Washington, D.C. During this event, they honored fallen officers, including Officer Adam Buckner, who tragically lost his life in a traffic accident, and Detective Jason Southern, who succumbed to complications related to COVID-19 exposure.

As summer approaches, the police department is proactively preparing for a projected increase in criminal activity, particularly among juveniles. Their initiatives are focused on collaborating

with educational institutions to engage children in constructive activities.

Furthermore, there has been a notable rise in incidents related to street racing, theft, and the distribution of THC vape cartridges.

An update was also provided regarding Officer Ryan Vera, who was assaulted while performing his duties. He is reported to be recovering well at home.

Lastly, the city continues to navigate its budget process following the unsuccessful outcome of Proposition 414.

B. Office of Professional Standards/ Updates regarding events or developments relating to the Office of Professional Standards during the prior month.

The department recently appointed its final Sergeant, and with the beginning of summer, it anticipates an increase in service calls and complaints. Additionally, the department is collaborating with the research and analysis team to update its use-of-force dashboard. This initiative aims to enhance transparency concerning officers' use of force by illustrating trends from the past five years. The dashboard will be accessible to both researchers and community members, allowing them to analyze data related to crime and use of force, considering factors such as socio-economic status and race. Although the dashboard is still under development and not yet available to the public, there are active efforts to ensure that the data is presented in a clear and comprehensible manner.

8. Office of Independent Police Auditor

Report was given by Mitch Kagen of the Office of Independent Police Auditor. A discussion was held. No action was taken.

Rocque Perez, the new council member for Ward 5, is highly interested in CPARB. He has participated in City Boards and recognizes the importance of an engaged community.

A range of innovative recruiting strategies was explored to effectively enhance our efforts in filling the open vacancies in Ward 1 and Ward 2.

9. CPARB Vacancies

Chair Tadeo informed the Clerk's office that a colleague's application for Ward 1 will be submitted shortly.

10. Future Agenda Items

The Presentation on Kona, the K-9, and their handler has been rescheduled for the next CPARB meeting

City Attorney Roi Lusk proudly introduced Jay Calhoun Zenzen as the new City Attorney for the CPARB, marking an exciting new chapter for the city's legal team.

11. Adjournment

Chair Tadeo adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Ward 6 Community Room, Hybrid Meeting

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