



Community Police Advisory Review Board (CPARB) Minutes

Ward 6 Community Room

Hybrid Meeting

3202 E. First Street, Tucson, AZ 85716

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:51 p.m. by Chair Calhoun. She stated that, for the record, it would reflect that the Clerk's Office approved a two-person quorum of the number of appointed commission members for the meeting.

Those present and absent were:

Members Present:

Annabelle Nuñez, *Vice Chair*

Kate Calhoun, *Chair*

Representing:

Ward 3

Ward 4

Non-Voting Advisory Members:

Jerry Flanary

CPARB

Ex-Officio Members:

Mitch Kagen

Assistant Police Chief, Lt. James Wakefield

Sgt. Darrell Hussman

City Manager's Office

Tucson Police Department

Tucson Police Department

Members Absent:

Katie Voll

Carlos R. Portillo

Representing:

Ward 6

Ward 5

Others Present:

Lt. Jesse Chamberlain

Ana Juarez, Administrative Assistant

Office of Professional Standards

City Clerk's Office

2. Approval of Legal Action Report and Minutes of April 21, 2026.

It was moved by Commissioner Vice Chair Annabelle Nuñez, duly seconded by Commissioner Chair Kate Calhoun, and passed by a roll call vote of 2 to 0, to approve the Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from April 21, 2026.

3. Report from Vice Chairperson (Information Only)

Chair Calhoun reported the need to complete and return documentation to the Clerk's Office identifying the remaining 2026 CPARB meeting dates.

City Clerk staff reminded Chair Calhoun that this matter was agendized under Item No. 10 regarding the Public Notice Statement and 2026 CPARB meeting date changes.

Item No. 10 was moved out of order. Discussed after Item No. 3

10. Public Notice Statement: 2026 CPARB Changes to Meeting Dates

Discussion was held regarding the 2026 public notice statement and whether CPARB meetings should be moved from Tuesdays due to occasional conflicts with Mayor and Council meetings and holidays. After discussion, CPARB members agreed to continue holding meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Ward 6 Tucson City Council Office. Coordination with Ward 6 staff regarding room availability was confirmed.

The item was discussed only, and no formal action was taken.

4. Call to the Audience

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

5. 45-minute Presentation with Lieutenant Mark Jimenez from Tucson Police Department Narcotics Alliance on: Safe City Narcotics Initiative

Lieutenant Jimenez of the Tucson Police Department's Counter Narcotics Alliance presented the Safe City Narcotics Initiative, a coordinated effort to address ongoing open-air drug use and sales in Tucson. The initiative aligns with the Mayor's Safe City goals and focuses on a multi-agency, data-driven strategy.

Key components include:

- **Hotspot policing and enforcement:** Using data to identify high-activity areas and deploying uniformed and plainclothes officers for targeted operations.
- **Environmental changes:** Addressing site conditions that contribute to drug activity, such as lighting, vegetation, access control, and business engagement.
- **Tracking and accountability:** Building systems to monitor deployments, manpower, and activity across locations.

- **Focused deterrence (future phase):** Using data analysis to identify individuals most likely to reoffend and offering services and interventions, in coordination with courts and prosecutors when needed.

The initiative also includes community outreach through existing core teams and aims to integrate additional partners, such as public health and research/analysis units. Long-term goals are to reduce narcotics activity, improve community quality of life, and refine data-driven policing strategies.

During the discussion, members asked about identifying “future offenders,” public health involvement, and balancing enforcement (such as bus stops and panhandling areas) with service-based interventions. The lieutenant clarified that the approach combines enforcement with outreach and is still in early development.

6. Review of TPD Investigations:

1. Case # 25-0370

It was moved by Commissioner Chair Kate Calhoun, duly seconded by Commissioner Vice Chair Annabelle Nuñez, and passed by a roll call vote of 2 to 0 to find Case #25-0370, to have been a fair and thorough investigation.

The motion passed by a vote of 2 to 0.

2. Case # 25-0264

It was moved by Commissioner Chair Kate Calhoun, duly seconded by Vice Chair Annabelle Nuñez, and passed by a roll call vote of 2 to 0 to find Case #25-0264, to have been a fair and thorough investigation.

The motion passed by a vote of 2 to 0.

3. Case # 26-0148

It was moved by Commissioner Chair Kate Calhoun, duly seconded by Vice Chair Annabelle Nuñez, and passed by a roll call vote of 2 to 0 to find Case #26-0106, to have been a fair and thorough investigation.

The motion passed by a vote of 2 to 0.

7. Tucson Police Department:

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

TPD reported on preparations for the upcoming World Cup (FIFA) soccer-related activity in Tucson. The Iranian national team is expected to use Tucson as a base camp from June 5–26, staying in Oro Valley and practicing at Kino Sports Complex. The team will travel intermittently for matches in Los Angeles and Seattle. Law enforcement agencies, including TPD, the Pima County Sheriff's Department, and others, are coordinating security efforts. FIFA is providing some funding for special

duty and motorcade-related costs, though it is not expected to fully cover expenses. The FBI and the Sheriff's Department are taking the lead on broader security coordination.

Officials noted that while Tucson is serving as a base camp, the event is not expected to bring a large economic impact due to limited fan presence and mostly closed practices, but it will require sustained law enforcement support.

TPD also provided an update on a recent incident at an ICE facility in the Valencia/Greenlee area. After a detention earlier in the day, a spontaneous protest occurred at the site. TPD responded by establishing a perimeter to maintain safety and allow First Amendment activity while respecting the property owner's request that protests remain off-site. Congressional and consular representatives were granted coordinated access through ICE to speak with the detained individual. The incident resulted in one citation and no use of force or property damage. TPD noted it has responded to several similar events in the past year and expects more if ICE operations increase.

The discussion also touched on policy issues around ICE operations, masking, and city property use. Officers clarified that ICE operates under its own masking policies due to safety concerns, while TPD officers generally do not wear masks under policy. City directives reportedly restrict federal agencies from using city properties for staging or briefings to maintain separation from their activities.

Finally, there was a brief discussion about the possibility that members of visiting soccer teams could seek asylum while in the U.S.; officials confirmed there is a federal process involving the Department of State and the FBI if that occurs.

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

The Office of Professional Standards currently has 101 open cases. In April, 63 cases were closed, and 40 new cases were opened. Most closures are classified as NEC3 (external complaint 3), meaning they are resolved after a review of body-worn camera footage that shows no policy violations. These cases are typically summarized and closed at an early stage, though they still undergo review and may involve additional checks (records, interviews, license plates, etc.).

OPS staff emphasized that body-worn cameras are a key tool for transparency and accountability and also help protect officers by providing clear evidence that can resolve complaints.

The workload includes a mix of case types within the 101 open cases: 25 internal investigations, 26 vehicle collisions, 7 administrative inspections, and 18 external complaints that may be forwarded to patrol divisions for investigation. Some cases are still being triaged and assigned.

There was also discussion about internal investigations. It was noted that these originate within the department (chain of command or officer reporting officer conduct) and are generally viewed as a sign of accountability and oversight rather than negative performance alone. Participants debated whether higher numbers indicate morale issues or stronger accountability, with the conclusion leaning toward internal investigations reflecting a willingness to address issues rather than ignore them. Overall, the tone of the discussion framed OPS work as high-volume, structured, and focused on transparency, accountability, and thorough review processes.

8. Office of Independent Police Auditor

Mitch Kagan stated that there was a positive discussion with a Ward 3 aide about a proposed amendment to the Mayor and Council that would include CPARB members on the list of commission members exempt from the eight-year term limit. The speaker felt the conversation went well and helped clarify the issue. He stated that Annabelle will be completing her final CPARB meeting soon, after reaching her term limit. With upcoming changes, it's noted that a quorum can still be met with two members. Ward 2 has interviewed two candidates (including Jerry) and is preparing to make an appointment. There is also discussion about potentially assigning the second interested candidate to another ward with an open seat. Overall, vacancies remain with Ward 1, the Mayor's seat, and Ward 2, and appointments could happen quickly or be delayed further.

9. Possible Ordinance/Tucson Code Changes regarding the future of the Community Police Advisory Review Board (CPARB) direction (Discussion/Action).

It was noted that additional follow-up would be conducted through calls and emails to help expedite the matter. The next Mayor and Council meeting was confirmed for June 2, 2026, and outreach to the Ward 4 Tucson City Council Office was discussed to encourage support for a proposal being considered by the Ward 3 Tucson City Council Office.

10. Public Notice Statement: 2026 CPARB Changes to Meeting Dates

Note: This item was taken out of order and heard after item number 3.

11. CPARB Vacancies

CPARB members stated that they have the Mayor, Wards 1 and 2 vacancies.

12. Future Agenda Items

Chair Calhoun requested an update at the next meeting regarding the team's anticipated departure from the United States on June 26, including potential law enforcement and public safety impacts, media coverage concerns, contingency planning for possible protests, visa uncertainties for participating athletes, and coordination efforts involving the Tucson Police Department and other agencies.

13. Adjournment

Chair Calhoun adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, June 16, 2026
Ward 6 Community Room, Hybrid Meeting
3202 E. First Street, Tucson, AZ 85716