

## **Special Commission on Facial Recognition Meeting Minutes**

Friday, July 9, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. (Virtual Meeting)

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### Agenda:

- I. Introduction/Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes from 5.21.21 Meeting
- III. Discussion of Facial Recognition Limitation in Police Reform
- IV. Discussion of Facial Recognition Limitations in Other Jurisdictions
- V. Review of Statutory Charge
- VI. Discussion of Topics for Future Meetings
  - a. Public Input
  - b. Information Requests to Local Law Enforcement and Prosecutors
- VII. Schedule Next Meeting

Chair Day opened the meeting, welcomed members, and made introductory remarks.

Chair Day recognized Chair Eldridge who made introductory remarks.

Chair Day directed that a roll call of the Commission be taken.

### Commissioners Present:

Chair Day  
Chair Eldridge  
Commissioner Rogers  
Commissioner Woodward  
Commissioner Hartzog  
Commissioner Dyson  
Commissioner Cordy  
Commissioner Rebello-Pradas  
Commissioner Ogilvie  
Commissioner Learned-Miller  
Commissioner Range  
Commissioner Crockford  
Commissioner Spurlock  
Commissioner Nkonde  
Commissioner Verma  
Commissioner Conley

### Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Gomez (Lauren Matteodo appeared on his behalf)  
Commissioner Creem  
Commissioner Brooks  
Commissioner Farnsworth  
Commissioner O'Keefe

Chair Eldridge asked Commissioners to review minutes from the May 21, 2021 Commission meeting and offer any edits or comments. No comments or edits were made. Chair Eldridge asked for a motion to approve the minutes. There was a motion made by Commissioner Rebello-Pradas, seconded by Commissioner Hartzog, and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Crockford provided a presentation on facial recognition legislation in other jurisdictions and then fielded questions from members.

Chair Day provided a presentation on facial recognition legislation included in Chapter 253 of the Acts of 2020 (Police Reform Law) and then fielded questions from members.

The commission reviewed the statutory charge.

Chair Day then opened the commission up to a discussion on potential topics for future meetings. Chair Day suggested inviting public input at the next meeting to take place at the end of July. He then suggested requesting information from local law enforcement about their past and current use of facial recognition for discussion at the following meeting to take place in September.

Commissioners supported the Chair's suggestions and further discussed what information to request and which agencies to request information from. Commissioner Crockford suggested creating a survey for law enforcement agencies to fill out, so there is uniformity in information requested and received. Commissioner Rebello-Pradas requested that Commissioners be able to review the requests before they go out. Chair Day agreed and suggested that Commissioners email Judiciary Committee General Counsel Dianna Williams with any questions or information that they would like included.

Chair Day noted that, after these next two meetings, the Commission will be in a better position to engage in more substantive policy discussions.

Chair Day noted that the next meeting would take place on Friday, July 30, 2021, likely at 11 a.m., thanked Commissioners for their work, made closing remarks, and requested a motion to adjourn.

Chair Eldridge made closing remarks and moved to end the meeting. Commissioner Crockford seconded and the meeting ended.