



**CITY OF BOULDER  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM**

**MEETING DATE: January 26, 2023**

**AGENDA TITLE**

Consideration of a motion to approve Selection Committee recommendations for members of the Police Oversight Panel, as outlined in Title 2, Chapter 11, “Police Oversight,” B.R.C. 1981, pertaining to the composition, duties and powers of the city organization related to civilian oversight of the police and setting forth related details.

**PRESENTER(S)**

Nuria Rivera-Vandermyde, City Manager  
Teresa Taylor Tate, City Attorney  
Aimee Kane, Equity Officer  
City of Boulder Police Oversight Selection Committee

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this item is to request City Council approval of the Police Oversight Panel members and alternates selected by the City of Boulder’s Police Oversight Selection Committee. On November 10, 2020, Council passed a motion to adopt Ordinance 8430 amending Title 2, Chapter 11, “Police Oversight,” B.R.C. 1981, pertaining to the composition, duties and powers of the city organization related to civilian oversight of the police, and setting forth related details. Additionally, on July 21, 2022 Council passed a motion to adopt Ordinance 8543 amended section 2-11-6 “Police Oversight Panel – Qualifications and Appointments,” B.R.C. 1981, Increasing the number of Panel members to eleven and alternates to four; and setting forth related details.

The ordinances call for the formation of a Selection Committee to interview and select six new panel members and four alternates. Consistent with the ordinances, the Selection

Committee consisted of two current members of the Police Oversight Panel along with a representative from two non-profit organizations that serve the Boulder community. El Centro Amistad and the NAACP of Boulder County were the two non-profits selected by the Police Oversight Panel to serve on the Selection Committee.

### **Process**

Applications to serve on the Police Oversight Panel were accepted from September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. A total of 57 individuals applied. The Selection Committee members reviewed all application materials and selected 19 applicants to interview and interviewed 18 applicants. Interviews occurred from November 9-20, 2022. The Selection Committee then met on November 20, 2022 to discuss the interviewed applicants and select the six panel members and four alternates.

At the December 15<sup>th</sup>, council meeting, council members passed the following motion language: *To refer Consent Agenda Item 3E back to the Selection Committee to relook at all applicants or all recommended panelists under code criteria that are required to be appointed and eligible for this panel with guidance from the City Attorney's Office and with explanations or certifications explaining the steps that were taken, in writing.*

On December 19<sup>th</sup> the selection reconvened with City Manager Nuria Rivera-Vandermyde and City Attorney Teresa Taylor Tate to discuss council's ask and next steps. Also, on December 19<sup>th</sup>, the selection committee received a package of public comment materials that were sent to council referencing the candidate slate for the police oversight panel.

A written detail of the selection process, including demographics can be found as Attachment B.

The selection committee is reaffirming their selections of panelists and alternates as listed below.

### **Recommendations**

The six applicants chosen by the Selection Committee are:

1. Maria Soledad-Diaz
2. Madelyn Strong Woodley
3. Sam Zhang
4. Lisa Sweeney-Miran
5. Mylene Vialard
6. Jason Savela

The four alternates chosen by the Selection Committee are:

1. Kristen Drybread
2. Lizzie Friend

3. Arlette “AB” Barlow
4. Sourisack Luangrath

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**Suggested Motion Language:**

Staff requests council consideration of this matter and action in the form of the following motion:

Motion to approve , as outlined in Title 2, Chapter 11, “Police Oversight,” B.R.C. 1981, pertaining to the composition, duties and powers of the city organization related to civilian oversight of the police and setting forth related details.

### **ATTACHMENT**

- A – Nominated Panel Members’ Bios and Video Interview Links
- B – Police Oversight Panel Selection Panel + Demographics