

# MEMORANDUM

TO: Community Oversight Board

FROM: William C. Weeden, Executive Director, COB

DATE: October 17, 2019

RE: Executive Director's Report

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

# TRAINING

MNPD Citizen's Police Academy

Members of the COB and MNCO continue to attend the 12-week MNPD Citizen's Police Academy.

Procedural Justice and Police Legitimacy

A community training program, "Procedural Justice and Police Legitimacy," is scheduled for October 24th and 25th, 2019. The training is scheduled from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm each day and is open to the public. The training will be held at American Baptist College, Lewis and Scruggs Development Center

# ENGAGEMENT

# Metro Council Orientation Program

Executive Director Weeden appeared at the orientation program for new Metro Council members on October 5th, 2019, and presented an overview of how the MNCO functions and the current issues facing MNCO and the COB.

# IMF Luncheon

Executive Director Weeden, Assistant Director Fitcheard, Community Liaison Thompson, and Investigators Williams, Johnson, and Ramirez attended the monthly IMF Luncheon at the Jefferson Street Baptist Church on October 9th, 2019. Executive Director Weeden, Assistant Director Fitcheard, Community Liaison Thompson, presented an overview of how the MNCO functions and answered questions from luncheon guests.

### District Attorney's Body Worn Camera Briefing

Executive Director Weeden and Assistant Director Fitcheard attended District Attorney Glenn Funk's Body Worn Camera public briefing on October 14, 2019.

#### Metro Minority Council Caucus

Executive Director Weeden and Assistant Director Fitcheard attended the monthly meeting of the Metro Minority Council Caucus on October 15, 2019.

#### Jesse Goldberg Show

Executive Director Weeden appeared on the Jesse Goldberg Show on October 16, 2019. The segment will air on the NECAT Network at a later date.

# **OPERATIONS**

#### Case Activity Summary

We have received a total of 27 cases through the intake process and 4 cases remain open for investigation. We have closed 23 cases due to the time jurisdiction policy, referrals to other agencies, and/or administratively/unfounded. We also have three policy review matters pending. Please refer to the "Case Complaint Log," "Policy Review Log," and "Monthly Statistical Report," for a complete summary of all case activity.

#### Case Records Request Summary

We have submitted a records request to MNPD on 10 cases. Please refer to the 'Complaints with Records Request Status' report for a complete summary of records requested, records received, and reasons for denials.

#### Software / Accessibility

Metro ITS has provided MNCO with the ArcGIS desktop package. ArcGIS is a geographic information system for working with maps and geographic information. It is used for creating and using maps, compiling geographic data, and analyzing mapped information,

# FACILITIES

#### Permanent Office Space

The MNCO permanent office space remains on with a completion date of October 31, 2019.

A final meeting with the construction team was conducted on October 18, 2019. Present was representatives from Metro General Services, ITS, Building General Contractor, AV Vendor, and the 211 Group representative of the Washington Square Building.

MNCO was approved on October 15, 2019 for \$30,0000 of 4% funds from the General Fund Reserve. The funds will be placed in our operating budget and are to be used for office furnishing, equipment, and improvements.

# STAKEHOLDERS

# Mayor John Cooper

Executive Director Weeden, Assistant Director Fitcheard, and Board Chair Davis met with Mayor John Cooper and members of his staff on October 8th, 2019, to discuss issues of concern to the COB. Attending the meeting from the Mayor's staff was Ben Eagles (Chief of Staff), John Buntin (Policy Director), Katie Lentil (Director of Communication), and Mike Jameson (Director of Legislative Affairs).

Mayor Cooper was extended an invitation to appear at the October Community Oversight Board meeting on October 17, 2019. The Mayor's office has not responded at this time.

#### Metro Nashville Police Department

Chief Steve Anderson was invited to attend the September Community Oversight Board meeting held on October 2nd, 2019. Chief Anderson did not respond to the invitation and did not appear.

Executive Director Weeden, Assistant Director Fitcheard, and Board Member Turner met with MNPD Chief Anderson and OPA Director Morante on October 10th, 2019, to discuss the proposed MOU.

Chief Anderson was invited on October 10th and October 16th to attend the COB Monthly Board Meeting scheduled for October 23rd, 2019. As of this date, Chief Anderson has not responded to the invitations.

#### Fraternal Order of Police

FOP President James Smallwood requested a meeting with The MNCO on October 15, 2019, regarding the proposed MOU agreement with MNPD. This meeting was declined as the FOP, along with various other organizations, was invited to participate in the community comment portion of the MOU drafting process this past September. The FOP declined to participate in those meetings when other organizations chose to respond and participate.

#### **District Attorney Liaison**

MNCO conducted the first monthly meeting with District Attorney Liaison Jenny Charles on October 11, 2019.