

COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT TASK FORCE
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
March 18, 2018

Present at the meeting with Community Oversight Task Force (COTF) members: Marvin McKenstry, Ray Kelly, Catalina Byrd, Daniel Levine, Ralph Hughes, Danielle Kushner, Andrew Reinel, Jeffrey Anderson, Denise Duval.

Also present were:

Dayvon Love, COTF Report Writer

I. Meeting called to order at 2:20 pm

II. Approval of Minutes

III. Subcommittee Reports:

Ray Kelly presented on the ABCD (Asset Based Community Development) method of community development. Mr. Kelly then led members through an exercise using this method.

Mr. McKenstry assigns Sen. Hughes, Ray Kelly, Catalina Byrd and Dayvon Love with developing a list of important stakeholders that will be crucial for making sure that the final COTF report will be impactful.

There was also a charge by Mr. McKenstry to figure out if there were community events that COTF can attend in order to tap into existing community events. This was discussed in response to the notion that community members may have meeting fatigue.

A. COTF Report Writing

The writer of the COTF report introduced themselves to the members of COTF. They described the general technical process that Leaders of a Beautiful Struggle will use in producing the report. He also asked the members the following questions in order to help inform the approach to writing the report:

1. What are the general impressions of CRB and how it interacts with potential proposals?
2. Are there any thoughts about post consent decree post report roles for COTF?
3. What are people's thoughts about being deliberate about decentralizing the power that the mayor has over mechanism of oversight of police?
4. What is the relationship with the monitor? What ways can the monitor be asked to formally participate in the formulation of the findings?
5. What role is COTF comfortable with in terms of the integration of race equity as methodology of presenting the information of the report?

B. Community Engagement

The meeting ended with a conversation about hosting community forums. There was a suggestion made to use a term other than forums to address the fact that there are many forums that community members are asked to participate that often yield minimal results.

The group decided that there will be 5 total community conversations. Community Conversations will happen between April and June 1st, 2018. Time constraints necessitate 5 community conversations instead of 9. The following are tentative community conversations:

- ✓ Mt Pleasant for north east Baltimore on 5/21
- ✓ St. Peter Cleaver for central west Baltimore tentatively 4/14
- ✓ April 23rd is a forum at Empowerment Temple for Northwest Baltimore 6-9pm
- ✓ Possible Ceasefire collaboration for a forum on Mother's Day wknd May 11th or 12th at Mobtown
- ✓ May 1,2 or 3rd South east Location to be determined

There was discussion of the format for the community conversations and potential community surveys.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00p.m.