



MONTGOMERY COUNTY

ADVISORY COMMISSION ON POLICING

PUBLIC FORUM

County Council Building

September 8, 2025



I. INTRODUCTION

Reverend Brian Bellamy

Chair

Advisory Commission on Policing



AGENDA

I. Introduction

II. Background

III. Listening Session

IV. Adjournment



II. BACKGROUND

Francisco Javier González

Co-Vice Chair

Advisory Commission on Policing



BACKGROUND

- **Created in 2019 by the Montgomery County Council**
- **Response to public dialogue around policing practices**
- **Desire to increase community involvement in matters of public safety**



COMPOSITION

15 members:

- **13 public voting members**
 - 11 Appointed by Council
 - 2 Appointed by Executive
- **2 non-voting, institutional members**
 - MCPD
 - Fraternal Order of the Police Lodge 35



COMPOSITION MEMBERSHIP

Public members should reflect the diversity of the County's communities, with emphasis on those disproportionately impacted by inequities; and

Have an interest or expertise in policing matters.

3-year terms



COMPOSITION LIST OF MEMBERS

Council Designated Commissioners

Reverend Brian Bellamy (Chair)

C. Arthur Blair

Cherri Branson

Kristy Daphnis

Christina DeLane

Francisco Javier González (Co-Vice
Chair)

Henry Mulzac

John Stephenson

Teresa Walsh

Sean Watson

Sony George

Executive Designated Commissioners

Eva Quittman (Co-Vice Chair)

Lauren Cotton



COMPOSITION EX OFFICIO

Institutional Ex Officio Members

- Captain Kathy Estrada, Director of Community Engagement Division, MCPD (Chief's Designee)
- Sergeant Cate Brewer, MCPD (Fraternal Order of the Police Lodge 35 Designee)



MISSION and RESPONSIBILITIES

- Advise the Council on policing matters;
- Provide information regarding best practices on policing matters;
- Recommend policies, programs, legislation, or regulations;
- Comment on matters referred to it by the Council;
- Conduct at least one public forum each year;
- Accept correspondence and comments from the public; and
- Engage in public education.

NOTE: The Commission **is not** a regulatory or disciplinary body over any law enforcement agency. The Commission must forward to the Police Accountability Board complaints involving police misconduct and discipline that fall under its jurisdiction.



PRIORITIES

County Council seeks data-driven solutions to provide fair, effective, and equitable policing to the community.

1. Continue to review the Department's ability to collect, analyze, and use **data** in its work to provide effective, responsive, and equitable policing;
2. Proactively **seek out community input** from a diverse group of community members, to focus on those who live and work in areas disproportionately impacted by crime and policing.
3. Provide an analysis and any recommendations on all **pending legislation that impacts police**.
4. Work with the Police Department to better understand how aspects of **police reform** have been working, specifically focusing on the State Police Accountability Act of 2021.



WORK

Meetings

- Hold monthly and in accordance with the state's Open Meetings Act
- Open to the public
- Usually at 6:30pm on the second Monday of the month
- Mostly virtual

Agendas, minutes, and video recordings for meetings can be found at the ACP website:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/COUNCIL/PoliceAC/index.html>



WORK- COMMITTEES

COMMITTEES

- Compliance – Lead: Eva Quittman
- Data – Lead: Sony George
- Schools – Lead: Terry Walsh



WORK– WORK PRODUCTS

- Recommendations Regarding Pending Legislation
- Recommendations Regarding MCPD Policy Review
- Annual Reports

ACP Website:

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III. Listening Session

Eva Quittman

Co-Vice Chair,

Advisory Commission on Policing



III. LISTENING SESSION

EXPECTATIONS:

- Come up to the microphone
- Introduce yourself – name and affiliation (if any)
- Limit comments to one/two/three minute(s)
- Commissioners may ask questions/request clarification
- Be respectful, allow others to speak



IV. CONCLUSION

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