The IG is tasked with providing recommendations on whether the police department’s policies were violated and whether officers should be disciplined or terminated. The thought is for the IG to publicly present its findings to the City Council and the Sacramento Community Police Review Commission (SCPRC) before the City Manager makes a final determination on officer discipline or termination. To ensure transparency and accountability, the SCPRC should be tasked to take the Inspector General’s findings before they are presented to the City Council and make its own recommendations on officer discipline or termination. The SCPRC recommendations should be presented to the City Council alongside the IG’s recommendations.

SCPRC RECOMMENDATION RATIONALE

In 2016 OPSA was restructured, given additional powers, and placed “under the direction of the city council, rather than the city manager, pursuant to the foregoing provisions serves the best interests of the city, by putting the office of public safety accountability in a direct relationship with the citizens’ elected representatives (Ord. 2016-0054).”

Some of the additional powers granted to OPSA are outlined in Section 2.22.030 of the Sacramento City Code, which among other things states, “as needed, request the city council, or any duly appointed committee of the council, to issue subpoenas as provided in section 34 of the charter. The city council may, by resolution, establish the procedures for the request, issuance, and service of those subpoenas.”

Earlier this summer the City Council approved the Mayor’s plan to create an Inspector General position at OPSA with full independence and authority to investigate officer-involved shootings and use-of-force incidents that result in serious bodily injury or death. It is through the OPSA authority that the new IG will be able to subpoena a witness.

SPD RESPONSE

Sacramento City Council Meeting (Item #2) on 06/01/2021, presented by Deputy Chief Lester:

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SPD unable to implement, requires further input from other city departments and offices.

OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS

N/A

APPENDIX

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