

Advisory Committee on Police Community Relations Minutes

June 15, 2026 – 6:00P.M.
Twin Towers Building, Room 420
(456 Fulton St., Peoria, IL)

The Advisory Committee on Police Community Relations met at Twin Towers Building, Room 420, on Monday, June 15, 2026, with proper notice posted. Chair Lang called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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| 1. Gretchen Amick, At-Large | 11. Amya Mitchell, Under 25 |
| 2. Stephanie Bragg, 1 st District | 12. Noah Palm, NAACP |
| 3. Al Cuizon, Under 25/Vice-Chair | 13. Kimberly Richardson, Asst. City
Manager |
| 4. Brad Dixon, Chief of Police | 14. Marcellus Sommerville, At-Large |
| 5. Andrew Edwards, At-Large | 15. David Williams, At-Large |
| 6. Darrell Jackson, 4 th District | 16. Karen Wilson, 3 rd District |
| 7. Denise Jackson, City Council | 17. Vacant, 5 th District |
| 8. Ken Johnson, At-Large | |
| 9. Lee Lang, 2 nd District/Chair | |
| 10. Shannon Marlin, District 150 | |

ROLL CALL

Present: Amick, Cuizon, Dixon, Edwards, Lang, Richardson, Williams, and Wilson.

Excused: Bragg, Jackson (Denise).

Absent: Jackson (Darrell), Johnson, Marlin, Mitchell, Palm, and Sommerville.

City Staff Present: Kirby, Sylvester, Tarr, and White.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice-Chair Cuizon motioned to approve May 18, 2026, minutes. Seconded by Chief Dixon. Motion carried.

MEETING

Chair Lang opened the floor for nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair. Lee Lang was nominated for Chair. Kimberly Richardson, Al Cuizon, and David Williams were nominated for Vice-Chair. ACM Richardson asked for clarification regarding whether the nominees would be voted on during this meeting. It was decided that nominees would be voted on in the July meeting. The floor was opened to each candidate to discuss why they would like to be considered. ACM Richardson discussed that she is here also a Peoria resident and would like to lead the committee along with the Chair to sustainable actions. Member Williams discussed how he would like to focus on police-community relationships. Vice-Chair Cuizon discussed his background in leadership roles and bringing continuity to the committee. Chair Lang discussed the importance of learning about the department through guest speakers. She also recapped a meeting where the Department of Justice presented an idea where members could have a calming influence after an incident by holding forums. ACM Richardson discussed having a foundation to then be a bridge between the

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police and the community. She discussed the importance of training for this foundation and gave an example of attending a use of force training. She and Chair Lang stressed the importance of attendance. The citizen's police academy was also discussed. Chief Dixon asked what topics members would like to learn about and offered to do an abbreviated version of the academy for the committee. He suggested having a sub-committee flesh out this idea. It was clarified that the academy trainings would fall under OMA. Member Amick discussed how insightful doing a ride-along was. Chair Lang directed any member interested in doing one to contact Christina. Chair Lang circled back to the suggestion of forums after an incident. Chief Dixon discussed how critical incidents are investigated by Illinois State Police (ISP) and how they do not discuss any incidents while they are under investigation. ACM Richardson discussed being proactive versus reactive and suggested making the transparency dashboard more user friendly. She also recapped the Juneteenth celebration and how members were able to engage with a lot of people. Members Amick, Cuizon, and Edwards also concurred.

GENERAL POLICE UPDATES

Lt. Sylvester briefly went over the complaint statistics which included 62 total complaints for 2026 (17 internal and 45 external).

Chief Dixon updated Chair Lang on HB 5521 who inquired that it did not pass and was sent back to committee. He also briefly updated on the department's YTD statistics which included 5 homicides which are the same as 2025.

PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS UPDATE – N/A

PEORIA FRIENDSHIP HOUSE – N/A

CITIZEN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE – none

ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 7:33 P.M.