

**CITY OF DENTON  
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON USE-OF-FORCE  
MINUTES**

**Date/Time:** Thursday, July 30, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** City Hall – City Council Work Session Room  
215 E. McKinney St, Denton, TX 76201

After determining that a quorum was present, the City of Denton Ad Hoc Committee on Use-of-Force convened in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, July 30, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

**PRESENT:** Cedric Chambers, Dawna-Diamond Tyson, Gary Henderson, Jamell Butler, John Baines, Kamyon Conner, Katina Stone Butler, Jaime Walker Blanton, Rhonda Love, Angela Ricks, Sheryl English, Willie Hudspeth, Yancy Green, and Travis Nicholas; **Ex-Officio Members:** Frank Dixon, Dr. Richard Williams, Todd Hileman, Michael Cronig, and Jesse Davis.

**ABSENT:** Beau Hughes, Cameron Combs, Chay’vion Moore, Dionte Long, Lilyan Prado-Carrillo, and Pamela Gutierrez.

Also present were Sergeant Elisa Howell, Public Information Officer Allison Beckwith, and Chief of Staff Sarah Kuechler.

**Note:** All committee members and attendees participated in the meeting via video/teleconference under the provisions allowed by the Texas Government Code Section 551.127.

**1. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- A. UOF20-015 Consider approval of Use-of-Force Ad-Hoc Committee meeting minutes for July 16, 2020 and July 23, 2020.*

Chair English introduced an amendment to the July 23, 2020 minutes to correct that Committee member Cameron Combs was present at the July 23 meeting. Jaime Walker Blanton moved to approve the minutes from July 16, 2020 and approve the minutes from July 23, 2020 as amended. Cedric Chambers seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

- C. UOF20-017 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding the Denton Police Department's policies, procedures, training, and reports relevant to the Ad Hoc Committee's work.*

Chair English moved up *Item C UOF20-017* to be called as the second item on the meeting agenda. Chief Dixon reviewed the following policies with the Committee: 401 Biased Based Policing, 310 Canines, 302 Handcuffing and Restraints, 303 Control Devices, and 304 Electronic Control Weapons.

- B. UOF20-016 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding public comment received at first public input session on July 23, 2020 and public comment received through online form, and provide an opportunity for Committee Members to share their stories, experiences, or explanation for why*

*they joined the ad hoc Committee.*

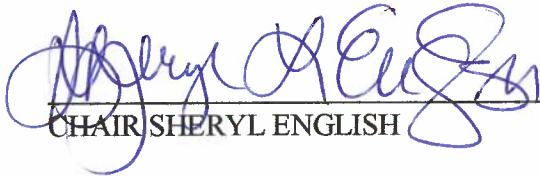
Chair English called *Item B UOF20-016* as the third item on the meeting agenda. Many Committee members discussed their reasoning behind accepting their appointment to the Committee and some shared particular goals and interests as members.

*D. UOF20-018 Review and discuss committee requests for information and agenda items for next meeting and future meetings.*

Committee requests and upcoming agenda items were discussed. Chief of Staff Sarah Kuechler reminded the Committee they had four (4) meetings remaining.

Committee members discussed how to develop recommendations prior to the Committee's deadline to have a report to City Council by Sept 15, 2020. The Committee expressed interest in breaking the report down into topic areas to review and compile recommendations and possibly separating into subcommittees to review each topic area more thoroughly.

Chair English adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

  
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CHAIR SHERYL ENGLISH

  
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