

Broadmoor Police Protection District
Minutes of the August 12, 2025 Regular Meeting

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting is called to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Aguerre leads Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Roll Call:** Commissioners Aguerre, Hall, and Hutchens are present. District Manager Connolly, Counsel Davis, and members of the public are also present.
3. **Public Comment:** (a) Officer Thompson (Badge 2210) stated that Commissioner Hall has requested records from Peace Officer Standards and Training ("POST"). He recalled that during her campaign, she had told him her "goal was to get rid of the Broadmoor Police Department" and to help him find a job with the Sheriff's Department if that happened. He said these actions demonstrated a "consistent pattern of a lack of decorum" and were "creating a hostile work environment" that lowered morale and exposed the District to liability." Commissioner Hall by explaining that any citizen can make such a request and clarified that her intent "has always been to improve transparency and efficiency in providing public safety services."
- (b) Officer Carroll expressed that PRA requests under Commissioner Hall's name were perceived as coming from "the Commissioner," which made officers feel "under the microscope by the people they are supposed to be working with." He also criticized her for posting information about an officer's disciplinary history, which is actually posted on the POST website, calling it "abhorrent." Carroll urged her to "come ride with us" to see the work officers perform. Commissioner Hall responded that she had never published any records that were not published and she had made the request using her personal e-mail and mailing addresses in an effort "to get a holistic picture of the District." Officer Carroll proceeded to accuse Commissioner Hall's Public Records Act request of being "the obvious telltale signs of a bully" and that she "do[es] not like cops." Commissioner Hall took exception to this remark because her father is a Vietnam veteran who served in the military police and who worked on the San Francisco Sheriff's Department among other law enforcement agencies. She demands that Officer Carroll cease disrespecting her father and her relationship with him, especially when her father is attendance. Commissioner Hall leaves the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Commissioner Hall returns at 7:23 p.m.
- (c) Christine Taliva'a-Aguerre, Broadmoor resident and Chair Aguerre's wife, described Chair Aguerre's campaign meet-and-greet, a political event, which Chief Connolly had directed uniformed officers to attend. She complains that Commissioner Hall photographed the uniformed officers on duty attending a political event to support her husband.
- (c) Francis Hall, Broadmoor resident and Commissioner Hall's father complains that the Commission meetings have become forum for personal disputes, not governance. He states "All I have heard tonight are complaints about my daughter. If we are calling for

civility, then officers must meet that standard as well.” Chair Aguerre responds that “Negative comments go along with positive comments—it’s part of public discourse. What matters is focusing on consensus and the good of the community. Let’s conduct ourselves with courtesy.” Commissioner Hall added that transparency through access to records is central to effective public participation.

4. **Chief of Police Report:** Chief Connolly reported that call volume had been relatively slow during the summer months. He attended a LAFCO meeting where additional data was requested. He also noted that several officers attended the California Reserve Police Officers Conference in Lake Tahoe, presenting on topics such as artificial intelligence in policing and cryptocurrency fraud investigations. Commissioner Hall asked whether LAFCO had criticized the District and its lack of governance, which seems mostly driven by petty interpersonal squabbles, rather than a concern for serving taxpayers and residents. Chief Connolly responded that comments were made, but he would need to review his notes before reporting in detail.
5. **March 11, April 8, April 30, May 13, June 10, and July 8, 2025 Minutes:** The Commission considered approval of the preceding months’ minutes. Commissioner Hall, as Secretary, objected to edits proposed by other commissioners as having no logic, principled basis. She explains that her minutes are especially fulsome because “[t]hese minutes are the only way the public can know what happens here. If we reduce them to a few lines, residents lose the only record they have.” She added: “It feels disrespectful when changes are made to my work as Secretary. I want to provide full and complete information to this community.” Chair Aguerre emphasized consistency and efficiency. After extended discussion, a motion was made to table approval of the March 11, April 8, April 30, May 13, and June 10, 2025 pending further revision. Commissioner Aguerre moves to approve the July 8, 2025 minutes.
Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Hall: No
Commissioner Hutchins: Yes
Chair Aguerre: Yes
Motion Passed 2–1.
6. **Treasurer’s Report:** Christine Taliva’a Aguerre questioned nearly \$7,000 in legal fees, asking “Why are we paying for outside counsel when we already have a legal representative?” Chief Connolly explained that specialized legal assistance had been retained for Public Records Act issues and other matters. Commissioner Hall also explained that the cost of responding to PRA requests depends on the volumes of records requested and the attorney’s hourly rates and that she generally believed Best Best & Krieger’s billing for this service to be fair. added context: “Law firm billing depends on the volume of records requested and the attorneys’ hourly rates. It isn’t unusual for PRA compliance to generate substantial legal costs.”
7. **Claim of Jose Ramon Laines:** The Commission reviewed a staff report prepared by Counsel Davis regarding a Government Tort Claim filed by Mr. Jose Ramon Laines. Commissioner Hutchens and Commissioner Aguerre state that they do not believe the

District is responsible for sidewalk maintenance in the area where Mr. Laines' alleged injuries occurred. Commissioner Hall thanked Counsel Davis for preparing the report.

Francis Hall, Commissioner Hall's father, stated that he had recently paid \$9,000 to repair the sidewalk outside of his home and "[t]he sidewalks are the responsibility of either the business or the resident, plain and simple. Commissioner Hall clarifies that her vote depends entirely on the staff report submitted to the Commission, not her father's recent experience repairing the sidewalk.

Commissioner Hutchens moves to reject the Government Claim of Jose Ramon Laines. Chair Aguerre seconds.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Hall: Yes

Commissioner Hutchins: Yes

Chair Aguerre: Yes

Motion Passed 3-0.

- 8. Proposed Amendments to Commission Handbook:** Commissioner Hall reiterates her concerns that there remains, after three months, no staff report explaining the rationale for or process behind the proposed edits. Commissioner Hall further suggested that "confidential" might be more appropriate than "restricted," but warned against overbroad definitions that could limit transparency. Commissioner Aguerre moves to direct "staff to put a staff report together for this item 6b which is the discussion and adoption of the proposed amendments to the Commission policy handbook. . . ." Commissioner Hall seconds, provided that the staff report contain "background as to why these amendments were necessary, why specific amendments were necessary, . . . [and a] thorough description of the process undertaken to compile the amendments.' Commissioner Aguerre moves again to direct staff to compile a report "includ[ing] the process of the description for the amendments" and "collaboratively synthesiz[ing] how we collaborated on them, the pros and cons to the changes." Commissioner Hall seconds.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Hall: Yes

Commissioner Hutchins: Yes

Chair Aguerre: Yes

Motion Passed 3-0.

- 9. Broadcast and/or Recording of Open Session Meetings:** Commissioner Aguerre states that he thinks broadcasting meetings may benefit the community because it may foster "greater public participation." Commissioner Hall states that she agrees that "there are many good reasons that the commission should, should record and broadcast its meetings" but would still like to see a staff report describing what those broadcasts might look like and whether they would allow for remote public comment. Chief Connolly states that drafting staff reports to explain the District's decision making process imposes too great a burden on the District because the District lacks a "robust

staff to go out and do an in-depth analysis to come back to kick it around a table.” He describes staff reports as “a lot of busy work.” Commissioner Hall responds that the time necessary to draft a fulsome staff report explaining the District’s logic is the cost of providing transparency to the District’s voters. Commissioner Aguerre states that he believes a staff report would be valuable to the Commissioner to understand what broadcasts might look like and what costs they would impose upon the District. The item was continued for staff review. No vote taken.

10. Adjournment. Commissioner Hutchens moves to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hall seconds. The motion passes unanimously. The meeting is adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

11. Next Meeting. The Commission’s next regular meeting will be September 9, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at 388 88th Street.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Commissioner Andrea M. Hall, Secretary