

Article 2: Administrative Code

Division 56: Office of the Commission on Police Practices

*(“Office of the Commission on Police Practices”
added 5-19-2021 by O-21318 N.S.; effective 6-18-2021.)*

§22.5601 Office of the Commission on Police Practices

- (a) The Office of the Commission on Police Practices is a City department that acts independently of the Mayor and the Police Department. The department provides administrative staff and support for the Commission on Police Practices, which is an investigatory body of the City established by City Charter section 41.2 with the duties and powers set forth therein and by ordinance of the Council.
- (b) The Executive Director of the Commission on Police Practices serves as the administrative director of the department. The Executive Director is appointed by the Council, which also establishes the initial annual compensation for the Executive Director. Following appointment, the Executive Director serves at the direction and will of the Commission on Police Practices. The Commission on Police Practices must conduct an annual performance review of the Executive Director, and determine any increases or decreases to the Executive Director’s annual compensation after it is initially established by the Council. The Executive Director’s compensation must be consistent with the compensation schedules established by the Council in adopting the annual salary ordinance.
- (c) The Executive Director serves as the appointing authority for all personnel in the department.
- (d) The Executive Director is authorized to employ experts and consultants to assist with the work of the Commission on Police Practices.
- (e) The Commission on Police Practices must retain its own legal counsel, who is independent of the City Attorney, for legal support and advice in carrying out its duties and actions. The Commission's independent legal counsel is responsible for providing legal services related to those matters solely within the authority of the Commission. The City Attorney provides all other legal services for the City, in accordance with Charter section 40.
- (f) The department’s budget is established by the Council, must be reflected in the City’s annual budget, and must be authorized by the annual appropriations ordinance.

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