

# Task Force for the Establishment of the Civilian Review Board: Recommendations

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# Work of the Task Force

- Examine police oversight models in other jurisdictions and identify best practices
- Examine relevant state and local laws regarding police oversight
- Gain insight from local and national experts
- Held weekly public meetings
- Gather stakeholder input

# Stakeholder Input

- Community outreach
  - Survey
  - Town Halls
  - Canvassing
- Engage with non-profit and civic organizations
- Meetings with public officials, police, and criminal justice agencies

# Do we need independent oversight of the police?

- Survey Says...
  - **54%** - Yes
  - **31%** - No
  - **15%** - Neutral/Undecided/No Opinion
- Comment themes:
  - Law enforcement needs to be **accountable to the community** it has sworn to protect and serve
  - The police already have a citizen review board, **Internal Affairs**
  - If the CRB can perform their duties **without interference from state and local politicians** then it may be a good idea

# What are resident concerns about the police handling the complaint process?

- RPD has demonstrated **systemic issues** with treating citizens consistently and fairly
- The current setup **lacks transparency**
- The police department needs to be **accountable to the citizens it serves**

# What do community members want oversight to look like? (scope of powers)

- What powers should the CRB have? Survey Says...
  - **18%** - **Subpoena documents** about prior discipline history
  - **21%** - **Require access to evidence** such as body camera footage
  - **19%** - Ability to **audit data** and produce reports
  - **25%** - Review policy and make **recommendations on best practices**
  - **18%** - Make **recommendations for discipline**
- Comment themes:
  - Recommendations are not enough - **must be able to enforce**
  - The CRB should **do just that - Review**

# Other Stakeholder Input

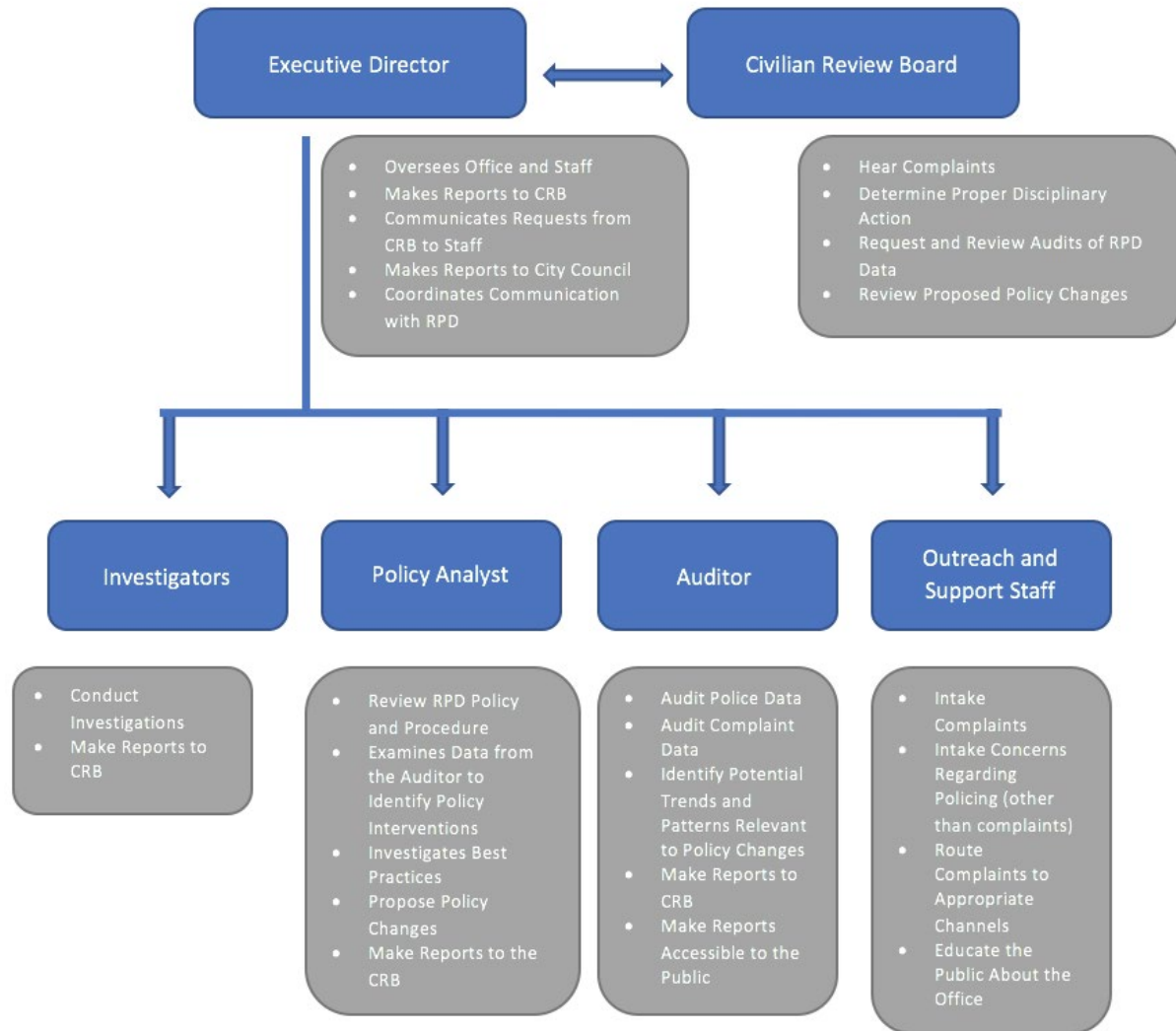
- Identified problems with the current complaints process
- Identified concerns about filing complaints
- Identified areas of improvement
- Identified ways external oversight could improve police - community relations

# Recommendations

- Independently Receive and Investigate All Complaints
  - Subpoena Power
  - Intake of Previous Complaints
- Make Binding Disciplinary Decisions
- Review RPD Policy and Make Policy Recommendations
- Auditing Police Data and Make Public Reports
- Review RPD Budget and Make Budgetary Recommendations



# Department of Community Oversight and Police Accountability: Structure and Roles



Questions and Comments?

Thank you!