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Citizen's Police Review Board (B)

This issue was brought forward during citizen comment at the May 20, 2010 City Commission Meeting and was referred to the Public Safety Committee (PSC).

The PSC deferred the discussion on this referral until a proposal was received from the citizen's group who brought the suggestion to the City Commission that the City have a Citizen's Police Review Board, not a Police Advisory Council, as the City Manager has formed with seven citizen members.

At the June 22, 2011 Public Safety Committee meeting, the proposal from the Committee for a Civilian Police Review Board was discussed and citizen comment was received. The proposal suggests a Citizen's Review Board have the ability to investigate officers and be part of their discipline. The City Attorneys Office's opinion on the proposal is that it violates the Officer's Bill of Rights and without State legislative change the Board would not be valid.

The PSC agreed that the current Police Advisory Council be given an opportunity to perform the tasks and goals set for them by the City Manager.

The City Commission: 1) approve the Public Safety Committee's recommendation to not accept the Citizen's Police Review Board's proposal to form a Citizen's Review Board; and 2) remove this referral from the PSC Referral List.