



COMMUNITY MEETING:
A Virtual Panel Discussion on Racism and Policing
Special Meeting of the Oxnard City Council
Presented Online
305 West Third Street
Wednesday, July 1, 2020, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

(This is not a formal meeting of the Oxnard City Council, however a quorum of the members is anticipated to attend the online meeting. Therefore, it is being noticed as a special meeting. As part of the program for the Community Meeting, members of the public will have an opportunity to provide public comment at this Community Meeting.)

This meeting is held pursuant to the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration, and Governor's Executive Order N-29- 20 to allow members of the City Council or staff to participate via teleconference. Pursuant to the Ventura County Public Health Official's order and Governor's Executive Order N-33-20, all city buildings are temporarily closed to the public.

The public is encouraged to view the meeting from home on the City's YouTube Channel at [YouTube.com/oxnardnews](https://www.youtube.com/oxnardnews), Spectrum channel 10, and Frontier channel 35. Video recordings are typically available online following the meeting.

Public Participation

To participate in the virtual meeting, please register online at www.bit.ly/OxnardPolicing. You will have the opportunity to submit questions and/or provide comments via the live Zoom meeting.

The public may also provide comments to the City via email at cityclerk@oxnard.org no later than 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please identify the meeting date and agenda item in the Subject line.

A G E N D A

1.	Meeting Opening ● City Manager Alex Nguyen
2.	Panelist Introductions and Perspectives on the National Crisis and impacts in Oxnard ● Police Chief Scott Whitney ● Former President of the Youth Directors Council at the Oxnard Police Activities League Mayte Alonso ● Attorney Cynthia Gonzales ● Oxnard Cultural & Community Services Director Terrel Harrison

	● NAACP Chapter President Regina K. Hatcher-Crawford ● Ventura County Public Defender Damon Jenkins ● Retired Police Commander Randy Latimer ● Community Advocate Peter Martinez
3.	Proposed Policy Changes ● Police Chief Scott Whitney
4.	Panelist Discussion
5.	Public Comments/Questions
6.	Concluding Comments from Panelists
7.	Adjournment

While there are no written materials at this time, any written materials relating to an item on this agenda that are distributed to the City Council within 72 hours before the item is to be considered will be made available for public inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 300 West Third Street 4th Floor during customary business hours. There are no agenda reports for this special meeting; however, if an agenda report is created, such report(s) will be on the City of Oxnard website at www.oxnard.org.



Police Department

Scott Whitney, Chief of Police

Training Bulletin

20-005

Date: June 11, 2020

Subject: Use of Force Policy

Objective: To modify existing policy to reflect an officer's duty to report unreasonable force and that the carotid control hold may only be used to defend against an imminent threat of death or serious bodily injury to an officer or another person.

Discussion

The Department has evaluated Policy 300, Use of Force, and is making amendments that are contemporary.

Procedure

Amend §300.2.1 (*change in italics*) and replace §300.3.4 to read as follows:

300.2.1 DUTY TO INTERCEDE Any officer present and observing another officer using force that is clearly beyond that which is objectively reasonable under the circumstances shall, when in a position to do so, intercede to prevent the use of unreasonable force. An officer who observes another employee use force that exceeds the degree of force permitted by law shall promptly report these observations to a supervisor.

300.3.4 CAROTID CONTROL HOLD The use of the carotid control hold is prohibited. An exception exists when, based on the totality of the circumstances, a trained officer reasonably believes it is necessary to defend against an imminent threat of death or serious bodily injury to the officer or another person.

- a) Only officers who have successfully completed department approved training on the use of the carotid control hold and the department Use of Force policy

are authorized to use this hold. After initial training, officers shall complete annual training on the technique and use of the carotid control hold.

- b) Application of the carotid control hold shall cease immediately upon rendering the suspect unconscious, or if the suspect ceases resisting.
- c) Any individual who has had the carotid control hold applied, regardless of whether he/ she was rendered unconscious, shall be promptly examined by paramedics or other qualified medical personnel, and should be monitored until examined by paramedics or other appropriate medical personnel.
- d) The officer shall inform any person receiving custody, or any person placed in a position of providing care, that the individual has been subjected to the carotid control hold, and whether the subject lost consciousness as a result.
- e) Any officer attempting or applying the carotid control hold shall promptly notify a supervisor of the use or attempted use of such hold. The use or attempted use of the carotid control hold shall be thoroughly documented by the officer in any related reports.

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