

LOCAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting #3



November 30, 2021

Agenda

- I. Call to Order by Chair of LCAB
- II. Welcome and Introductions
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Review of Local Control Advisory Board Interim Report
- V. Advisory Board Structure and Cadence
- VI. High-Level Review of Models of Local Control
- VII. Upcoming Meetings and Important Dates
- VIII. Questions
- IX. Adjournment



Review of Local Control Advisory Board Interim Report

Interim Report Due to Governor, General Assembly and City Council by December 1st

- Brief History and Background of Local Control Legislation
- Mission of Local Control Advisory Board
- Membership of LCAB
- Relevant Legislation and Establishing Authorities
- Review of Meetings to Date
- Next Steps

Questions/Comments/Concerns?

Request for Two Sentence Biographies of All Members no later than 12pm
12/1

Return to Conversation-Proposed Structure of the LCAB

By the end of this meeting

- Determine structure of LCAB, including possibility of subcommittees
 - Possible Structure- Subcommittees organized around specific tasks of LCAB, as outlined in SB786
 - Alternatives?
- Review cadence and set schedule of meetings of LCAB for 2022

Possible Structure of the LCAB

Specific Subcommittees to Address Various Aspects of Local Control in Baltimore City

“The Advisory Board shall study the potential issues related to the transfer of control of the Police Department of Baltimore City from the State to the City, including:

- implementation of the ongoing consent decree;*
- management of the Police Department;*
- the transfer of personnel;*
- different models of local control of the Police Department;*
- financial impacts of local control, including liability issues; and*
- the details of a potential charter amendment to assume control of the Police Department.”*

High-Level Overviews-Models of Local Control

Traditional Local Control

Board of Police Commissioners/Supervisors

Hybrid Model Customized for Baltimore

Each of these models will require further research and community engagement.

High-Level Overviews-Traditional Local Control

Traditional Local Control

Under this model, the state would transfer total control to the local jurisdiction.

Composition: Local Executive; Police Executive; Local Legislative Body

Appointment: The Police Executive is appointed by the Local Executive and confirmed by the Local Legislative Body. The Local Executive may terminate the employment of the Police Executive.

Scope of Authority: The Local Executive controls the operations, policy, and budget of the police department. The Local Legislative Body may as appropriate within the bounds of the jurisdiction's charter mandate certain policy changes for the Department.

High-Level Overviews-Board of Police Commissioners

Board of Police Commissioners/Supervisors

Under this model, the Local Executive maintains hire and fire authority of the Police Executive and policy management is transferred to an appointed (and Legislatively confirmed) Board.

Composition: Boards of Commissioners or Supervisors are usually comprised of several civilian appointees and a handful of full-time staff.

Appointment: The Board of Commissioners or Supervisors and the Police Executive are appointed by the Local Executive and confirmed by the Legislative Body. The full time staff are typically selected by the Local Executive and confirmed by the Board.

Scope of Authority: Though many jurisdictions use this model specifically to focus on internal investigations and police accountability, several also use this model to govern departmental policy. In the policy specific model, the Board is responsible for researching and establishing departmental policy while the Chief of Police manages the day-to-day operations of the department. In some jurisdictions, the Board and staff of the Board also develop the Department's budget proposal.

High-Level Overviews-Hybrid Model

Hybrid Model Customized for Baltimore

Due to the requirements of Baltimore's Consent Decree, the City may pursue a model where the Local Executive retains "veto" power over certain aspects of departmental policy as set by the Board of Commissioners in order to remain in compliance with the consent decree or other applicable federal, state, or local law.

Upcoming Meetings and Important Dates

Upcoming Meetings

Each meeting is budgeted for 2 hours and will take place virtually via WebEx. Information about meetings can be found on the City of Baltimore Boards and Commissions Website:

<https://mayor.baltimorecity.gov/bc/boards/local-control-advisory-board>

Important Dates

- December 1, 2021 - Interim report due
- August 5, 2022 - Certification of Local Ballot Questions
- December 1, 2022 - Final report due

Questions? Comments?

ADJOURNMENT