

ORDINANCE 8613

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING THE
MORATORIUM ON THE POLICE OVERSIGHT PANEL IN
THE CITY OF BOULDER; AND SETTING FORTH RELATED
DETAILS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOULDER, COLORADO, MAKES THE
FOLLOWING FINDINGS OF FACT:

- A. On June 22, 2023, City Council adopted Ordinance 8583 as an emergency ordinance to pause most official duties of the Police Oversight Panel (“Panel”);
- B. City Council made a finding that the temporary discontinuance of official duties by the Panel created a discrepancy between the services required under city ordinance to protect public safety and welfare and council recognizes the benefit of contributions from the Panel in revising police oversight ordinances;
- C. The moratorium is scheduled to end at 8:00 a.m. on October 20, 2023;
- D. The Panel has requested that the moratorium continue until Ordinance 8609 becomes effective so that there is no confusion between current ordinance requirements and the effective date of Ordinance 8609;
- E. Effective police oversight with clear duties of Panel members is necessary for public peace and safety; and
- F. Extending the moratorium will allow the Panel to assist the city manager in implementing the revised police oversight ordinance and for Panel work to resume under Ordinance 8609 once it is effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOULDER,
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Section 1. The City Council adopts the findings in this Ordinance and incorporates them herein by this reference.

Section 2. Section 2 of Ordinance 8583 is hereby replaced as follows:

1 Commencing immediately and continuing until 8 a.m. on the date that Ordinance 8609 becomes
2 effective, all official duties and authority of the Police Oversight Panel are placed on hold except
3 for pending case reviews and work to implement Ordinance 8609.

4 Section 3. The City Council finds that public health, peace and safety justify the
5 adoption of this Ordinance as an emergency measure. The nature of the emergency is described,
6 in part, by the findings of fact set forth in this Ordinance and also includes the need for police
7 oversight to function properly for community safety. Therefore, the City Council orders that this
8 Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

9 Section 4. The City Council deems it appropriate that this Ordinance be published by
10 title only and orders that copies of this ordinance be made available in the office of the city clerk
11 for public inspection and acquisition.
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14 READ ON FIRST READING, PASSED AND ADOPTED AS AN EMERGENCY
15 MEASURE BY TWO-THIRDS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT, AND ORDERED
16 PUBLISHED BY TITLE ONLY THIS 19th day of October 2023.

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Aaron Brockett,
Mayor

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City Clerk
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