

Police Review Commission

ACTION MINUTES OF THE

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

North Berkeley Senior Center 1901 Hearst Street Berkeley, California

Date: Wed., January 22, 2003 Time: 7:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL:

7:45 PM

Commissioners Present: DeBose, Ritchie, Sherman, Sanchez-Resnik, Sternberg, Weinberg, White, Yang

Commissioners Absent: Mayor Bates' Position is Vacant

PRC Staff: Barbara Attard

BPD Staff: Sgt. Delaney, Lt. Yuen

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT--None
- 3. MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 8, 2003 REGULAR MEETING

White/Sternberg (Moved/Seconded) to approve the meeting minutes. Passed unanimously with DeBose, Sanchez-Resnik, Yang, Weinberg abstaining.

- 4. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT (For Discussion or Action)
 - a) New Filings—One since last meeting
 - b) Boards of Inquiry—Upcoming boards were discussed.

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G: PRC/PRC/Min 012203

c) Late Filing Request from Wally Ghnaim, PRC Case #1945

DeBose/Sherman (Moved/Seconded) that decision on Late Filing Request for 1945 be delayed until PRC Meeting of 2/26/03. Passed Unanimously.

DeBose/Sherman (Moved/Seconded) that PRC wishes to resolve this matter at the 2/26/03 meeting and that Ms. Garcia (complainant Ghnaim's attorney) be informed of such. Passed Unanimously.

d) Late Filing Allegations PRC Case #1949 Complainant Butler

DeBose/Yang (Moved/Seconded) to approve allegations named as late-filed based on mistake. Passed unanimously.

e) Late Filing Allegations PRC Case #1950 Complainant Betterton

DeBose/Yang (Moved/Seconded) to approve allegations named as late-filed based on mistake. Passed unanimously.

f) Admin Closure PRC Case #1948 Complainant Goldman

DeBose/Sanchez-Resnik (Moved/Seconded) to approve recommendation for administrative closure. Passed unanimously.

- g) Stipend Requests due for 4th Quarter 2002—Item discussed.
- 5. BPD CHIEF'S REPORT

Acting Chief Meisner will attend the next PRC meeting to discuss the BPD Budget.

- 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS (For Discussion or Action)
- 7. OLD BUSINESS (For Discussion or Action)
 - a) *Caloca* Update

Sternberg (Moved) to renew the request to ask the City Attorney attend a PRC meeting to update the PRC in closed session regarding the status of the lawsuit. Motion withdrawn. Various issues regarding the *Caloca* hearing process were discussed. Commissioner DeBose asked staff to check with the City Attorney on a monthly basis to get an update on the status of the lawsuit.

- b) Community Policing Recommendations—Continued to next meeting.
- 8. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> (For Discussion or Action)
 - a) Training Bulletin "Service Animals—Permissible Inquiries"—No action taken on this item.

- b)Development of PRC Workplan–Continued to next meeting. Commissioner orientation planned for March.
- c) Review of Recent Critical Incidents

Commissioner Ritchie stated that the Commission wanted to recognize the good work of the BPD has in handling the two critical incidents on November 21, 2002 and the arrest of Mr. Parnell. Sherman/Yang (Moved/Seconded) To send letter to City Council commending the BPD for its work in apprehending Mr. Parnell, and dealing with the critical incidents on November 21, 2002, the shooting of Brinks guard Dena Daniels and the hostage situation at the Kaiser Medical Facility on 2nd Street. Passed with Sternberg abstaining and DeBose opposing.

d)City of Berkeley Budget Process-PRC Budget

Barbara Attard discussed the City's difficult budget situation. One cost- saving idea that was suggested was having PRC meetings at the PRC office. The importance of having keeping the meetings in the community was mentioned in response.

- 9. COMMUNICATIONS
 - PRC Letter to Mayor and City Council, RE: Rules Procedure
 - PRC Memo to City Attorney Requesting Report at 2/26/03 PRC Meeting
 - PRC Memo to Ann Miley and Caloca Hearing Panel RE: Procedures for Hearing
 - FACT SHEET—Berkeley City Council Rules Committee
 - Memo from City Clerk RE: April 29 Commissioner Workshop/Training

10. ADJOURNMENT

Sanchez-Resnik/DeBose (Moved/Seconded) to adjourn meeting at approximately 9:00 PM. Passed unanimously.