



Police Review Commission

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

ACTION MINUTES

**North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Street
Berkeley, California**

**Date: Wed., December 1, 2004
Time: 7:30 p.m.
(Note that meeting is on the first
Wednesday of the month)**

1. ROLL CALL 7:40 P.M.

Commissioners Present: Chung, DeBose (7:55), Radisch, Ritchie, Sherman,
Sanchez-Resnik, Sternberg, White

Commissioners Absent: Sheen

PRC Staff: Barbara Attard

BPD Staff: Sgt Delaney, Capt. Miller

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Osha Neumann discussed progress that has been made regarding the policy complaint about homeless issues. Mr. Neumann, Tirien Steinbach, Captain Hambleton and Barbara Attard have been meeting and working on revisions to BPD orders and training and information bulletins. Mr. Neumann is concerned about the dangerous conditions that exist for homeless people due to the cold weather and violence against homeless people.

3. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2004 MEETING

**Sherman/White (Moved/Seconded) to approve minutes. Passed unanimously with
Ritchie, Sanchez-Resnik and Sternberg abstaining.**

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION NEW OFFICES: 1947 Center St. Third Flr., Berkeley, CA 94704

TEL: 510.981.4950 TDD: 510.981.6903 FAX: 510.981.4955

e-mail: prc@ci.berkeley.ca.us http:// www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/prc/

4. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT (For Discussion or Action)

- a) New Filings – 2 new case filed since last meeting
- b) Boards of Inquiry—upcoming boards were discussed
- c) Summary Dismissal PRC Case #2032 Filed by Dennis Pangilinan Sanchez-Resnik/Radisch (Moved/Seconded) to summarily dismiss case as recommended by staff. Passed unanimously.

Barbara Attard announced that she was leaving the City of Berkeley and the commission to work for the City of San Jose as its independent police auditor.

5. BPD CHIEF'S REPORT

Captain Miller discussed two programs put on by members of BPD –a Thanksgiving food box program that is funded through a bicycle ride to Lake Tahoe by BPD officers (this was the 20th Annual Ride), and a gift program for the December holidays.

Commissioner DeBose asked about the discovery of a decomposed body that was found in a yard in Berkeley. Captain Miller stated that there was an investigation being conducted. Commissioner DeBose asked staff to send a letter to Chief Meisner asking that BPD report the incident and the status of the case to the PRC. She also asked why the information about this death was not provided to the Daily Planet “Police Blotter.”

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS (For Discussion or Action)

Caloca ad hoc Committee—No Report

7. OLD BUSINESS (For Discussion or Action)

- a) Caloca Update—Upcoming hearings were discussed.
- b) Glennel Givens Officer Involved Shooting Case—Update
Commissioner Ritchie reported that he is in the process of completing the draft report on this case.
- c) Tyrone Hughes Death in Custody Case—Finding of Good Cause to Issue Late Notice of Allegations and Reports
Ritchie/Radisch (Moved/Seconded) to make a finding of good cause to issue late notice of allegations and reports due to late issue of BPD documents. Passed unanimously.
- d) Homeless Policy Complaint--Update
Barbara Attard reiterated Osha Neumann’s comments that much progress is being made on these issues.

8. NEW BUSINESS (For Discussion or Action)

a) Redaction of Records—Update

Barbara Attard is meeting with the City Attorney and BPD to review the draft redaction general order.

b) Policy Issue, PRC Case #2010, Complainant Candace Etter

Sanchez-Resnik/Radisch (Moved/Seconded) to accept staff recommendation not to make a policy recommendation on this case. Passed with White abstaining.

c) Review of Movie “Girl Trouble” by Lucienne Sanchez-Resnik

Commissioner Sanchez-Resnik discussed the movie “Girl Trouble” and highly recommends it for understanding issues with youth, particularly youth who become involved in the criminal justice system. “Girl Trouble” follows three teenage girls who are caught up in San Francisco's juvenile justice system. In the beginning of the film, the girls work at the Center for Young Women's Development in San Francisco, the nation's first employment, leadership, and advocacy program run entirely by and for girls who have been incarcerated. Commissioner Sanchez-Resnik suggests that it would be a good training video for BPD.

Commissioner Sanchez-Resnik announced that this would be her last PRC Meeting as she had resigned for the commission.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

Notice of Office Closure—December. 24-31—City of Berkeley cost saving measure

By consensus the commissioners agreed to have a meeting on December 15 if there is business to cover.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Sanchez-Resnik/Radisch (Moved/Seconded) to adjourn at approximately 8:45 pm. Passed unanimously.