

Police Review Commission (PRC)

**POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA**

**January 27, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

South Berkeley Senior Center  
2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley

**1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

*(Speakers are generally allotted up to three minutes, but may be allotted less time if there are many speakers. They may comment on items on the agenda or any matter within the PRC's jurisdiction at this time.)*

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of January 13, 2016

**5. ELECTION OF 2016 VICE-CHAIR (discussion and action)**

**6. CHAIR'S REPORT**

**7. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT**

Budget, staffing, training updates, and other items.

**8. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT**

Status of complaints; announcements.

**9. OLD BUSINESS (discussion and action)**

a. PRC Regulations For Handling Complaints Against Members of the Police Department: Review proposed regulation changes; status of meet-and-confer between City and BPA; possible implementation of some regulations pending that process; consider establishment of subcommittee; PRC Officer's report on BOIs held within 120 days of complaint filing.

b. Transgender General Order

Status report from Commissioner Perezvelez; possible appointments to Transgender G.O. subcommittee.

- c. Further discussion and action regarding prioritization of, and method of proceeding on, items on PRC's priority list, including which subcommittees should meet first.

**10. NEW BUSINESS (discussion and action)**

- a. Amend Standing Rules to include guidelines and process for appointing non-PRC members to PRC subcommittees.
- b. Whether to undertake a policy review of the BPD's involvement in the actions against Liberty City in December 2015, and if yes, what priority it should have, and how the commission should proceed.
- c. Amend Standing Rules to establish when public comment will be heard: at the beginning and end of the meeting; before each agenda item; or other.
- d. Inquire of the BPD what rules or guidelines are in place to determine when the sidewalk is being blocked.
- e. Audit or inventory of BPD's less-than-lethal weapons.
- f. Review commendations of BPD personnel from January through June 2015, and identify those worthy of particular recognition.

**11. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (discussion and action)**

- a. Body-Worn and Dash Cameras Subcommittee Update; schedule next meeting date
- b. Subcommittee assignments and possible reassignments
- c. Schedule subcommittee meetings, depending on outcome of discussion in Item #9.c. above.

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS, ATTACHMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

Attached.

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**14. ADJOURNMENT**

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# COMMUNICATIONS FOR PRC REGULAR MEETING January 27, 2016

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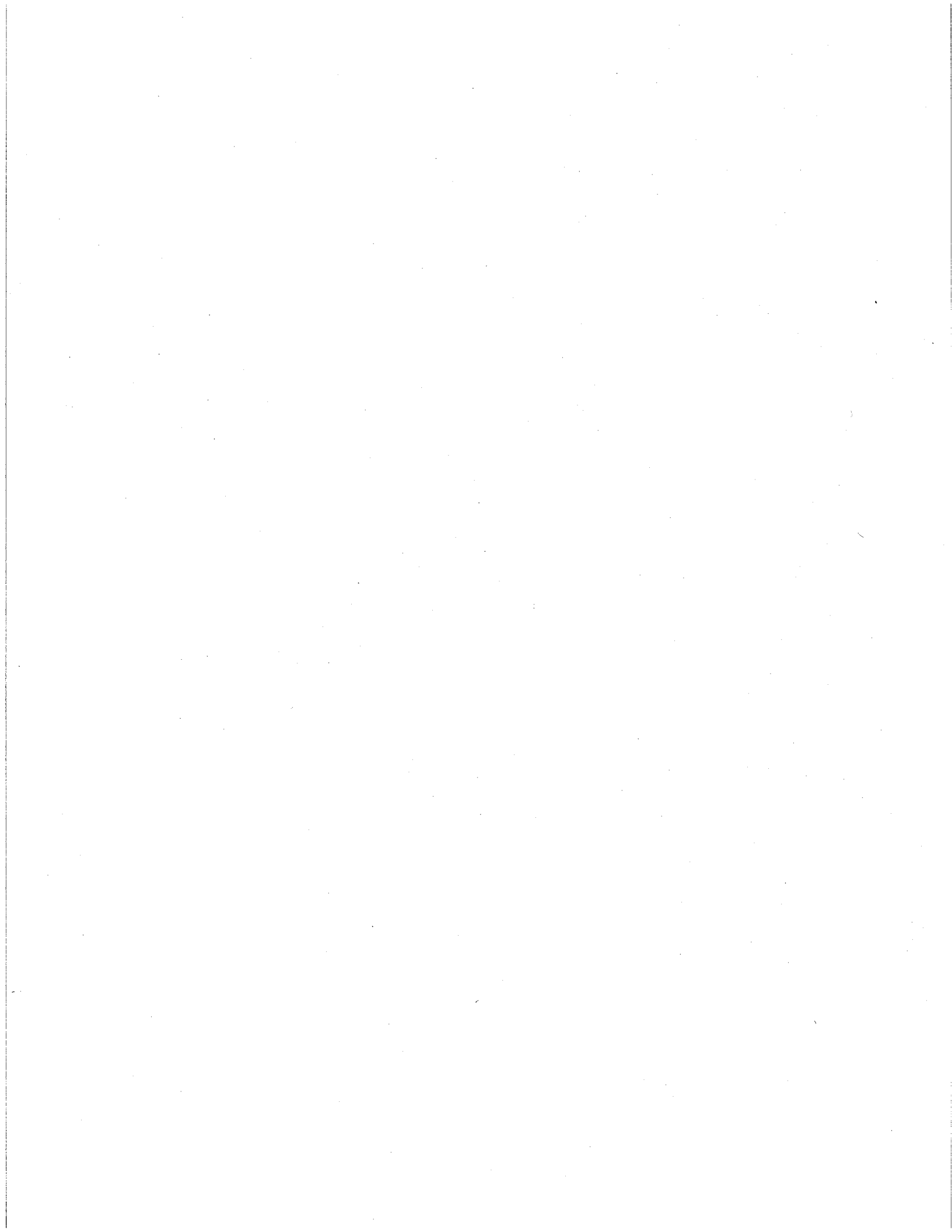
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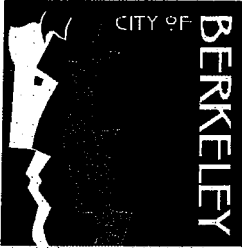
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Police Review Commission (PRC)

**POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
(unapproved)**

**January 13, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

**South Berkeley Senior Center  
2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley**

**1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL BY CHAIR BERNSTEIN AT 7:10 P.M.**

**Present:** Commissioner Alison Bernstein (Chair)  
Commissioner George Lippman  
Commissioner George Perezvelez (Vice Chair)  
Commissioner Terry Roberts  
Commissioner Michael Sherman  
Commissioner Ayelet Waldman

**Absent:** Commissioners Jerry Javier, Kad Smith, Ari Yampolsky

**PRC Staff:** Katherine J. Lee, PRC Officer

**BPD Staff:** Capt. Cynthia Harris (left 8:30 p.m.), Sgt. Benjamin Cardoza

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**The agenda was approved by consensus.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were 3 speakers. (Heard following Item #4.)

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**By general consent, with Commissioner Roberts abstaining, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 9, 2015 were approved with a correction on Item 6.b., page 3, so that the phrase reads, "asked the PRC Officer to write a letter . . ."**

**5. ELECTION OF 2016 CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR (discussion and action)**

**Motion to postpone the elections to the next meeting so all commissioners can be part of the vote.**

Moved/Seconded (Lippman/Waldman) Motion Failed

Ayes: Lippman      Noes: Bernstein, Perezvelez, Roberts, and Waldman

Abstain: Sherman      Absent: Javier, Smith, Yampolsky

**Motion to nominate George Perezvelez for Chairperson**

Moved/Seconded (Bernstein/Waldman)

**Motion to nominate George Lippman for Chairperson**

Moved/Seconded (Sherman/Perezvelez)

Aye votes for Commissioner Perezvelez: Bernstein, Perezvelez, Roberts, and Waldman

Aye votes for Commissioner Lippman: Lippman

**George Perezvelez was elected Chairperson**

**Motion to nominate George Lippman for Vice-Chairperson**

Moved/Seconded (Sherman/Waldman)

**Motion to nominate Terry Roberts for Vice-Chairperson**

Moved/Seconded (Bernstein/Perezvelez)

Aye votes for Commissioner Lippman: Lippman, Sherman

Aye votes for Commissioner Roberts: Bernstein, Perezvelez, Roberts

Abstention: Waldman

(Neither candidate received a majority of the votes of the Commissioners present.)

**By general consent, the Commission postponed the election of a Vice-Chairperson to the next meeting.**

**6. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Bernstein made end-of-term remarks, and commissioners thanked and complimented the Chair for her leadership in 2015.

**7. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT**

- The tragic accidental death of a city refuse worker on Monday is being investigated by BPD and CalOSHA.
- Reminder: MLK Day breakfast Monday at 8:00 a.m. at Hs Lordship's.
- BPD is working on year-end crime numbers.
- BPD has hired a fiscal manager whose only job is to work on the budget; currently working on the mid-year budget.
- A recruitment just closed; testing starts month. 7 officers in FTO and 4 going to academy.

Questions:

- Details about the Council agenda item for spending \$500,000 on BPD fleet vehicles? Each year, BPD funds go into the Public Works budget for replacing fleet



cars; this occurs on a regular schedule. The funds are already in the BPD's budget. Unsure of the exact number of fleet vehicles.

- When will data analysis from CPE be moving forward? Still collecting and analyzing, and won't have an update until February.
- What constitutes blocking the sidewalk? Would need to consult with city attorney.
- Beat analysis? 4 – 6 months, per Lt. Montgomery at the last meeting.
- Regarding enforcement of Penal Code 647(e) (referencing Training & Info Bulletin #220) – the low priority referenced is priority whose policy? City Council per Res. 61,042 - N.S.
- Preparing anything in budget to carry out recommendations post-incident report re Dec. 2014 protests? Yes; among the items are body-worn cameras, body armor, crowd management training.
- Interest in a cost analysis to carry out the recommendations.

## **8. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT**

- One new complaint filed since last meeting; two complaints on for closure, for which a BOI was scheduled and then canceled at complainants' request.
- The PRC's Investigative Report regarding the police response to the December 6 protests was on the Council's December 15 agenda, but was postponed to the January 26 meeting.
- In December, the PRC Officer participated in an interview panel for the newly-established position of Director of the Independent Office of Law Enforcement Review and Outreach in Sonoma County.

## **9. OLD BUSINESS (discussion and action)**

- a. Establish subcommittees for the following subjects, as identified at the prior meeting.

**By general consent, subcommittees for the following purposes were formed:**

- Investigation into BPD response on December 7 & 8, 2014
- Revision of General Orders C-64 (Crowd Control), U-2 (Use of Force), M-2 (Mutual Aid)
- Fair and Impartial Policing
- Media Credentialing Policy

The Chair made the following appointments:

- Investigation into BPD response on December 7 & 8, 2014: Bernstein, Javier, Sherman
- Revision of General Orders C-64 (Crowd Control), U-2 (Use of Force), M-2 (Mutual Aid): Bernstein, Lippman, Perezvelez, Waldman
- Fair and Impartial Policing: Javier, Lippman, Roberts, Smith
- Media Credentialing Policy: Perezvelez, Sherman, Smith

- b. Status on revised General Order on the Right to Watch.  
(Heard following Item #7)

Capt. Harris reported that the re-drafted General Order will be presented for the PRC's review at its February 27 meeting.

- c. PRC Regulations For Handling Complaints Against Members of the Police Department: Review proposed regulation changes; status of meet-and-confer between City and BPA on; possible implementation of some regulations pending that process; consider establishment of subcommittee.

**By general consent, this item was postponed to the next meeting**

- d. Request that BPD send copies of all Use-of-Force reports to the PRC within 21 days of the incident.  
(Heard following Item #9.b.)

**By consensus, the Commission voted to ask the PRC Officer to write letter to City Attorney regarding whether any legal impediments to the BPD releasing redacting use-of-force reports, or a report that synthesizes the use-of-force reports.**

- e. Request for intelligence report from Chief Meehan, as required under General Order C-1, for the prior three years.  
(Heard following Item #9.d.)

Capt. Harris said she will see if such reports exist and if so, send them to the PRC.

- f. Transgender General Order

**By general consent, this item was postponed to the next meeting, but modified to delete dissolution of the Transgender G.O. Subcommittee.**

- g. Further discussion and action regarding prioritization of, and method of proceeding on, items on PRC's priority list.

**By general consent, this item was postponed to the next meeting**

#### **10. NEW BUSINESS (discussion and action)**

- a. Whether to initiate a policy review based on the policy complaint filed by Eli Hurwitz.

**Motion that the PRC decline to initiate a policy review from a complainant who did not attend the meeting.**

Moved/Seconded (Waldman/Perezvelez) Motion Carried

Ayes: Bernstein, Lippman, Perezvelez, Roberts, Sherman, and Waldman.

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Javier, Smith, Yampolsky

#### **11. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (discussion and action)**

- a. Body-Worn and Dash Cameras Subcommittee

The subcommittee chair, Commissioner Lippman, reported on the group's work, and its concern about meeting the Council's deadline.

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS, ATTACHMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

Attached.

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were two speakers.

***Closed Session***

**14. VOTE ON RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE**

(Heard after Item #15.)

Complaint #2382

**Motion to approve above-referenced file for administrative closure.**

Moved/Seconded (Bernstein/Sherman) Motion Carried

Ayes: Bernstein, Lippman, Perezvelez, Roberts, Sherman, and Waldman.

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Javier, Smith, Yampolsky

**15. VOTE ON RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE**

(Heard after Item #16.)

Complaint #2383

**Motion to approve above-referenced file for administrative closure.**

Moved/Seconded (Sherman/Perezvelez) Motion Carried

Ayes: Bernstein, Lippman, Perezvelez, Roberts, Sherman, and Waldman.

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Javier, Smith, Yampolsky

**16. VOTE ON RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE**

Complaint #2388

**Motion to approve above-referenced file for administrative closure.**

Moved/Seconded (Perezvelez/Waldman) Motion Carried

Ayes: Bernstein, Lippman, Perezvelez, Roberts, Sherman, and Waldman.

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Javier, Smith, Yampolsky

***End of Closed Session***

**17. ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOTE RESULTS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

The votes to close Complaints #2382, #2383, and #2388, were announced.

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

By general consent, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.



**PRC Boards of Inquiry Held; Dispositions and Sustained Findings Within and After 120 days of Complaint Filing Date**

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Total number of BOI hearings held	9	9	9	6	10	9	10	7	0	4
BOI dispositions issued <b>within</b> 120 days of complaint filing	7	2	3	4	1	0	1	0	n/a	0
Number of above resulting in sustained findings	1	0	2	1	0	n/a	1	n/a	n/a	n/a
BOI dispositions issued <b>more than</b> 120 days of complaint filing	2	7	6	2	9	9	9	7	n/a	4
Number of above resulting in sustained findings	0	1	0	1	4	4	5	5	n/a	1

COMMUNICATION No.  $\frac{2371}{4372}$

1.20.2016



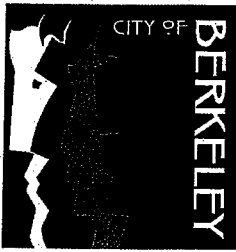
**BOARDS OF INQUIRY (BOI) SCHEDULED IN 2014 AND 2015**

Filed Date	Case	BOI Date	Findings Rpt or Dismissal Ltr	No. of Days Open	Toll Days	Net No. of Days Open	1 or more Sustained Allegation	Notes
			<b>2014</b>					
5/9/2013	2330	1/3/2014	1/23/2014	259		259		
3/27/2013	2327	2/19 & 20, 2014	3/21/2014	359	27	332	x	tolled (criminal case)
11/14/2013	2339	8/6/2014	8/15/2014	274	45	229		tolled (City Manager & BPA agreement)
10/16/2013	2338	9/5/2014	10/1/2014	350	45	305	x	tolled (City Manager & BPA agreement)
12/2/2013	2342	9/29/2014	10/2/2014	304	45	259		tolled (City Manager & BPA agreement)
5/20/2014	2353	10/10/2014	10/29/2014	162	45	117		tolled (City Manager & BPA agreement)
2/27/2014	2349	10/29/2014	11/5/2014	251	45	206		tolled (City Manager & BPA agreement)
8/14/2014	2357	11/5/2014	11/17/2014	95		95		
4/9/2014	2348	11/20/2014	12/3/2014	238		238		Late-File approved 4/9/14, 120 n/a
			<b>2015</b>					
12/10/2014	2360	3/6/2015	3/24/2015	104		104		
1/23/2015	2365	4/29/2015	5/15/2015	112		112		
1/22/2015	2364	5/4/2015	5/6/2015	104		104		no BOI; case dismissed (comp no show)
2/4/2015	2366	5/15/2015	6/3/2015	119		119		
2/23/2015	2369	6/11/2015	6/15/2015	112		112		no BOI; case dismissed (comp no show)
4/20/2015	2374	8/11/2015	8/21/2015	123	4	119		
4/20/2015	2375	8/11/2015	8/12/2015	114		114		no BOI; case dismissed (comp no show)
4/15/2015	2374	9/3/2015	9/21/2015	159	45	114		tolled(good cause); initial BOI 7/20/15
8/12/2015	2380	11/9/2015	11/16/2015	96		96	x	plus days lost to IA filing
8/10/2015	2379	11/20/2015	12/11/2015	123		123		
9/26/2014	2361	10/28 & 30, 2015	11/12/2015	412	101	311		tolled (criminal case)
8/21/2015	2381	12/2/2015	12/4/2015	105		105		BOI held; all allegations dismissed

COMMUNICATION No. 4372







COMMUNICATION No. 4331

Police Review Commission (PRC)

Date: January 21, 2016  
To: Police Review Commissioners  
From: Katherine Lee, PRC Officer *KL*  
Byron Norris, PRC Investigator *BN*  
RE: **Appointments of Members of the Public to PRC Subcommittees  
(Item #10.a. of January 27, 2016 agenda.)**

Commissioners will consider establishing a formal process for appointing members of the public to Police Review Commission subcommittees, and codifying such a process into the PRC Standing Rules. Staff has prepared this memo, which includes proposed language, to assist you in your deliberations.

## RELEVANT LAW AND CITY POLICY

### PRC ENABLING ORDINANCE (B.M.C. Chapter 3.32)

#### Section 3.32.070.F.

*The commission may appoint such subcommittees as are deemed necessary or desirable for the purposes of this ordinance, provided that, membership on such subcommittees shall not be limited to the Commission members but may include members of the public who express an interest in the business of the subcommittees. The members of such subcommittees shall serve without compensation.*

### COMMISSIONERS' MANUAL

#### Chapter II. SERVING ON A COMMISSION

##### C. Commission Organization

##### 3) Duties of Officers

*The chairperson, or in her/his absence, the vice chairperson, performs the following duties:*

...

- *Appoints commission members to temporary subcommittees and informal bodies subject to the approval of the full commission.*

...

## **PROPOSED LANGUAGE**

In consideration of the above, staff offers the following draft language for your discussion. (Sentences are numbered for purposes of discussion only.)

### **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PRC SUBCOMMITTEES**

1. In accordance with the PRC Ordinance, the chairperson may appoint members of the public to subcommittees in which they have expressed an interest, subject to approval of the commission.
2. Members of the public seeking to serve on a subcommittee must present themselves at a commission meeting before or at the time of the appointment.
3. Members of the public appointed to subcommittees shall enjoy the same voting rights and privileges on the subcommittee, as that of PRC commissioners appointed to the subcommittee, except that public members may not be selected to be the subcommittee chair.
4. Commission members must constitute a majority of the membership of any subcommittee, but a subcommittee may convene and conduct business even if commissioners are not a majority of subcommittee members present.
5. The term of appointment for members of the public appointed to subcommittees shall not exceed the life of the subcommittee.
6. If a subcommittee must be reauthorized, any members of the public serving on the subcommittee must be reappointed by the chairperson, subject to the approval of the commission.
7. A public member of a subcommittee who is absent from three consecutive subcommittee meetings is automatically removed from the subcommittee, but may be reinstated by the chairperson if good cause for the absences is shown.
8. The chairperson, subject to the approval of the commission, may remove a member of the public from a subcommittee for good cause. Examples of good cause are: failure to work cooperatively with subcommittee members; unruly or disruptive behavior at meetings; or failure to participate in the work of the subcommittee.
9. All actions by the chairperson to appoint, reappoint, or remove a member of a public to or from a subcommittee shall occur at a commission meeting, .

Lee, Katherine

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**From:** PRC (Police Review Commission)  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 14, 2016 4:32 PM  
**To:** Lee, Katherine  
**Subject:** FW: An open letter to the prc

COMMUNICATION No. 4392

**From:** Mike Lee [mailto:swapmeetkinglv@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 14, 2016 2:14 PM  
**To:** PRC (Police Review Commission) <prcmailbox@ci.berkeley.ca.us>; Safe@lists.pathawi.net  
**Cc:** Carol Denney <cdenney@igc.org>; pansophia <pansophia@gmail.com>; pattie wall <opattiewall@yahoo.com>; Sally Hindman <shindman@youthspiritartworks.org>; Boona Cheema <boonache@aol.com>; Paul Kealoha Blake <vid3699@gmail.com>; Genevieve Wilson <genevieve.t.wilson@gmail.com>; Elisa Smith <elfinwinter@hotmail.com>; Daniel McMullan <danielmcmullan@att.net>; JP Massar <massar@alum.mit.edu>  
**Subject:** An open letter to the prc

Commissioners

I want to thank you very much for the time you extended me at last night's meeting. Your professional courtesy and respect was a welcome change from speaking with an intolerant City Council.

I was especially pleased that Commissioner Lipman was able to place Liberty City on the next agenda. It is my impression that you will be examining primarily the process employed in deciding to evict this intentional community. As a by-product It's my desire you also examine the overall policy governing enforcement of California Penal Code 647(e)

In order to conduct a through investigation I suggest as a starting point an examination of the law itself.

California Penal Code 647(e) states:

Except as provided in subdivision (1), every person who commits any of the following acts is guilty of disorderly conduct, a misdemeanor:

(e) Who lodges in any building, structure, vehicle, or place, whether public or private, without the permission of the owner or person entitled to the possession or in control of it.

No where within the statute is defined two specific terms which form the foundation of the law Those terms are

- 1.) Lodging
- 2.) Public (property).

This lack of definition established a prima facie case that the law is vague in violation of the United States Constitution.

Setting that aside let us move forward and independently define these two crucial terms.

1.) Lodge

Websters (<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/lodge>) provides a detailed definition of this term. I call attention to the following:

Intransitive verb

1a : to occupy a place temporarily : sleep

b : to have a residence : dwell  
(2) : to be a lodger

No where is there provided a direct example of this term such as the use of a tent etc. In fact every single person who falls asleep in a public space is in violation of 647(e). For instance. It's been a long day and you fall asleep at the bus bench. Bang you can be cited for violation. Since the police do not take action against bus stop sleeping ,(which happens a lot) but do so against homeless people resting, enforcement of 647(e) is a violation of the United States Constitution. (equal protection).

#### Public (Property)

Blacks Law dictionary ( <http://thelawdictionary.org/public-property>) defines public property as Any property that is not owned by a private individual or a company. It belongs to the public at large and not to any one person. It covers premises and facilities that are owned by the government or a community.

It is notable that this definition does not bestow any decision making process on any single individual. By practice a representative democracy affords this process on a single person or persons. The public though does not surrender any ownership interests. In order to enforce 647(e) the City must first declare homeless people as no longer being members of the public. They would have to codify homeless people as a separate class for example aliens from ogah bogah. Since no such class exists homeless people retain their status as members of the public. Thus we award ourselves the right to occupy any public property whether it be the front lawn of city hall or a park because we own it as members of the public.

Our examination leads us to the reasonable conclusion that the law in question (as written) is vague and can not be applied to "public property"

I respectfully call attention to a third point. In the event you decide the first two points as having no merit. It is the unique characteristics of Liberty City you can not dismiss.

Liberty City began as a community response to several laws being considered by City Council. The Community concluded these laws unfairly targeted homeless people. They organized and initiated a public demonstration/assembly to petition the government for a redress of grievances. From there homeless people decided to continue the assembly. There is no question that the central purpose of Liberty City was a free speech activity protected by the First Amendment. The Government may not like a bunch of uppity homeless protesting but it does not get to decide the place,manner or times that we may do so. Exception being if the activity rises to the level of screaming fire in a crowded theater when no such threat exists. At no time did Liberty City rise to that standard.

Our inquiry leads us to three determinations

- 1.) The law in itself is vague and thus unenforceable
- 2.) The law can not be applied to public property. If activity(ie drug dealing,) is being conducted on public property which concerns elected representatives they must find another method to resolve that concern
- 3.) The law can not be applied to Constitutionally protected activity.

#### Policy

Obviously a serious effort to reform current must be made. Failure to do so leaves City Council in a tenuous position, vulnerable to litigation. If such litigation does materialize, (and most likely it will) the City will have to expend unbudgeted resources to resolve the matter.

At this time I would like to propose the following changes.

- 1.) The time frame mentioned be stricken and that it simply state enforcement of 647(e) is a low priority in absence of other issues.

2.) Enforcement of 647(e) is not applicable to any City owned property no matter what shape or form it takes. If it is owned by the City it is owned by the public.

3.) Enforcement of 647(e) is not applicable to clearly identified activities whose sole purpose is to exercise the rights defined by the first amendment.

#### Alternative Responses

In the event that reliance on 647(e) is not appropriate (either in whole or part) in an attempt to remove person or persons from a publicly owned area the following shall apply.

#### Public Health

1.) The person or persons occupying the area shall be notified in writing that a condition exists that endangers public health.

1.) This notice shall only be issued by health department

2.) Shall allow for correction by person or persons occupying the area in a reasonable time defined as no less than 72 hours

3.) Upon failure by the person or persons occupying the area to correct the issue the Public health must take reasonable steps to do so. None of these steps are to be the physical removal of person or persons from the area.

4.) If Public Health concerns persist (a second proven incident) Health Department is then free to evacuate the area after issue of a written notice of such evacuation. A reasonable time of no less than 72 hours shall be provided.

#### Violence - Anti Social Behavior

1.) Any instances of violence and or anti-social behavior shall be initially dealt with internally. BPD may only respond upon request by person or persons occupying the area.

2.) A second incident shall result in a direct response by BPD. Public Safety becomes the controlling factor trumping any other concerns

The central point of future policy is those engaged in complained about behavior be given the opportunity to correct.

Additionally it needs to be made clear that all responsibility for enforcement or non-enforcement of 647(e) starts and ends with BPD. City officials may make the initial complaint but then their involvement ends

In closing I'd like to thank you once again for all of your hard work. If there are any questions you might have, need for more information please do hesitate, to contact me immediately.

Take care I'll speak with you soon.



**Macapagal, Jessee**

COMMUNICATION No. 1106

**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 20, 2015 1:37 PM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: ANTIOCH RESIDENT SENTENCED TO 30-MONTHS IN CUSTODY FOR AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT IN TAX FRAUD SCHEME  
**Attachments:** BENSON - Superseding Indictment.pdf

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**From:** Meehan, Michael  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:47 PM  
**To:** Harris, Cynthia  
**Cc:** Greenwood, Andrew  
**Subject:** FW: ANTIOCH RESIDENT SENTENCED TO 30-MONTHS IN CUSTODY FOR AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT IN TAX FRAUD SCHEME

Cynthia. Would you please process this commendation from the US Attorney. Ofc McDougall was lead and Ofc Rafferty was support.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 12, 2015 11:41 AM  
**To:** USACAN-ALL  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** ANTIOCH RESIDENT SENTENCED TO 30-MONTHS IN CUSTODY FOR AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT IN TAX FRAUD SCHEME

**United States Attorney Melinda Haag  
Northern District of California**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
January 12, 2015  
[WWW.USDOJ.GOV/USAO/CAN](http://WWW.USDOJ.GOV/USAO/CAN)

**ANTIOCH RESIDENT SENTENCED TO 30-MONTHS IN CUSTODY FOR  
AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT IN TAX FRAUD SCHEME**

OAKLAND – [REDACTED] was sentenced to 30 months in prison on Friday, Jan. 9, 2015, for conspiring to file false claims and aggravated identity theft, United States Attorney [REDACTED] and IRS-CI Internal Revenue Service – Criminal Investigation Division Special Agent in Charge [REDACTED] announced.

[REDACTED] pleaded guilty on Oct. 3, 2014. According to her plea agreement, [REDACTED] filed false tax returns from her residence and from other locations along with her co-conspirators. [REDACTED] admitted that she filed these false tax returns using stolen identities. [REDACTED] specifically acknowledged that she stole one person's identity and used that information to file false 2009 and 2010 tax returns. [REDACTED] also misused the identity of that same person's minor child. [REDACTED] further acknowledged embezzling fraudulent tax refunds from the Internal Revenue Service and keeping the money for her own use. In addition to the prison sentence, [REDACTED] was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$98,927.

The charges against [REDACTED] were the result of an investigation initiated by the Berkeley Police Department. On April 7, 2011, during a consent search of a vehicle, the Berkeley Police Department uncovered a notebook with co-defendant [REDACTED] name on the cover. The notebook contained the identity profiles of eleven people including their names, dates of birth, bank account numbers, bank routing numbers, email addresses, and passwords. Eight of these eleven identity profiles were used to file false federal income tax returns.

[REDACTED], 36, of Antioch, was charged with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in a twenty-four count superseding indictment on Dec. 17, 2013. The defendants were all charged with wire fraud, conspiracy to file false claims, filing false claims, effecting fraudulent transactions with an access device, theft of public money, and aggravated identity theft. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] each pleaded guilty to conspiracy to file false claims. [REDACTED], 26, of Antioch is scheduled to be sentenced on Jan. 30, 2015. [REDACTED], 33, also of Antioch, is scheduled to be sentenced on Feb. 20, 2015.

The sentence was handed down by the Honorable [REDACTED], United States District Court Judge. Judge [REDACTED] also sentenced the defendant to a three year period of supervised release and restitution. The defendant will begin serving the sentence on March 6, 2015.

Assistant U.S. Attorney [REDACTED] and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney [REDACTED] and are prosecuting the case. The prosecution is the result of an investigation by the Berkeley Police Department and the IRS, Criminal Investigation Division.

**Further Information:**

Case #: CR-13-00560 JST

A copy of this press release may be found on the website of the U.S. Attorney's Office at <http://www.justice.gov/usao/can/index.html>.

Electronic court filings and further procedural and docket information are available at <https://ecf.cand.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/login.pl>.

Judges' calendars with schedules for upcoming court hearings can be viewed on the court's website at [www.cand.uscourts.gov](http://www.cand.uscourts.gov).

Press inquiries to the U.S. Attorney's Office should be directed to Lili AraúzHaase at (415) 436-6811 or by e-mail at [Lillian.ArauzHaase@usdoj.gov](mailto:Lillian.ArauzHaase@usdoj.gov).





January 20, 2015

To: Chief Michael K. Meehan, Berkeley Police Department

From: [REDACTED]

cc: [REDACTED], Special Olympics Northern California, Torch Run Sr. Development Director  
Officer Jennifer Coats, Berkeley Police Department

Subject: Letter of Appreciation - Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Northern California Executive Committee Member

On behalf of Special Olympics Northern California, I would like to recognize Officer Jennifer Coats for her continued support in raising funds for Special Olympics Athletes. Jennifer's commitment in supporting and participating in multiple Law Enforcement and Special Olympics fundraising events helps us to provide 11 year round sports programs to over 16,0000 athletes at no cost to their families.

Jennifer also volunteers to serve on the Law Enforcement Torch Run Executive Committee for Special Olympics overseeing fundraising efforts across Northern California. Her involvement with the Committee includes partnering with the LETR State Director, the Special Olympics LETR Liaison and Development staff on related activities to include Signature events, the annual Torch Run, community awareness, and brand recognition throughout Northern California.

We value all our LETR supporters and volunteers. We are especially pleased to watch Jennifer readily take on LETR fundraising challenges and also grow into greater responsibilities serving on the Executive Committee.

Thank you again!

In the Spirit of Special Olympics,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Special Olympics Northern California and Nevada**

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**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 27, 2015 9:17 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Congratulations!

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 21, 2015 11:40 AM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Congratulations!

We would like to call attention to the outstanding services of one of your officers on Dec. 31st. We were walking with our daughter downtown on Shattuck Ave. from the Toyota Dealer where we had left our car to [REDACTED] when my husband experienced a dizzy spell. In an attempt to balance himself we helped him over to lean on a parked car. After a spell we moved him to a wide window shelf on a store front to rest

The auto he had rested on was the car of Officer Todd Sabino(o). He came over and offered to call an ambulance. We assured him that we could wait with my husband until he stabilized and that a bite to eat would solve the problem. We could also call a son in Oakland who was meeting us at [REDACTED] during the next half hour. Officer Sabino provided the kindness and emotional support that eased our concerns.

Officer Todd, upon hearing that our son was shortly meeting us at [REDACTED] invited us to ride with him there. It worked perfectly. In another twenty minutes our son and his car arrived. We breakfasted together at [REDACTED] and celebrated our home of many years before we moved to Oregon. Berkeley Police again deserve the respect and gratitude of its citizens with people like Officer Todd Sabino. Thanks!

**Macapagal, Jesse**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 28, 2015 9:07 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Subject:** FW: Thanx to Dept!

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 27, 2015 7:23 AM  
**To:** Meehan, Michael  
**Subject:** Thanx to Dept!

Dear Mike: thanx for your msg re: out of town status. Happily Officer Eemlson attended, and once again fielded a variety of questions and comments affably and with deft professionalism. We thank you both! Best,  
[REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jesse**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 11, 2015 11:20 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Subject:** FW: Praise for Offc. Muniz

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:54 PM  
**To:** Meehan, Michael  
**Subject:** Praise for Offc. Muniz

who foiled a slim-jim break-in of my car. Muniz also answered my call (answering his notice of report) and got additional info. Just the latest in 40 years of services from BPD.

Service may have broken down for the guy who died awaiting EMTs., recently. I can't help wondering at what command level a mistake of that type could occur? I watched EMTs get through a big crowd outside [REDACTED] Dec. 9 to reach a downed protestor. In fact, I have a shot of that.

2/24/15

Dear Sgt. Wilson + Officer Phelps,

Thank you so much for your care-ful, kind, and thorough assistance last week when one of our clients was missing. We felt very well supported <sup>by you</sup> in handling the situation.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

Thank you - so much.

[Redacted name]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 03, 2015 9:12 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: DoubleTree/Pyramid Hotel Group Thank You!

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 27, 2015 5:23 PM  
**To:** Meehan, Michael  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** DoubleTree/Pyramid Hotel Group Thank You!

Dear Chief Meehan,

This week, the [REDACTED] hosted a UC Berkeley sponsored national conference on stopping campus assault and violence. We were advised by the media (on Monday) that a demonstration would occur on Tuesday morning – the hotel was full and we were expecting over 300 “drive in” meeting attendees.

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I contacted Captain Upson who immediately took steps to assist us – he briefed me on how we could manage the situation and advised that he would insure BPD presence on Tuesday morning. Early Tuesday, Captain Upson and Lieutenant Rateaver were on site; they had coordinated a plan with UC Berkeley Campus PD (who were present in the conference room), briefed me again on how they would insure a non-violent/respectful demonstration and how demonstrators rights were to be observed. Lieutenant Rateaver continued to patrol all hotel areas to observe potential action until he was certain the potential demonstration was not going to occur.

The professionalism, quick reaction to a potentially bad situation and knowledge of Captain Upson and Lieutenant Rateaver was outstanding. They both demonstrated their commitment to keeping our hotel safe while showing respect for potential demonstrator’s rights. I would appreciate your further extension of our appreciation for their efforts on our behalf. Your talented staff has, once again, provided us with diligent, knowledgeable and insightful assistance . . . making potentially dangerous situations safe for residents and businesses.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]  
Direct [REDACTED] | Cell [REDACTED] | Fax [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jesse**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 03, 2015 9:13 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Subject:** FW: Courteous Berkeley Police Officers

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Date:** February 26, 2015 at 21:02:45 PST  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Courteous Berkeley Police Officers

Mike,

Earlier today I got in line outside the [REDACTED] on Shattuck and maybe 10 feet away two of your officers, Casimiro Pierantoni (#96) and Ron Kassebaum, were questioning an African American. ~~They were incredibly courteous, polite and respectful.~~

After the situation ended and Officer Kassebaum had departed I approached Officer Pierantoni, and told him his behavior was quite impressive and that I knew you. He told me there had been an " \_\_\_\_\_ incident nearby on Cedar". They were looking for a person who matched the description of the man they politely talked to outside the [REDACTED]

Afterwards I had lunch with [REDACTED] also in the BBC. When [REDACTED] was a child he lived next door to Chief Volmer. We discussed what I saw outside the [REDACTED] who lives in Orinda, (I live in Lafayette) agreed the Berkeley Police Department is a model police agency.

I only hope if some officer stops me for something that the officer is as courteous, polite and respectful as these two officers.

Best,  
[REDACTED]



## Concord Police Department

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March 6, 2015

Michael Meehan  
Chief of Police  
Berkeley Police Department  
2100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way  
Berkeley, CA 94704

Dear Chief Meehan:

On March 3, Captain Erik Upson assisted the Concord Police Department by serving as an interview panelist for the selection of Police Lieutenant. At the completion of the interviews I was able to meet with Captain Upson and the other panel members to hear their appraisal of the candidates.

I was very impressed with the insight Captain Upson provided on each of the candidates. His experience, reputation and thoughtful assessment gave me confidence in his opinions on the candidates' promotability. The Concord Police Department will certainly benefit from his participation in this process.

Captain Upson should be commended for his professionalism and willingness to assist us in this important endeavor. Please extend my thanks and gratitude for his participation.

Sincerely,

Guy A. Swanger  
Chief of Police

GS:dp

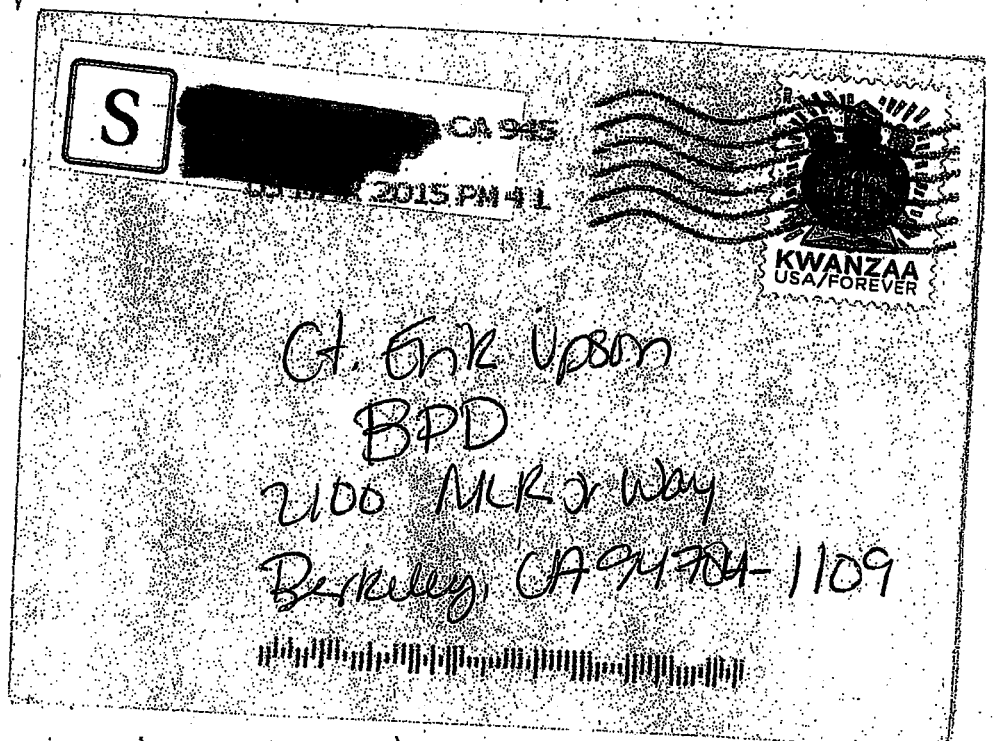
cc: Captain Erik Upson

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Dear Lpt. Upson, 315115

Thank you for participating in the "Why Were They Protesting?" Panel at [redacted]. We valued being able to hear honest perspectives from actual officers, as we know we can't move forward without everyone being involved. Thanks again! Tone Carl, [redacted]



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[REDACTED]

Michael K. Meehan  
Berkeley Chief of Police  
2100 Martin Luther King Way  
Berkeley, Ca. 94704

Dear Chief Meehan:

I want to commend one of your officers, R. Jackson, badge \*37 for a job well done! Yesterday on March 17, 20015 , I called the police, because I was unable to find my car where I thought to have parked it! Officer Jackson drove me around very patiently and not finding it, he took me home. After a couple of hours and thinking that my car had been stolen , I received a call from officer Jackson that my car had been found in good condition a couple of blocks south of where I had thought to have parked it. He picked me up from my home and drove me to the location where my car was parked . Throughout this whole "adventure", officer Jackson was patient, kind and very helpful and I want to commend him for this!

Very truly yours,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**MAR 23 2015**

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF**

**Macapagal, Jesse**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 8:58 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Subject:** FW: Officer Diaz - Report number 15-15347

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 20, 2015 2:45 PM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Subject:** Officer Diaz - Report number [REDACTED]

To whom it may concern:

I wanted to send a thank you to Officer Diaz on the great job he did on the above case. He came to my apartment to let me know of the incident and waited as I was in the shower when he arrived. He was very apologetic about the situation and helped ease any questions I had.

Berkeley has a wonderful officer on duty and I'm proud to know he's watching over our community!

Thanks Officer Diaz!

[REDACTED]

## Macapagal, Jessee

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 9:06 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: SRANW: 3/16/15 meeting minutes

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 18, 2015 7:42 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: SRANW: 3/16/15 meeting minutes

Many thanks to the three officers who attended our recent crime watch meeting. There was universal agreement among our group that you all provided important and substantive crime watch information. You are much appreciated by all of us who were present on Monday evening.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Date:** March 17, 2015 at 6:07:34 PM PDT  
**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** 3/16/15 meeting minutes

Our first meeting of 2015 took place at [REDACTED]. There were about 30 neighbors in attendance.

[REDACTED] our block captain, explained that the Santa Rosa Avenue Neighborhood Watch group was formed in 1983 with 8 homes. Now we are up to 37 homes on [REDACTED] plus 7 homes on [REDACTED]. Les explained that as a neighborhood watch group, we do not have any official bylaws but we do have a few policies:

- We are apolitical – we are really only focused on crime watch and disaster preparedness, not on political issues.
- We don't promote businesses. That being said, if someone asks for a recommendation (e.g. gardener, contractor, etc.), we can share recommendations.
- We don't give out our block contact list – please keep it private.

One neighbor suggested taking photos of our neighbors to add to the contact list.

Our guest speakers were Lieutenant Andrew Rateaver, Officer Victor Martinez, and Officer Rich Mann.

Lieutenant Rateaver is our area commander; he expressed wanting to hear our concerns and feedback. He gave an example of the importance of being good samaritans – a child was recently spotted wandering in traffic (alone) in the very early morning in the downtown Berkeley area. A citizen kept an eye on child and gave a call. By taking the time and caring enough to call, we can all help each other and help the police do a better job.

Officer Martinez passed out handouts and a business card for our area coordinator, Officer Brandon Smith who can be reached at (510) 981-5773 or [bcsmith@CityofBerkeley.info](mailto:bcsmith@CityofBerkeley.info). He talked about how, recently, the flat lands have been inundated with residential burglaries. There have been 173 cases so far in 2015 of residential burglaries, up about 100 from last year. The police force is down from 18 beat cops to 14.

If you see something suspicious, give a call to the police department. Be specific about why the person's behavior is suspicious (e.g., they are looking in car or house windows, walking up and down driveways, etc).

If there is an immediacy of a threat/emergency (e.g., someone is breaking down a door), call 911 from a land line or 510-981-5911 from a cell phone. If you are witnessing suspicious behavior but there is no crime in progress (non-emergency situation), call 510-981-5900 to report it. If possible, it is a good idea to take a photo of the suspicious person to pass on to the police.

The current crime trends indicate that houses that are commonly being victimized are 1) under construction or renovation and 2) houses that are left unlocked or don't have good security doors or windows.

To make your home less attractive to criminals, you can:

- Get a house alarm
- Get a dog (or make it look like you have a dog by leaving around a leash, dog bowl, "beware of dog" sign)
- Install good lighting systems
- Ensure your house doors and windows are locked
- Do not leave valuables in sight of a window (draw shades if you have them)
- Install a surveillance camera
- Don't leave valuables including laptops, ipads, phones, etc. out where they are visible
- Use deadbolt locks and install extra latches for easy-to-open windows

Most residential burglaries happen during business hours. Cops are trying to do surveillance on the targeted areas but criminals see cops coming because of the marked cars and uniforms. The police have been dealing with a lot of people with substance-abuse and mental-health issues.

The police advised that you should not confront a burglar. If you come home and discover that someone is in your house, leave immediately and call 911. If you are in the house when someone enters, barricade yourself in a room and call 911.

If someone you do not know knocks on your door, do not open the door. It is better to say that you are home and not interested than to pretend that you are not home. (A criminal who knocks and does not get an answer may go around the back to attempt to enter/kick in the door.) A person would require a permit to do door-to-door solicitation in Berkeley. Also, if you are concerned about someone (e.g. a PG&E employee) really being who they say they are, ask (through a closed door) to call their supervisor and confirm that they are who they say are and that they are supposed to be at your address.

One tip is to store your valuables in the kitchen cabinets; burglars don't often look there.

Note: if you have a false alarm with your alarm system, be sure to call your alarm provider right away and even call police to let them know that it is a false alarm. Having police come out to check on false alarms is a waste of police resources.

In the past, police used to come out to your home and inspect for vulnerable areas. Lieutenant Rateaver said that this (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) is not officially done by the police department anymore, but we could contact Officer Brandon Smith (our area coordinator) on an individual basis to ask him if it would be possible to set up an appointment to do this.

A neighbor asked if we could use the money from our dues to invest in a surveillance camera system for the block.

People asked about safety of BART parking lots -- the police indicated that you should park in the well-lit BART parking lots. (For the North Berkeley BART station, if you are coming back at night, they recommended not parking in the lot along Virginia/Acton/Franklin Streets.) If walking around at night, stay alert and don't walk around buried in your phone. It's always good to know what's going on around you.

A neighbor asked if you are supposed to report fake IRS calls or other scams to police. These calls are often not local and may even be coming from out of the country, so Berkeley police can't do anything about it. Here is a link to the website they recommended reporting the phone calls to: <http://nw3c.org/>

If you have not yet paid your annual dues, please put \$10 in an envelope to our block treasurer, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] If you need an updated contact list, please contact [REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 9:01 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: commendation

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 14, 2015 7:18 PM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Subject:** commendation

I just wanted to praise the two officers (Officer Waite and his partner) who took seriously and followed up on what was an unfounded call that mentioned my address and apartment number this evening. Although I was safe and nothing had occurred, they went through everything thoroughly and used the opportunity to educate me about what the process would entail if something had happened, and then called me to follow up with additional information. (The follow up call occurred midway through my writing this praise, and it was when I asked Officer Waite for his name for this purpose; he told me that he didn't need praise because he was just doing his job, which I think is all the more reason for praise.) I am happy to report such a positive experience with the Berkeley Police Department.

[REDACTED]

COMMENDATION FOR:  
OFFICER CHRIS WAITE #56  
OFFICER BEAU HUNT #133

**Macapagal, Jesse**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 9:02 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Subject:** FW: Quick response to non emergency

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 14, 2015 4:01 AM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Subject:** Quick response to non emergency

To Whom It May Concern,

I called the non-emergency line to report a loud argument at 3:35 am on [REDACTED] between an aggressive male towards a female today. The Berkeley Police responded within a few minutes and addressed the situation. I appreciate the quick response and professionalism from the officers.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

COMMENDATION FOR:

OFFICER DEVIN HOGAN #84

OFFICER GREG MICHALCZYK #9

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 9:07 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Positive statement for Officer Hunt # 133

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 01, 2015 7:50 PM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Positive statement for Officer Hunt # 133

[police@cityofberkeley.info](mailto:police@cityofberkeley.info)

March 1, 2015

Positive statement for Officer Hunt # 133

When my wife and I were away our home alarm was energized. We were concerned and had a detailed discussion with Officer Hunt # 133. He explained in detail how he had completely investigated our residence. I was impressed with his thoroughness and diligence as well as his clear explanation. I am certainly happy that officers such as officer Hunt are in the Berkeley police department.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



[REDACTED]  
Attorney at Law  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Tel. (510) [REDACTED]

March 30, 2015

Attn: Sargeant J. Friedman  
Berkeley Police Dept.  
2100 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley, CA 94704-1109

Re: Officer T.D. Kaplan, Badge #109

Dear Sargeant Friedman:

This letter is sent in commendation of Officer T.D. Kaplan of the Berkeley Police Department. I am the attorney for [REDACTED], located at [REDACTED] - [REDACTED] CA. My wife, [REDACTED], is the [REDACTED].

On several occasions in the recent past, the Church was the victim of serious vandalism, in which the security was compromised, potentially allowing trespassers and other criminals access to the premises. Of course, this caused great concern to the Pastor, and to me. Officer Kaplan was the one who responded first on both these occasions. He was extremely helpful, very polite, and offered several good suggestions. He even helped to physically secure the property, fixing much of the damage these vandals had inflicted. Officer Kaplan answered all of our questions. He was a skilled communicator. Even more important, he showed a genuine concern for not only the Pastor and myself, but for the welfare of our entire congregation. He was clearly concerned for our safety and well-being.

In a more recent incident, which was by far the most serious event, there was an actual burglary, in which numerous items were stolen and some damage was caused to the Church itself. The break-in was discovered on a Sunday (March 8, 2015) when the congregation, including many young children, were present. On this occasion, and also on a follow-up call the following Sunday, March 15, 2015, Officer Kaplan's calm and professional demeanor and professional conduct helped to reassure the congregation, and calm the children of the Church, assuring them that they were safe. Without his calming and reassuring presence, it would have been extremely difficult to function at all, under these severely trying circumstances.

I know that Officer Kaplan, in the normal course of his police duties, regularly responds to incidents and crises which may involve crimes of violence, personal injuries, and even fatalities. In light of this reality, I find it admirable and extremely gratifying that Officer Kaplan did not try

Sargeant J. Friedman  
Re: Officer T.D. Kaplan  
March 30, 2015  
Page Two

to minimize the seriousness of our situation, or say or do anything to make us feel like our problem was unimportant, or that we were somehow wasting his time.

Officer Kaplan's remarkable combination of efficiency, competency, courtesy and professionalism is really tremendous and I wanted to thank him and give him the highest possible commendation for his excellent work.

Sincerely,

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Attorney at Law

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**MAR 30 2015**

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF**

Dear Chief of Police,

My name is [REDACTED] I am one of the owners of [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] for the past 25 years.

We have loved being a part of this interesting and diverse community, we have done our share in supporting and donating to UC Berkeley, Berkeley High and numerous athletic organizations.


That being said, we have seen it all! The good, the bad and the ugly! It takes a lot to shock or surprise us. This past year has been the ugly, from garbage, animal maybe even human feces, mattresses, drug dealing, and worst of all the most terrifying aggressive dogs, not to mention the mostly male, disrespectful bullies that say inappropriate and aggressive insults to females.

I won't bore you with loads of stories, I will just mention a few. Recently a pregnant woman fell after an aggressive dog lunged at her (dogs lunging is a daily occurrence) I see people j walking to avoid passing these bullies (very dangerous) also have seen several people getting j walking tickets due to their avoidance! They know where we work and who we are; and taunt my female employees, we try to always walk in groups but not always possible.

So now on a positive note, this past weekend was so

pleasurable by having Officer Lyle Ledward. People were out and about, enjoying this place called "Telegraph". We thank you and our staff thanks you for this presence and hope it continues.

Thank you,

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**Macapagal, Jesse**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:17 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Subject:** FW: Thank you

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 01, 2015 4:16 PM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Subject:** Thank you

**From:** [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**To:** Berkeley Police Department  
**Re:** Commendation and Thanks

Li                      CREWS

Late Monday afternoon, March 30, we called 911 in fear that our [REDACTED] was choking. With in minutes two of your officers arrived, Officer # 33 and Officer # 107. They were instantly in control, supportive, kind and professional. Ultimately, there was no problem. The neighborhood has renewed confidence in your emergency response system and training of the officers.

Medic Truck #3 and Fire Engine # 5 arrived within 2 minutes of your officers. We are so appreciative of the timely help they provided and their kindness. Thank you,

[REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:20 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Telegraph Avenue - commendation

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 01, 2015 6:36 AM  
**To:** Ledward, Lyle L.  
**Subject:** Telegraph Avenue

**To Lyle Ledward, and the Chief of Police,**

My name is [REDACTED]. and I have been a craft vendor on Telegraph for 32 years. I have also coordinated the Telegraph Ave Holiday Street Fair for 12 years, and the Sundays On Telegraph event (working with the Mayor and TBID) for 2 years. Telegraph is home to me, and as such; it has been very difficult watching the street bums and panhandlers slowly run it into the ground. Ever since police attention has stepped up there, I felt it was important to let you know the change it has made to the demeanor of the street. Merchants are protected by their store facades, but vendors are right out there in close proximity to all that goes on in the street. We vendors feel so much safer since security has stepped up. Safer from the theft, the "crazies", the aggressive panhandlers, and the loud troublemakers. Since you, Lyle, have been cleaning it up...business has greatly improved! Please don't STOP what you are doing. It has been working to provide a safer place to do business for vendors and merchants alike. It is safer for students to walk in the area, and for all shoppers to feel comfortable frequenting Telegraph Ave. BRAVO!!!

[REDACTED]  
**Vendor/Coordinator/Telegraph Ave Holiday St Fair**

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:18 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Commendation for LEDWARD

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 04, 2015 9:29 AM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Subject:**

Hi there, it has come to my attention that Lyle Ledward may be taken off of the Telegraph Avenue beat. Please...for the love of Everything, don't do this. I am a business owner on Telegraph. Since there has been a constant police presence, I feel safe. The streets are cleaner, and my customers aren't afraid to bring their children. There is less stress on everyone now, as we don't have to worry about which nut job or drug addict we will be confronted by this time. I have seen many great things from Lyle. The impact he has on Telegraph is immeasurable. Thank you for listening. [REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2015 3:10 PM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Thank you Officer Lyle Ledward

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 10, 2015 2:40 AM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Thank you Officer Lyle Ledward

Hello. This is a request and a thank you note regarding the long time service of Officer Lyle Ledward.

I have been a vendor on telegraph avenue since 1967 when I operated a bread and cheese cart for the Cheese Board. For the last twenty some years I have known and respected the presence officer Ledward. He has consistently offered a friendly and helpful service to all of us on the Ave.

Now he is on a foot patrol that is a very welcome aspect to his willingness to keep us safe, and lends a great feeling of well being and security to all of us who work out here. We sincerely hope he continues to walk this area. We feel it is a real blessing to have him around. We know any situation that comes up will be swiftly handled with confidence and a smile from our good friend Lyle. Thank you so much from [REDACTED] on the ave...



**Macapagal, Jesse**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 14, 2015 3:11 PM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jesse  
**Subject:** FW: Officer Martinez

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Date:** April 8, 2015 at 15:20:26 PDT  
**To:** Michael Meehan <[mmeehan@ci.berkeley.ca.us](mailto:mmeehan@ci.berkeley.ca.us)>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Officer Martinez

Mike,

I'm really impressed with Officer Martinez.

If the city 981-5900 dispatchers were a tenth as good as he was on the phone with me a few minutes ago, it would be so sweet!!

He was great!!

[REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 15, 2015 9:29 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Detective Castle

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 10, 2015 9:51 AM  
**To:** Wilson, Brian D.  
**Subject:** Detective Castle

Hello,

I am a resident of Berkeley and my home was burglarized. Although this was a very traumatic experience with extreme feelings of loss and anxiety, I am incredibly happy for one thing- that Detective Castle was assigned to my case.

Detective Castle has been amazingly effective in guiding me through the process and helping to not only ensure that the bandit has been captured, but also ensuring that many of the stolen items were identified, retrieved and booked into police custody. He was super diligent in searching the pawn shop databases cross referencing the bandit's name with descriptors of my stolen property. Thanks to his keen eye, I know that some of my most precious family heirlooms are safe.

I was also very impressed with his ability to quickly follow-up with leads and then turn those leads into a case. Detective Castle was resourceful and creative in his critical thinking and was able to dig into the details and put two and two together to get results. I feel very thankful for all of his help and consistent follow through on my case and feel it is important to reach out to you and let you know what a great detective you have on your team.

Go Berkeley!

Most Sincerest Thanks!

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 2:04 PM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Commendation for Officer Butler

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@me.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 19, 2015 11:07 AM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Subject:** Message for Officer Butler

Dear Officer Butler,

Thank you for all your effort last night to locate [redacted] when I thought she was missing. I also appreciate very much your keeping me informed. After she called and explained the circumstances, I felt rather foolish for taking so much police department time. It was a case of two old ladies not communicating well. Thank you for your patience.

[redacted]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 21, 2015 9:27 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSE AND CARE FOR OUR STUDENT

RE: BPD:15-22420 (4/17/2015)

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 17, 2015 5:34 PM  
**To:** Belveal, Aron  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSE AND CARE FOR OUR STUDENT  
**Importance:** High

Greetings, Officer Belveal,

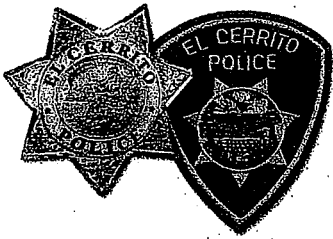
On behalf of our Administration, Faculty, and the Office of Community Life, I want to take the opportunity to say "thank you" for your response to our call for help with our student in crisis. Your manner and approach (and that of your colleague officer) was professional, direct, and compassionate as you helped discern the level of our student's potential for self-harm. Your call to the Mobile Crisis Team and their ability to respond in a timely fashion was an incredible blessing and we believe the collaborative team work assisted us all in saving a life today.

Thank you for the expression of empathy in your conversation, and again your manner was calming and helpful in alleviating tension within the situation. We are grateful that we were able to experience the optimum triage work of law enforcement, mental health providers, paramedics and campus care personnel.

If there is anyone else with whom we can share our appreciation for your work this afternoon, please do not hesitate to let us know and certainly feel free to forward this on to whomever it might matter. With deep gratitude and respect,

*Blessings & Peace -*

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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# EL CERRITO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Sylvia M. Moir, Chief of Police

April 21, 2015

Chief Michael Meehan  
Berkeley Police Department  
2100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way  
Berkeley, CA 94704

~~Chief Meehan~~

MIKE

I am writing to personally thank you for the assistance Sergeant Chu, Sergeant Melero, Officer Smith, and Officer Thomas, provided with the training that took place with the National Guard on Saturday, April 11, 2015.

They were able to create three devices and provide training to the military personnel. All four officers were very professional and their expertise was noted by many of the military police officers who went through the training. Officer Smith has prior explosive ordinance training in the military and was vital to the success of the training event. Without the help of your officers, the training event would not have had such an impact.

Please express my sincere thanks to Sergeant Chu, Sergeant Melero, Officer Smith, and Officer Thomas. If we can ever be of assistance to you and your agency in the future, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Regards,

Sylvia M. Moir  
Chief of Police

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**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 28, 2015 9:11 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Commendation for Officer Tu

-----Original Message-----

**From:** [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 24, 2015 7:41 PM  
**To:** BPD Webmail; BPD PIO  
**Subject:** Re: thank you to the Berkeley police who helped me today

I meant to say that a BERKELEY policeman came to the scene, accompanying BART police who had just arrived.

> On Apr 24, 2015, at 7:39 PM, [redacted]@gmail.com wrote:

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> Today, I was driving on MLK Ave, near University, when I was rear ended. I was driving a light blue 2013 Subaru outback. A BART policeman immediately came onto the scene, helped me move to the curb, and helped me handle the transaction with the other drive. The policeman was professional, calm, and thorough in his duty and I appreciate his assistance.

>  
> May I have his email address so I can send him a message directly? I believe he is Officer Ku, but I'm not positive of his name. The incident happened today, 4-24-15 at 1:28pm.

>  
> Thank you,

> [redacted]  
> [redacted]  
> Berkeley  
> 510-[redacted]

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 28, 2015 9:09 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Commendation for Peter Lee

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**From:** [REDACTED]@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 22, 2015 11:29 AM  
**To:** Lee, Peter; BPD Webmail  
**Subject:** I [REDACTED] Traffic Accident

To Berkeley Police Department Administration:

I am writing to commend Detective Peter Lee Badge #24 for his excellent follow up on submitting a supplemental police report regarding my traffic accident on March 15, 2013. Once I was able to reach him, he took quick action on this administrative task. I realize that traffic accidents are not his regular beat so I appreciate his efforts on my behalf.

Additionally, on site at the accident, Detective Lee was a calming influence, had the situation under control and clearly explained the police reporting process to me. His professionalism was extremely valuable in the immediate moments after the crash.

Please publish my e-mail on your web site.

Thanks again,

[REDACTED]  
415-377-1340

On Wed, Apr 22, 2015 at 11:01 AM, Lee, Peter <PLee@ci.berkeley.ca.us> wrote:

Thanks kate. I just submitted the supplemental report highlighting the mistakes I made (your middle name and the road condition) and what the corrections should be.

If you run into any problems getting the report please just give me a call or email and I will personally take care of it and get you whatever you need. Thanks kate.

Detective P.Lee #24

Officer Waggoner -

Thank you for your

help with our employee situation the other day. We were truly taken aback by the amount of caring, time, and patience you provided to our employee.

You also provided us with comfort during a difficult time.

We are enclosing a couple of little gifts from Tippett Studio as a way of expressing our gratitude.

Again, thank you.

~~██████████~~, HR Manager  
~~██████████~~, Manager



right then and there.

Enjoy the spring

weather, and thank

you again for being

so nice, after I

bonked A your car!

into

Wendy,

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

Dear Officer Waiter

I'm the person you pulled over

re. my brake lights were

burned out ... and I was

blocking someone's drive way,

so backed up - into your

car. Wanted to say

again that I'm sorry

about that! Thank you

for being kind to me,

and for alerting me

to my brake light

situation ... I like to

carry some bulbs with

me, so was able

to replace them

Sergeant Kusmiss-

Thank you for your help  
with our employee situation  
the other day. You  
provided important  
assistance for us and  
our employee, and we  
really appreciate  
your work.

We are enclosing a  
couple of little gifts  
from Tippett Studio  
as a way of expressing  
our gratitude.

Thank you.

  
HR Manager  
Merrill

# Berkeley PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Berkeley Unified School District

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May 5, 2015

Chief Meehan  
Berkeley Police Department  
2100 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley CA 94704

Dear Chief Meehan:

On behalf of the Board of Education and the Office of the Superintendent, we would like to thank you for your support at Berkeley Technical Academy. While the incident that occurred on [REDACTED], [REDACTED] could have been avoided, it is now a learning experience for all of us. The recent collaborative effort between the Police and the District is an excellent example of two entities working together to provide a safe and orderly environment for all kids to learn and be successful.

I personally want to recognize the efforts of Captain Cynthia Harris, Captain Andy Greenwood, Sgt. Patricia Dela Luna and Officer Lionel Dozier for generously donating their time to participate in Restorative Justice Circles. These restorative circles help us address the police-student conflict that stemmed from the [REDACTED] incident.

Building a trusting culture is important to all of us in our community. I thank you for committing time and resources to support our schools.

Again, we thank you for all your hard work, and your commitment to making Berkeley Technical Academy a healthier school community.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Berkeley Public Schools

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Monday, May 11, 2015 10:29 AM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Commendation

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 02, 2015 9:20 AM  
**To:** BPD Webmail  
**Subject:** FOLLOW UP FOR OFFICER PRAISE

OFFICERS INVOLVED: COATS  
KEENE  
MICHALCZYK

To whom it may concern;

On May 1st (last Friday evening), a large group of my friends and I got together and went out in the city of Berkeley. Around 9:15pm, an incident occurred involving a friend of mine and several Berkeley police officers. Fortunately, all officers on the scene were highly professional, understanding, and demonstrated what I can only call a super-human ability to diffuse a potentially awful situation in such a way that would make police officers across the country proud. And Her respective citizens, despite many holding/professing "anti-police" politics, would have had to accept and acknowledge these brave officers as professional, selfless, and indispensable, to say the least.

After the officers on scene CLEARLY established authority on a busy street corner largely populated by young barkeepers like my group, they kept the situation from escalating (which truly shocked me given the amount my friends had drank), dealt with it in a most appropriate fashion, and left the scene after seeing that the situation was extinguished properly. Furthermore, the officers also quite courteous to our group before departing.

Unfortunately, I failed to get the name/badge numbers of the officers on scene. I was the only completely sober member of our group, and for whatever reason, I feared asking for an officer's name/badge number might come off the wrong way to them and further stress an already volatile situation. So, I am unable to give credit where credit is due, but would still really like to do so.

So once again, it occurred between roughly 9:10pm and 9:30pm near Cafe Durant and I believe it had to do with an open alcohol container (22 year old male pedestrian). There were at least two male officers on bicycles who arrived after one male and one female officer in a marked police vehicle had stopped said individual. I was very impressed by these officers' handling of the situation and, though they have bigger fish to fry, I hope that this token of gratitude and praise reaches them.

Yours, very sincerely and respectfully,

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MAY 26 2015

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Berkeley Police Department  
2100 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley, CA 94704

Att: Chief Michael Meehan

Chief:

I'm writing to commend one of  
your Officers - Robin Fuentes,  
Badge 73.

On Friday, May 15 our daughter,  
[REDACTED] who lives in  
Berkeley left her wallet and  
cell phone behind while paying  
for parking in your city.

A concerned citizen turned in  
both items to your Department

and your  
matter

She did so in a quick and caring way. She called my husband and me, obtained our daughter's husband's contact information and was concerned that this might have been a more sinister situation - perhaps our daughter had been a crime victim.

Thankfully [redacted] was fine and the property was picked up by our son-in-law that afternoon.

Her follow-up and efforts to make sure Jen was OK and safe were wonderful! Wish this kind of story was more in the news.

Sincerely,  
Barbara J. Rooney

**Macapagal, Jessee**

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**From:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 27, 2015 3:03 PM  
**To:** Macapagal, Jessee  
**Subject:** FW: Commendation

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**From:** [redacted] [mailto:[redacted].com]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 22, 2015 12:54 PM  
**To:** White, Byron E.  
**Subject:** A thank you

Hi Officer White,

I know you're no longer our community coordinator, however, lacking another contact point I'm sending this to you.

Last night there was a break in down the street from me on Allston Way and it resulted in a search for suspects that I understand resulted in the capture of two persons and the return of the stolen items to the homeowners.

During the time that the officers were working in our neighborhood they handled themselves in a professional manner including their handling of bystanders, persons traveling through the neighborhood, the affected households and the suspects.

The timeliness of their response and the peaceful outcome of a potentially explosive situation was gratifying.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

**Case #15-29426**

**Officers Involved:**

<b>M. Yu #28</b>	<b>D. Kacalek #88</b>	<b>T. Syto #59</b>
<b>H. Diaz #44</b>	<b>M. Salazar #81</b>	<b>C. Shedoudy #127</b>
<b>J. De Bruin #2</b>	<b>E. Emelson #108</b>	<b>K. Kleppe #115</b>
<b>M. Turner #S-11</b>	<b>B. Phelps #153</b>	<b>J. Collier #75</b>
<b>V. Huynh #S-26</b>	<b>A. Belveal #129</b>	<b>B. Hartley #22</b>
<b>J. Smith #60</b>	<b>D. Hogan #84</b>	<b>G. Michalczyk #9</b>
<b>S. Ramey #128</b>	<b>J. Wilson #S-3</b>	<b>D. Radey #5</b>

**From:** [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 12, 2015 2:29 PM  
**To:** Frankel, Andrew J.  
**Cc:** Friedman, Jack  
**Subject:** Thanks for helping my daughter!

Andrew,

Sgt. Friedman told me you were the responding officer to the incident two hours ago in which my 12-year old daughter [redacted] was hit in the head by an egg. My wife [redacted] and I are very grateful to have you and Jack at the scene reassuring the kids that the situation was under control. I heard you were even able to give the suspects a scolding before letting them go. I would like an NCIR written, if that's the appropriate type of report, just to document the suspect's IDs. I recognize this is a juvenile matter and will not inquire further. But I am deeply appreciative that my young daughter was able to feel the security and protection police officers provide to us all every day.

Thanks again, [redacted]

[redacted]

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Commendation for P. Hammonds #157

Dear Officer May 26, 2015  
P. Hammonds - (# 157)

You may not remember me, but  
I am an elderly Berkeley resident  
that you assisted (12-29-07) -

I thought it was high time  
I sent the expression of my  
gratitude to all the officers  
who have helped me in the  
past few years, now that I  
am an elderly person living  
alone - I was very impressed  
with your kindness, patience,  
and professionalism - indeed,

we are very fortunate to have  
such professional, kind and  
compassionate police officers  
in Berkeley -

I pray for you all (and also for  
the fire fighters), every night -  
I believe in prayer -

Please show this note of thanks  
to chief Meehan - he is  
doing - obviously - a great  
job, directing you all -

Again - BE SAFE!

Thankfully, [REDACTED]

26 May 2015

Dear Officer C. Jung - I think it is time for me to write all the officers who have assisted me in the last few years - now that I am an elderly lady living alone most of the police visits were originated by neighbors worried about me as I live alone -

I remember your caring and your professionalism - and all of you in the force who lay your life on the line for the public every day -

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Be Safe!!

Gratefully -

~~James Jung~~

N.B. Please show this note to Chief Mehall -

26 May 2015

Dear Officer Johnson — this is  
to thank you from the bottom  
of my heart for helping me  
retrieve my car — I can  
assure you it meant a  
lot to me —

Your patience, your profes-  
sionalism and your kindness  
were remarkable. Indeed, we  
have a wonderful group of  
Police officers here in Berkeley.  
Gratefully, ~~████████████████████~~

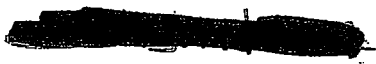
Dear Berkeley Police Officers,

There is so much criticism out there these days I thought you might like to know how much you are appreciated.

I've had several interactions with the B.P.D since I moved here in 1985 and they've all been positive.

As a group you are so skilled, well-trained and patient with us crazy Berkeleyans. Thank you for showing up every day & protecting our community.

Best wishes





ZAYTUNA COLLEGE

June 1, 2015

Police Chief Michael Meehan  
2100 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley, CA 94704

Dear Chief Meehan,

I hope this note finds you well. On behalf of Zaytuna College, I want to thank the Berkeley Police Department for its commitment to our community's security during the College's Commencement weekend (May 23/24, 2015).

I want to commend you and your department for ensuring overall safety through several measures. There was a patrol vehicle parked outside Zaytuna College on both Saturday and Sunday, augmenting the department's significantly visible presence through its patrols in the neighborhood during the weekend's key events. Also, the department designated a police officer, available for any situation at a moment's notice, specifically for the College.

In short, the Berkeley Police Department made the safety of everyone related to Zaytuna College's Commencement weekend a priority.

I also want to highlight in particular Officers Andrew Frankel and Anthony Cerletti, who stayed in contact with our security team throughout the weekend. These two officers were always in close visible proximity to the College and demonstrated a real concern for the safety and security of all of our guests, faculty, staff and students. In our estimation, Officers Frankel and Cerletti and their commanders went above and beyond what was expected and requested of them.

Thank you again for the fine work of your police department.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted signature and name]

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JUN 16 2015  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

June 9, 2015

Berkeley Police Dept  
Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley CA

I wish to thank the Berkeley Police for finding my missing Toyota Corolla within one day!

Their prompt, courteous response to my complaint - with phone followups - made me aware that they were on the job all the time. I was told right away when the car was found and where I could go to get it.

Before I go, I need a release from the Berkeley Police. And again, <sup>many</sup> thanks to the Berkeley Police.

Sincerely

[Redacted signature]



June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

**ATTN: Police Chief Michael K. Meehan**  
Berkeley Police Department  
2100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way  
Berkeley, CA 94704

Dear Chief Meehan:

On behalf of the Berkeley office of OUTFRONT Media, I wanted to send our utmost gratitude for your effective action in clearing out the population residing in the alleyway behind our business. Measures were taken quickly and successfully, and we appreciate the efforts of all agencies, especially those of Officer Christopher Scott of the Berkeley Police Department, who was particularly excellent! We truly enjoy our professional home in the city of Berkeley, and are sincerely grateful for the restored sense of security!

Sincerely,

A blacked-out signature, likely of the sender, consisting of two distinct scribbled marks.

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(510) ~~XXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~@OUTFRONTMedia.com

RECEIVED  
JUN 25 2015  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

Commendation —

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for police  
in getting my  
dentist

BERKELEY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CRIME - RESPECT - ACCOUNTABILITY  
www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/police

JUN 25 2015  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

June 25, 2015

I wonder if I can ask for the  
police officer who enabled my son to  
get into my car a few years ago  
when I had to take him to the  
doctor. I've been telling other people  
all kinds of professionals about him  
and how he was able to say just  
the right words: "Alex, would you  
do me a favor? Just get into your  
mother's van. OK? Do it for me."  
And, he got in and I was able  
to take him. I don't remember  
his name, or I never got it,  
because I got into the van so  
fast, I couldn't stop to ask. So,  
now, I need to ask a police  
officer to do that again, be-  
cause my (now 37 y.o) son  
has 3 teeth that need to be



**POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION  
SUBCOMMITTEES LIST  
Updated 1-14-16**

<b>Subcommittee</b>	<b>Commissioners</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>BPD Reps / Others</b>
<b>Transgender General Order</b> Formed 2-25-15	Bernstein Perezvelez	<i>Will rotate</i>	Sgt. Melanie Turner Ofc. Ethell Wilson
<b>Body-worn &amp; Dash Cameras</b> Formed 12-9-15	Javier Lippman Roberts Yampolsky	Lippman	Capt. Cynthia Harris Sgt. Joseph Okies
<b>December 7 &amp; 8 Investigation</b> Formed 1-13-16	Bernstein Javier Sherman		PRC Officer Kathy Lee
<b>General Orders C-64, U-2, M-2</b> Formed 1-13-16	Bernstein Lippman Perezvelez Waldman		Capt. Dave Frankel
<b>Fair &amp; Impartial Policing</b> Formed 1-13-16	Javier Lippman Roberts Smith		Capt. Cynthia Harris
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