



Police Review Commission (PRC)

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

January 22, 2014
7:00 P.M.

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL BY CHAIRPERSON SHERMAN AT 7:05 P.M.

Present: Chairperson Kiran Shenoy
Commissioner Barbara Allen
Commissioner Alison Bernstein (arrived 7:12 p.m.)
Commissioner John Cardoza
Commissioner Karen Lowhurst
Commissioner Michael Sherman
Commissioner Oliver Zerrudo

Absent: Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Shenoy

PRC Staff: Katherine J. Lee, PRC Officer

BPD Staff: Sergeant Joseph Okies, Sergeant Katherine Smith

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Perezvelez asked that the public portion of the meeting be closed in honor of Sgt. Smith, who recently became the first BART police officer to be killed in the line of duty. With that change, the agenda was approved by consensus.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no speakers.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of January 8, 2014.

Moved/Seconded (Allen/Lowhurst) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Allen, Cardoza, Lowhurst, Sherman, Zerrudo.

Noes: None

Abstain: Perezvelez

Absent: Rogers, Shenoy, Bernstein



5. NEW BUSINESS (For discussion and action)

- a. Consider inviting SEEDS Community Resolution Center to make a presentation on mediation at a Commission meeting.
Chair Sherman carried this over to the next meeting due to the absence of Commissioner Rogers, who placed this item on the agenda.
- b. Review of parliamentary procedure and public comment protocol at Commission meetings.
Chair Sherman asked that this be carried over to the next meeting.

6. CHIEF OF POLICE’S REPORT

None.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- a. Accreditation Subcommittee
Subcommittee Chair Perezvelez asked the PRC Officer to ask Capt. Harris when the next group of General Orders will be ready for Commission review.
- b. Drone Subcommittee
No new meetings were scheduled.
- c. Regulations Subcommittee
Subcommittee Chair Bernstein reported on their progress.
- d. Fair and Impartial Policing Subcommittee
Subcommittee member Bernstein reported that they have worked out language including pedestrian stops in reporting, and that Capt. Harris is getting the approval of command staff. Next meeting is Feb. 5, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

8. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT

There are eight active complaints.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS, ATTACHMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments. The public portion of the meeting was closed in memory of BART Police Sgt. Smith.

Closed Session

Commissioner Cardoza recused himself from this closed session.

Pursuant to the Court’s order in *Berkeley Police Association v. City of Berkeley, et al., Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 2002 057569*, the PRC will recess into closed session to discuss and take action on the following matter:

11. CONSIDERATION AND VOTE ON STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE – Complaint # 2337

Motion to approve above-referenced file for administrative closure.

Moved/Seconded (Sherman/Allen) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Allen, Bernstein, Lowhurst, Perezvelez, Sherman and Zerrudo.

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Rogers, Shenoy,

End of Closed Session

12. ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOTE RESULTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Chair announced that the Commission voted 6-0 to administratively close case # 2337 in item #11.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn this meeting.

Moved/Seconded (Perezvelez/Allen) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Allen, Bernstein, Cardoza, Lowhurst, Perezvelez, Sherman and Zerrudo.

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Rogers, Shenoy

Meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.