

# POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 23, 2013 7:00 P.M.

South Berkeley Senior Center 2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL BY VICE-CHAIR ROGERS AT 7:07 P.M.

Present: Vice Chair Ann Rogers

Commissioner Veena Dubal Commissioner Seth Morris Commissioner Michael Sherman Commissioner William White

Absent: Chair Shenoy and Commissioners Allen, Amaral, Perezvelez.

PRC Staff: Lucinda Simpson, PRC Officer

BPD Staff: Captain. Harris, Lieutenant Files, and Sergeant Smith.

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of January 9, 2013

Moved/Seconded (White/Sherman) **Motion Carried** Ayes: Dubal, Morris, Rogers, Sherman and White.

Noes: none Abstain: none Absent: Allen, Amaral, Perezvelez, and Shenoy.

# 5. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT

Captain Harris reported on behalf of the Chief that BPD is currently staffed with 170 sworn officers with authorized strength of 176. One Sgt. recently retired and Officer Molero was just promoted to Sgt. Three new recruits are coming out of the academy in March and two new recruits will start in the academy in April. BPD uses academies in Contra Costa and Santa Clara and has used Sacramento in the past. Two community service officers retired and BPD will be



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recruiting and testing for those positions. BPD is also searching for a crime scene supervisor. Two new experienced dispatchers recently started. BPD has 30 dispatchers and is authorized for 32. On February 5, 2013 at 5 p.m. City Council will hold a special session for the Chief's crime report.

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS

A. 12/18/12 City Council referral to review proposed resolution regarding drones -discussion/action.

Vice Chair Rogers informed the Commissioners that BPD Captain Upson and Interim Fire Chief Gil Dong would be available at the next meeting to answer any questions on the topic.

# Motion to table the matter until the next meeting.

Moved/Seconded (White/Sherman) Motion Carried

Ayes: Dubal, Morris, Rogers, Sherman and White.

Noes: none Abstain: none Absent: Allen, Amaral, Perezvelez, and Shenoy.

B. Possible creation of a subcommittee related to City Council referral in Item 6.A.

# Motion to create a subcommittee to address City Council's referral on drones.

Moved/Seconded (Morris/Sherman) Motion Carried

Ayes: Dubal, Morris, Rogers, Sherman and White.

Noes: none Abstain: none Absent: Allen, Amaral, Perezvelez, and Shenoy.

Commissioners agreed by consensus to reserve appointments to the subcommittee for the next meeting. Commissioners Dubal, Morris, and Sherman expressed interest in serving.

**C.** Discussion and action on whether to merge Outreach and 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary subcommittees. The matter was carried over to the next meeting by consensus.

## 7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Accreditation Subcommittee

The meeting scheduled for earlier in the evening was canceled due to lack of quorum. The next meeting date is to be determined.

B. PRC 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Subcommittee

The meeting scheduled for earlier in the evening was canceled due to lack of quorum. The next possible meeting date will be Feb. 13, 2013 at 6 p.m.

C. Outreach Subcommittee

The next meeting date is to be determined.

## 8. OLD BUSINESS

Possible creation of a public safety subcommittee in response to City Council referral. The Commission took no action on this item.

By consensus, commissioners requested that discussion/action about a written response from PRC to BPD about the Public Safety referral from City Council be agendized for the next meeting.

## 9. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT

PRC has 11 open complaint cases and one case is scheduled for Board of Inquiry the following week.

# 10. ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Referral from City Council to review proposed resolution regarding drones.
- b. Letter to Alameda Board of Supervisors and Alameda County Sheriff dated Dec. 20, 2012 requesting delay on the purchase of a drone pending City of Berkeley's review of the issue.
- c. Letter from Alameda County Sheriff dated Jan. 7, 2013 in response to item 10.B.
- d. Public Safety Commission Referral.
- e. Proposed Public Safety Commission Discussion Points.
- f. City Ordinance No. 4644 N.S.
- g. Semi-Annual Report of Marijuana Enforcement Activity.

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

## Motion to adjourn

Moved/Seconded (Dubal/Morris) Motion Carried

Ayes: Dubal, Morris, Rogers, Sherman and White.

Noes: none Abstain: none Absent: Allen, Amaral, Perezvelez, and Shenoy.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.