



Police Review Commission (PRC)

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
(Approved)

Wednesday, June 13, 2018
7:00 P.M.

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL BY VICE CHAIR PEREZVELEZ AT 7:04 P.M.

Present: Commissioner George Perezvelez (Vice Chair)
Commissioner Gwen Allamby
Commissioner Andrea Prichett
Commissioner Ismail Ramsey
Commissioners Terry Roberts
Commissioner Cooper Price (*temporary*)
Commissioner Tristan Harper (*temporary*)

Absent: Commissioners Kitty Calavita, Sahana Matthews (Chair), Michael Sherman, Ari Yampolsky

PRC Staff: Katherine J. Lee, PRC Officer

BPD Staff: Lt. Angela Hawk; Sgt. Ben Cardoza

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by general consent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were 6 speakers.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of May 23, 2018, except the vote on Item #10.c., which will be finalized after further research.

Moved/Seconded (Allamby/Roberts) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Allamby, Perezvelez, Prichett, Ramsey, Roberts, Price, Harper.

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: Calavita, Matthews, Sherman, Yampolsky.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

Vice-Chair Perezvelez reported:

- Last night, the City Council postponed its consideration of the PRC's recommended Charter amendment, as well as the Mayor's version, to the next meeting [correction: July 10 meeting]. The City Manager reported that notification letters have been sent to all affected unions, but no meet and confer sessions have been scheduled yet.
- Was planning to attend today's meeting of the Council's Ad Hoc Committee on Urban Shield, but it was postponed due to demonstrations.
- Councilmember Harrison has proposed changes to the Mayor's version of a Charter amendment. Has had discussions with some Councilmembers about the PRC's Charter amendment.

6. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT

- a. -- Councilmember Harrison's latest proposal has been handed out tonight.
- No new complaints filed since the last meeting. 3 of 4 complaints are on hold for various reasons; one is ready to be scheduled for a BOI. Have not been able to speak to the policy complainant. Caloca appeal hearing scheduled for July 25. Mediation case before Commission tonight in closed session.
- Spoke to resident from Chico who is party of a community group interested in establishing a civilian oversight body there.
- Following up on email sent to Commissioners: Reminder to schedule ride-along with BPD.
- Will try to find out status of implementation of Surveillance Ordinance.
- b. Prioritizing new agenda items (**discussion & action**)
Not discussed.

7. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT

- Lt. Hawk reported on behalf of Chief Greenwood, who is attending a community event tonight for BORP [Bay Area Outreach & Recreation Program].
- The Chief attended a MADD awards event today, where Ofc. Megan Jones received the century award for being 8th in Northern California with 102 DUI arrests.
 - Aiming to get body-worn cameras in the field by the 3rd week of July. Starting to get the iPhones.
 - Shooting on 2100 block of Essex. Lots of BPD involved, including patrol and SRT. Suspect is in custody; investigation ongoing.
 - Staffing: 155 sworn (down one from two weeks ago). Injuries and other leave bring actual number of working officers to 130, which doesn't include vacations. Mandatory summer overtime will be instituted just to cover shortages in patrol.
- Lt. Hawk answered questions from the Commissioners.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (discussion & action)

Report of activities and meeting scheduling for all Subcommittees, possible appointment of new members to all Subcommittees, and additional discussion and action as noted for specific Subcommittees:

- a. General Orders C-64, etc. Subcommittee – Subcommittee met on June 7. To submit questions re Commander’s Guide for Lt. Durbin for the next meeting.
- b. Homeless Encampment Subcommittee – Not active currently as lacking information and Comm. Sherman is one of the two subcommittee members.
- c. Lexipol Policies Subcommittee – Chief has expressed interest in giving a presentation to entire commission. Subcommittee hasn’t met yet due to conflicting schedules; PRC Officer will continue efforts to schedule.

9. NEW BUSINESS (discussion & action)

- a. Response to Charter amendment proposal from Mayor Arreguin and City Council’s consideration of his proposal and the PRC’s proposal at the June 12, 2018 Council meeting.

Discussion begun; to be continued at next meeting.

- b. Selection of Commissioner to attend National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (NACOLE) Conference Sept. 30 – Oct. 4 in St. Petersburg, FL.

Commissioner Allamby will attend.

10. OLD BUSINESS (discussion & action)

- a. Follow-up on report and presentation from Center for Policing Equity at May 9, 2018 Commission meeting, and Council’s April 24, 2018 recommendations on BPD data tracking, training, and policy and practice reforms to ensure fair and unbiased policing.

(Item postponed to the next meeting.)

- b. Proposed “Guiding Principles” for PRC adoption and other ideas related to addressing BPD staffing shortage.

(Item postponed to the next meeting.)

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS, ATTACHMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Attached.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were 2 speakers.

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(s):

13. PRESENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE IN COMPLAINT #2440

Motion to approve Complaint #2440 for administrative closure.

Moved/Seconded (Ramsey/Perezvelez) **Motion Failed**

Ayes: Perezvelez, Ramsey, Price.

Noes: Allamby, Prichett, Roberts, Harper.

Abstain: None Absent: Calavita, Matthews, Sherman, Yampolsky.

End of Closed Session

14. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

15. ADJOURNMENT

By general consent, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 p.m.