

Police Review Commission: October 27, 1999 Summary

1. ROLL CALL 7:45 PM

Commissioners Present: DeBose, Mar, Martynn, Sanchez-Resnik, Zellman

Commissioners Absent: Bennett, Ritchie, White, Taylor (All Excused)

PRC Staff: Barbara Attard

BPD Representative: Lt. DeLatour, Sgt. Harris

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Julian Frederick of the BARK ACLU stated that his group is interested in SB 78 followup.

3. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 13, 1999 MEETING

Sanchez-Resnik/Zellman (Moved /Seconded) Passed to approve the minutes with DeBose abstaining.

4. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT

a) New Filings-Three since last meeting

b) Boards of Inquiry—Upcoming Boards were discussed 11/1/99—1681—White/DeBose 11/9/99—1771--Sanchez-Resnik/DeBose/Zellman 11/3/99—1755—Mar/Ritchie/White 11/17/99—1745-Sanchez-Resnik/Martynn/Bennett

5. BPD CHIEF'S REPORT --None

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS (For Discussion or Action)

--Community Outreach Subcommittee--None

--Transgender Task Force Recommendations Update—Meeting 11/17/99

-- Drug Task Force --None

7. OLD BUSINESS (For Discussion or Action)

a) Governor Davis's Veto of SB 78, "Driving While Black/Brown" Bill

DeBose/Mar (Moved /Seconded) Passed unanimously to forward the letter contained in

the packet to the Berkeley City Council expressing the concerns of the PRC regarding the veto of SB 78.

Julian Frederick of the BARK ACLU stated that he believes that it is important that the Commission attempt to get press coverage around this issue.

There was discussion and a plan was formulated to look into having a public hearing regarding the veto.

DeBose/Sanchez-Resnik (Moved /Seconded) Passed unanimously to direct staff to begin preparations for a public hearing on January 12, 1999. Commissioners Martynn, DeBose and Zellman agreed to form a subcommittee to work on the planning. This item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

b) War on Weapons

Lt. DeLatour stated that it is the policy of BPD that all confiscated weapons are destroyed.

Commissioner Martynn asked that staff ask Chief Butler what the policy is for dealing with BPD officers' weapons when they are being replaced.

Barbara Attard will contact other departments, Louisville, KY, and Minneapolis about their policies on this matter.

8. NEW BUSINESS (For Discussion or Action)

a) Caloca vs County of San Diego

Barbara Attard informed the Commission that this lawsuit may affect the PRC and that the City Attorney is looking into it.

b) PRC/Internal Affairs Statistics

There was extended discussion about the comparison of statistics of the PRC and IAB. Commissioner Martynn asked that Barbara Attard provide the Commission of a synopsis of each sustained case from 1998.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Mar stated that he received information from the National Police Accountability Project. He would like more information on this program and asked staff to contact the organization and ask if they would be interested in making a presentation to the Commission.

10. COMMISSION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION

11. ADJOURNMENT

DeBose/Sanchez-Resnik (Moved /Seconded) Passed unanimously to adjourn at 8:45 PM.

