



Police Review Commission (PRC)

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
(approved)

October 14, 2015
7:00 P.M.

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL BY VICE CHAIR PEREZVELEZ AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: Commissioner Benjamin Bartlett
Commissioner Jerry Javier
Commissioner George Lippman
Commissioner George Perezvelez (Vice Chair)
Commissioner Terry Roberts
Commissioner Ann Rogers
Commissioner Michael Sherman
Commissioner Ari Yampolsky
Commissioner Paul Kealoha-Blake (*temporary*)

Absent: Commissioner Bernstein (Chair)

PRC Staff: Katherine J. Lee, PRC Officer; Beneba Thomas, PRC investigator

BPD Staff: Lt. Dan Montgomery

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda carried by general consent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were six speakers.

4. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT

Lt. Montgomery said that Capt. Greenwood, who can't be here tonight, is the appropriate person to answer questions about Urban Shield. Commissioner Javier asked about BPD's operational agreement with UCPD and what outreach to students the two departments do regarding crime, including sexual assault

5. OLD BUSINESS (discussion and action)

- a. Policy investigation regarding the events of December 6, 7, and 8, 2014, and Council directive for an investigation into the events of December 6, as both are more fully identified in the regular meeting agenda of February 25, 2015; and including review of mutual aid practices and policies.

- i) Discuss "Introduction" section of investigative report.

**By general consent, the Commission made a series of changes to the Introduction ("DRAFT 9-24-15 edited by Alison Bernstein"):
p. 2, line 22; p. 3 lines 4-6, 8-14, 18-20, and 25-27.**

Motion to adopt the Introduction section as amended

Moved/Seconded (Lippman/Yampolsky) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Bartlett, Javier, Lippman, Perezvelez, Roberts, Rogers, Sherman, and Yampolsky.

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bernstein

- ii) Discuss "Discussion" section.

**By general consent, the Commission made a series of changes to the Discussion section ("From Commissioner Bernstein 10-12-15"):
p. AB-1, lines 27-30; p. AB-2, line 22.**

**By general consent, the Commission made a series of changes to a separate draft of the Discussion section ("From staff 10-13-15"):
p. 1, lines 16-17, 24-25, and 25-27; and, a sentence was added at the end.**

- iii) Discuss any remaining aspects of report.

(There was no further discussion on the report.)

- b. Consider the Mutual Aid Subcommittee's recommendation that the PRC urge the Council to end participation in the Urban Shield exercise funded under the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) program.

By general consent, the matter was postponed to the October 21 meeting.

- c. Whether to initiate a policy review based on the policy complaint filed by Stephen Pitcher, and what steps should be taken.

By general consent, the matter was postponed to the November meeting.

6. CHAIR'S REPORT

None.

7. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT

No new complaints filed since last update.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS, ATTACHMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

On November 7, Rep. Barbara Lee and Councilmember Max Anderson are hosting a forum on institutional and structural racism.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no speakers.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting carried by general consent.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 10:10 p.m.