



Police Review Commission (PRC)

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

July 11 2012
7:00 P.M.

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL BY CHAIRPERSON PEREZVELEZ AT 7:03 P.M.

Present: Chairperson George Perezvelez
Interim Vice-Chair Kiran Shenoy
Commissioner Barbara Allen
Commissioner Marco Amaral
Commissioner Nathan Glasper
Commissioner Ann Rogers

Absent: Vice Chair Michael Sherman, Commissioner William White

PRC Staff: Acting PRC Officer Byron Norris

BPD Staff: Chief Michael Meehan, Lieutenant David Frankel, Sergeant Angela Hawk,
Business Manager Lynn Ohlson

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved without objection.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve Minutes of June 27, 2012

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

Ayes: Allen, Amaral, Glasper, Perezvelez, Rogers

Noes: None

Abstain: Shenoy

Absent: Sherman, White



5. CHIEF OF POLICE’S REPORT

Due to the City of Berkeley’s budgetary constraints, the department will continue to undergo across-the-board cost-cutting during the next two years.

Burglary-related crime statistics are lower in comparison to last year.

Lynn Ohlson updated Commissioners on the department’s sixth response and update to the City Council on the City Auditor’s 2002 recommendations on police staffing.

Chair Perezvelez reminded the department to keep the Commission apprised of departmental reports to the City Council.

At Commissioner’s Amaral request and without objection, the Armored Vehicle agenda item was not discussed, in response to the department’s withdrawal of efforts to obtain the vehicle.

6. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

The commission’s 6/27/12 vote to rescind the vote dissolving the Mutual Aid Pacts Subcommittee carried/passed, though it was announced as having failed at the time.

7. OLD BUSINESS

Motion to Dissolve Mutual Aid Pacts Subcommittee

Moved/Seconded (Shenoy/Rogers) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Amaral, Glasper, Perezvelez, Rogers, Shenoy

Noes: None

Abstain: Allen

Absent: Sherman, White

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Accreditation Subcommittee

As part of its review process, the subcommittee will forward about 20 polices at a time to the full commission for approval. To date, the subcommittee has met and voted to recommend approval of the following police department polices:

- C-16: Reports Involving Possible City Liability
- C-64: Crowd Management and Control
- H-4: Hate Crime Policy and Procedures
- H-7: Harassment Prevention Policy-City of Berkeley
- O-11: On-Duty Death/Serious Injury

Outreach Subcommittee

Subcommittee members expressed interest in the PRC having a presence at the Solano Avenue Stroll in September by securing and staffing a booth. This request will be agendized for action at the next meeting.

9. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT

Commissioners Perezvelez and Amaral were provided Spanish-translated versions of the PRC Complaint Form, Brochure, and Individual Complaint Process information sheet for their review.

Two new complaints have been filed since the last meeting.

The subject officer filed a Caloca appeal in the Mohamed complaint. Subsequent to a Caloca appeal in the Watson complaint, the PRC's decision was overturned; this decision will be agendaized for a closed session discussion during the next meeting.

Commissioners were reminded that the full commission does not meet in the month of August.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Glasper spoke about his ride-along experience with Officer Salas which he found enjoyable and informative. He opined that the general public would benefit from exposure to police officer ride-alongs.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT: Limited to items on Closed Session agenda.

One speaker.

Closed Session

12. PETITION FOR REHEARING

Complaint #2298 – Complainant Mahmoud Mohamed

Motion to Deny the Complainant's Petition for Rehearing.

Moved/Seconded (Glasper/Amaral) **Motion Carried**

Ayes: Allen, Glasper, Rogers, Shenoy

Noes: None

Abstain: Amaral, Perezvelez

Absent: Sherman, White

End of Closed Session

13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOTE RESULTS IN CLOSED SESSION

Chair Perezvelez announced the Commission's action in Agenda Item #12.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.