



Police Review Commission (PRC)

POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 12, 2012
7:00 P.M.

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street, Berkeley

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

Present: Chairperson George Perezvelez
Vice Chair Michael Sherman
Commissioner Barbara Allen
Commissioner Marco Amaral
Commissioner Seth Morris
Commissioner Kiran Shenoy
Commissioner William White

Absent: Commissioner Ann Rogers

PRC Staff: Lucinda Simpson, PRC Officer

BPD Staff: Chief Meehan, Capt. Harris, Lt. Files, Sgt. Montgomery, Sgt. Wilson.

BFD Staff: Chief Pryor

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Item 10.B. was removed as duplicative of item 9 and the agenda was approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

3 speakers.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of November 14, 2012 with correction to reflect Vice Chair Sherman called the meeting to order in item #1.

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

Ayes: Allen, Amaral, Shenoy, Sherman and White.

Noes: None

Abstain: Morris, Perezvelez

Absent: Rogers



5. INTRODUCTION OF NEW PRC COMMISSIONER

Seth Morris was introduced as a new commissioner appointed to the PRC by Councilmember Laurie Capitelli. He is employed as a Deputy Public Defender in Alameda County. Commissioner Morris will bring experience and perspective to his new position and is looking forward to contributing to the PRC.

6. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT

Capt. Harris reported that the budget remains challenging. An upcoming retirement will reduce the sworn staff level to 170. Additional retirements are expected within this fiscal year. Property crimes, particularly theft-related are increasing. Violent crime has been decreasing. Chief Meehan reported that on Feb. 5, 2013 he will present the annual crime report to the City Council.

7. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

A. Report on attendance at Fair and Impartial Policing Training Presentation.
The item was carried over without objection.

B. Election process for Chair and Vice Chair to be held at the first meeting in January.
The election will take place at the first meeting in January.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Accreditation Subcommittee

The next meeting date will be held January 9, 2013 at 6 p.m.

B. Outreach Subcommittee

The next meeting date is to be determined at the next regular PRC meeting.

C. PRC 40th Anniversary Subcommittee

The next meeting date will be held January 23, 2013 at 6 p.m.

9. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and action on Public Safety Commission referral.

The Commission consented to place on the next agenda for discussion and action the possible creation of a subcommittee concerning public safety issues in the City of Berkeley.

10. NEW BUSINESS

The 2013 meeting dates were accepted.

11. PRC OFFICER'S REPORT

A. Update status of complaints.

The item was carried over without objection.

B. PRC 2% budget cuts.

The item was carried over without objection.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

A. Public Safety Commission Referral

B. Proposed Public Safety Commission Discussion Points

C. City Ordinance No. 4644 N.S.

D. Ordinance No. 6,902 N.S.

E. Proposed Schedule for 2013 PRC Meetings

Closed Session

13. CONSIDERATION AND VOTE ON ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE

Complaint # 2307. 1 speaker.

Motion to deny above-referenced file for administrative closure.

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

Ayes: Amaral, Perezvelez, Shenoy, Sherman and White.

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Allen, Morris, Rogers

End of Closed Session

14. ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOTE RESULTS IN CLOSED SESSION

The Commissioners voted unanimously to deny administrative closure of complaint # 2307.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn

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

Ayes: Amaral, Perezvelez, Shenoy, Sherman and White.

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Allen, Morris, Rogers

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m. (Commissioner Allen departed at approx. 8:35 p.m. and Commissioner Morris departed at approx. 9:45 p.m.)