



City of Arts & Innovation

Community Police Review Commission Memorandum

TO: COMMUNITY POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2026

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: REVIEW THE RESULTS OF THE 2025 COMMUNITY POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION (CPRC) WORKPLAN, DEVELOP THE 2026 WORKPLAN

ISSUE:

Review the results of the 2025 Community Police Review Commission (CPRC) Workplan, develop the 2026 Workplan.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Community Police Review Commission:

1. Review the 2025 Workplan outcomes and
2. Develop the 2026 Workplan

BACKGROUND:

On March 19, 2025, the Safety, Wellness, and Youth Committee approved the CPRC's 2025 Workplan.

DISCUSSION:

The Community Police Review Commission (Commission) was created to promote public confidence in the professionalism and accountability of the sworn staff of the Riverside Police Department. This is achieved by independently reviewing citizen complaint investigations, recommending changes in departmental policy, engaging in on-going public outreach, and, when deemed appropriate by the Commission or Manager, conducting an independent investigation of citizen complaints.

Section 810 of the Riverside City Charter identifies the Community Police Review Commission shall have the power and duty to:

- a) Advise the Mayor and City Council on all police/community relations issues.
- b) Conduct public outreach to educate the community on the purpose of the commission.
- c) Receive, and in its discretion, review and investigate citizen complaints against officers of the Riverside Police Department filed within six months of the date of

the alleged misconduct in writing with the commission or any other City office as established by ordinance of the City Council.

- d) Review and investigate the death of any individual arising out of or in connection with actions of a police officer, regardless of whether a complaint regarding such death has been filed.
- e) Conduct a hearing on filed complaints or commission-initiated investigations when such hearing, in the discretion of the commission, will facilitate the fact finding process.
- f) Exercise the power of subpoena to require the attendance of witnesses, including persons employed by the City of Riverside, and the production of books and papers pertinent to the investigation and to administer oaths to such witnesses and to take testimony to the extent permissible by law. Subpoenas shall only be issued by the commission upon the affirmative vote of six commission members.
- g) Make findings concerning allegations contained in the filed complaint to the City Manager and Police Chief.
- h) Review and advise the Riverside Police Department in matters pertaining to police policies and practices.
- i) Prepare and submit an annual report to the Mayor and City Council on commission activities.

The 2025 Workplan objectives, goals, and results for the Community Police Review Commission include:

1. Ensure All Wards are Represented at Meetings:

The goal was to establish an 80% commissioner attendance rate at CPRC meetings to ensure all Wards are adequately represented. The CPRC successfully maintained an average attendance rate of 97% throughout 2025.

2. Review Citizen Complaints Effectively:

The objective was to achieve a 90% review rate of case files to facilitate effective discussion of citizen complaints before commission meetings. As of December 2025, the CPRC has reviewed and discussed 28 closed session cases, achieving a 100% review rate.

3. Review Officer-Involved Death Cases:

The target is a 100% review rate of case files and rationale sheets submissions for officer-involved death (OID) cases. In 2025, the CPRC closed out one case in January 2025 (F. Marquez) and began reviewing one OID (J. Tracy) case:

- The F. Marquez case achieved a 100% completion rate for rationale sheets.
- The J. Tracy case is still under review

4. Community Engagement:

The CPRC aimed to complete Ward-specific outreach efforts quarterly and City-wide outreach efforts at least twice annually. Many months show no engagement or activity, some commissioners resigned mid-year, and one meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum that community engagement may not have been reported.

5. Report Performance and Conduct Ride-Along:

The goal is to have commissioners report on their performance and ensure all commissioners completed at least one ride-along annually. In 2025, one commissioner successfully completed a ride-along.

To support the CPRC in achieving the objectives outlined by the City Council, a workplan has been developed to guide its activities. The 2026 Workplan may either remain consistent with the 2025 plan or be modified based on the Commission's preference.

Approved by: Ruby Leann Castillo, CPRC Manager

Attached: 2025 CPRC Workplan