



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

Art Pick Council Chambers

3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA

CASE REVIEW – 4:30 PM

Case Review Roll Call

Evans	Kurkoske	Ybarra	Huerta	Smith	Jackson	Ortiz	Andres	Adams
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Public Comment

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on closed session items.

Mr. Mahmoud "Mike" Al Khatib addressed the Commission regarding his complaint case.

Closed Session – Case Review

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Commission adjourned to Closed Session at 4:32 PM to discuss issues pertaining to PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL MATTERS.

	CPRC CASE NO.	RPD CASE NO.
1)	16-004	PC-16-04010

The Commission recessed at 5:30 PM to reconvene in the Regular Meeting.

REGULAR MEETING – 5:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Regular Meeting Roll Call

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'Thank You' Presentations

'Thank You' to Commissioner Mark Andres (2015 – 2017) for his service to the City of Riverside as a CPRC Commissioner.

Mr. Hauptmann thanked Commissioner Andres for his service to Riverside. Chair Adams and Vice-Chair Smith also noted their appreciation for Commissioner Andres' service.

Public Comments

Public comment on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction.

Josephine Young introduced herself and spoke about the CCAEJ Boards & Commissions Training group she was with at the meeting.

Police Chief Sergio Diaz gave a very brief summary of the February 20th incident that resulted in an officer-involved death.

Mr. Hauptmann introduced Mr. Bill Timmons, the new Commissioner for Ward 6. Mr. Timmons was appointed by the City Council on February 17th to fill the Ward 6 seat. Mr. Timmons introduced himself and said he looked forward to serving on this commission.

Commission Meeting Absences

A) January 25 Regular Meeting – No absences

Approval of Minutes

A) January 25 Regular Meeting

Chair Adams asked for a motion to approve the January 25th minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Ortiz to approve the minutes and seconded by Commissioner Ybarra. Unanimous approval.

OFFICER-INVOLVED DEATH (OID) CASE EVALUATIONS

Discussion and action, if any, on the following OID Case Evaluations. While the stages noted with each case are the current points of focus, the Commission may move on to new stages or return to discussion of completed stages, if needed.

- A) Stage I – Commission Member Review
- B) Stage II – Fact Finding, Request for Training & Investigation
- C) Stage III – Policy and Procedure Process
- D) Stage IV – Deliberation and Finding Process
- E) Stage V – Recommendation Process
- F) Stage VI – Written Public Report

Lewis Officer-Involved Death (OID) Case Evaluation

- D) Stage IV – Deliberation and Finding Process
- E) Stage V – Recommendation Process

Chair Adams noted that the Fact Sheet had been submitted. She asked if all rationales had been submitted. As not all had been, she asked that they be sent to Staff in time for discussion at the March meeting.

ONGOING COMMISSION ACTIVITIES & ISSUES

Annual CPRC Officer Elections – March 2017

Elections for the CPRC Chair and Vice-Chair will take place during the first meeting in March. Commissioners interested in serving as Chair or Vice-Chair can inform the Commission of their interest or can nominate a fellow Commissioner. Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair may be made during the February Regular Meeting. Those who are nominated by a fellow Commissioner must accept or decline the nomination.

Chair Adams opened by calling for nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair.

Vice-Chair Smith nominated Chair Adams for Chair. Commissioner Jackson nominated Commissioner Smith for Vice-Chair. All nominations were accepted.

CPRC Ad-hoc Committees

Reports from Committee Chairs, with Commission discussion and action, if any, regarding respective Committee activities and / or recommendations:

- A) 2016 Outreach Committee
 - 1) CPRC Self-Assessment Project
 - 2) Community Footprint Project
- B) Policies, Procedures, and By-Laws Committee

A) 2016 Outreach Committee

Vice-Chair Smith reviewed the Committee's discussion topics: the researching of Facebook sites for other oversight bodies, the RPU bill inserts and a similar inclusion in City Council newsletters, a second Mental Health forum, an infomercial, and a possible NPR presentation. He asked that Commissioners attend Ward community meetings, as well as any larger City events, and also noted that the link to the online complaint form had been moved to a more visible location on the CPRC main webpage.

B) Policies, Procedures, and By-Laws Committee

Commissioner Ortiz said that the proposed amendments to the Policies, Procedures, and By-Laws would be discussed later in the meeting.

Outreach

A) January / February Community Outreach

Reports from Commissioners regarding community meetings or events which they attended.

B) Scheduled Outreach Events

C) Future Outreach Opportunities

- 1) Input from Outreach Coordinator on potential outreach events
- 2) Input from Commission Members on potential outreach events

Commissioners reported on the various community meetings or events they attended.

Meetings and Training Sessions

Reports from Commissioners regarding CPRC-based meetings, non-Outreach meetings, and / or training sessions attended in January / February.

Commissioners reported on the various meetings and training sessions they attended.

Annual Goals

A) Discussion of goals for 2017

- 1) Review of "Totality of Circumstances" for Officer-Involved Death (OID) case evaluations.
- 2) Youth Outreach
- 3) Ensure that CPRC Brochures are in all local City Community Centers
- 4) Create and send a separate assessment form to RPD Officers
- 5) Receive completed assessment forms from 1% of the city's population

Chair Adams reported on the status of items in the Annual Goals list.

- The LA Police Commission is willing to talk over the phone, but they don't want to drive out to Riverside to do a presentation regarding the Hayes Case and the "Totality of Circumstances" for Officer-Involved Death (OID) incidents. She said Mr. Hauptmann learned that Gary Geuss, Riverside's City Attorney, has experience with the Hayes Case so Mr. Hauptmann was looking into a presentation from Mr. Geuss.
- Denver has been contacted regarding the Youth Outreach Program, but there has been no response from them as yet.
- Items 3 and 4 – brochures and an assessment survey form for RPD officers – should be discussed by the Outreach Committee.
- More assessment / survey forms will be distributed during CPRC presentations at community meetings.

Staff Report

Mr. Hauptmann noted that links to the Commission's online complaint form are now directly below the mission statement. He also noted that links to CPRC's webpage and complaint form are now on various city pages making it easier to find. Mr. Hauptmann said he was going to schedule a meeting with IT to see about putting complainants' case status information online.

Commissioner Evans suggested converting the CPRC survey form into a fillable .PDF form.

NEW COMMISSION ACTIVITIES & ISSUES

Amendments to CPRC Policies, Procedures and By-Laws

Discussion and action, if any, on:

A) Amendment to By-Laws, Article III, Terms of Office

Addition of language defining what constitutes an excused meeting absence

Commissioner Ortiz read the suggested amendment. A motion was made by Commissioner Jackson to approve the By-Laws amendment and seconded by Commissioner Ybarra. Unanimous approval.

B) Amendment to Policies and Procedures, Section VI. Officer-Involved Death (OID) Case Evaluations, D, 4.

Addition of language regarding the process by which Dissenting Opinions will be included in the Commission's OID Public Reports.

Commissioner Ybarra asked if the italicized end statement would keep people from using dissenting opinions as precedent. Commissioner Ortiz said he hoped it would. Chair Adams said people could try to use it, but it would be known that it was the dissenting opinion and not the majority. Commissioner Ortiz said he still had concerns and believed that the Commission should speak with one voice.

A motion was made by Commissioner Evans to approve the Policies and Procedures amendment and seconded by Commissioner Kurkoske. Six approved; Commissioners Ortiz and Ybarra voted against.

2016 Annual Report

Discussion and action, if any, on Draft No. 1 of the 2016 Annual Report.

Chair Adams asked Ms. Sherron when she need Commissioner bios submitted. Ms. Sherron asked that they be turned in by Friday, March 3rd.

OTHER MATTERS

Commissioner Comments

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, Commission members may use this time to make brief announcements or a brief report on their own activities.

There were none.

Items for Future Commission Consideration

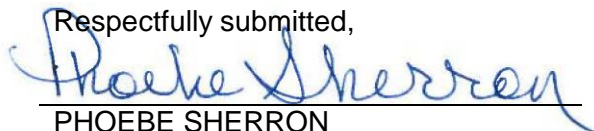
Items for future Commission consideration can be agendized by any Commissioner. Discussion and action, if any, will occur only during the meeting for which that item has been agendized.

There were none.

Adjournment

The Commission adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



PHOEBE SHERRON
Administrative Assistant

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