

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
CITIZEN POLICE COMPLAINT
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2020
TELECONFERENCE, 5:30 PM**

Desmond Fletcher, Chair
Christian Cooper, Vice Chair
James Ahumada, Commissioner
Leonard Adams Jr., Commissioner
Dana Buchanan, Commissioner



Veronica Garcia, Commissioner
Porter Gilberg, Commissioner
Dianne McNinch, Commissioner
Justin Morgan, Commissioner
Maria Norvell, Commissioner

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:31 PM)

At 5:31 PM, Chair Fletcher called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:31 PM)

Commissioners James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica Garcia, Porter

Present: Gilberg, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Christian Cooper and
Desmond Fletcher

Commissioners Leonard Adams Jr. and Maria Norvell

Absent:

Also present: Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC; Terrance Pham, Special Investigator;
Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator; Sarah Green, Deputy City Attorney, Dina Zapalski,
Commander, Long Beach Police Department; Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR (5:34 PM)

Passed the Consent Calendar

**A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Vice
Chair Cooper, to approve Consent Calendar Item. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 5 - James Ahumada, Veronica Garcia, Justin Morgan, Christian Cooper and Desmond Fletcher

Abstain: 2 - Dana Buchanan and Porter Gilberg

Absent: 3 - Leonard Adams Jr., Dianne McNinch and Maria Norvell

1. 20-015CP Recommendation to receive, file and close the following cases due to lack of evidence and/or witness cooperation or staff recommendation:

<u>CPCC NO.</u>	<u>ALLEGATION(S)</u>
19-069	Unbecoming Conduct
19-091	Unbecoming Conduct
19-111	Profanity, Use of Force
19-151	Misappropriation of Property
19-074	Unbecoming Conduct, Bias Based Policing, Improper Detention
19-087	Unbecoming Conduct

A motion was made to approve recommendation on the Consent Calendar.

REGULAR AGENDA (5:37 PM)

2. 20-016CP Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, March 12, 2020.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morgan, seconded by Commissioner Buchanan, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica Garcia, Justin Morgan, Christian Cooper and Desmond Fletcher

Abstain: 1 - Porter Gilberg

Absent: 3 - Leonard Adams Jr., Dianne McNinch and Maria Norvell

MANAGER'S REPORT (5:39 PM)

Commissioner McNinch joined the meeting.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, explained the public comment process using eComments and that the CPCC 2020 Annual Retreat will be postponed until further notice.

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR & COMMISSIONERS (5:40 PM)

There were no remarks from the Chair or Commissioners.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (5:42 PM)

At 5:42 PM, there being no objection, Chair Fletcher recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (9:57 PM)

At 9:57 PM, Chair Fletcher reconvened the meeting.

ROLL CALL (9:57 PM)

Commissioners James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica Garcia, Porter

Present: Gilberg, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Christian Cooper and
Desmond Fletcher

Commissioners Leonard Adams Jr. and Maria Norvell

Absent:

3. 20-017CP Recommendation to receive Commission's vote and refer findings to the City Manager.

Chair Fletcher reported out from Closed Session the following actions taken:

[1] Case No. 19-073 Commissioners voted that the case be laid over to the next meeting;

[2] Case No. 19-089 Commissioners voted 7-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Improper Arrest for First and Second Officers accused and 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct and 3 - Bias Based Policing for First, Second, Third and Fourth Officers accused;

[3] Case No. 19-082 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Detention and 2 - Use of Force for Officer accused;

[4] Case No. 19-081 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Misappropriation of Property for First, Second and Third Officers accused and 2 - Use of Force for First and Second Officer accused;

[5] Case No. 19-094 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Bias Based Policing for First and Second Officers accused;

[6] Case No. 19-092 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused and;

[7] Case No. 20-012 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused.

A motion was made by Commissioner McNinch, seconded by Commissioner Ahumada, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica Garcia, Porter Gilberg, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Christian Cooper and Desmond Fletcher

Absent: 2 - Leonard Adams Jr. and Maria Norvell

ADJOURNMENT (10:02 PM)

At 10:02 PM, there being no objection, Chair Fletcher declared the meeting adjourned.

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