

eComments Report for Citizen Police Complaint Commission Meeting Agenda of June 11, 2020

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Closed Session pursuant to Section 54957 of the California Government Code for the purpose of consideration of personnel discipline matters.	myriam gurba	domvi2018@gmail.com	90814					I experienced re-traumatization as a result of contacting LBPD to report a violent and sadistic batterer, my ex-partner. When I told a detective that my ex-partner had explained how he was going to kill me, the detective argued not to worry: all men have such fantasies. The detective also wanted to know what I was wearing, down to my panties, when I my ex-partner raped me. When I told the detective that my ex-partner had told me he wanted to rape his students, he told me to call LBUSD's Human Resources department, that it wasn't a police matter. The detective never presented my case to the DA. As a result, a rapist and batterer who has expressed intent to rape students and who has raped and beaten me, a teacher, continues to teach for LBUSD. Abolish the police.	6/10/2020
1. 20-032CP CPCC NO. ALLEGATION(S) 19-107 Failure to Take Action, Unbecoming Conduct & Bias Based Policing 19-108 Unbecoming Conduct & Dishonesty 19-115 Use of Force, Improper Search & Unbecoming Conduct 19-124 Use of Force 19-121 Improper Arrest & Failure to Take Action 19-097 Unbecoming Conduct & Failure to	Anne Proffit	anne@highpowermedia.com	140 Linden Avenue, 661					HOW DARE YOU CONDUCT THIS IN CLOSED SESSION - WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BROWN ACT? SINCE THE PUBLIC IS AFFECTED BY LBPD ACTIONS, THE PUBLIC SHOULD HAVE FULL AND UNIMPEDED ACCESS TO THE ACTIONS OF THE MAYORAL-BACKED CPCC. THIS IS NO TIME FOR BUSINESS AS USUAL. THE WHOLE WORLD IS WATCHING.	6/9/2020
CALL TO ORDER	Kaitlyn Heng	ezex1st@gmail.com	3101 East 5th Street, Long Beach, CA, 90814					I don't understand how amid the BLK protests, and state governments like NY allowing citizens access to previously redacted police records, members of the city of Long Beach government, including the city attorney, are moving to destroy police records. This is an apparent attempt to protect dirty cops. Can you please explain this decision to approve the destruction of police records during this historical time? I would comment at the hearing this evening if I could, but these critical decisions are being made behind closed doors. Is this committee planning to open this CITIZENS committee to the public? I will be checking for answers to these questions.	6/11/2020
1. 20-026CP Recommendation to receive, file and close the following cases due to lack of evidence and/or witness cooperation or staff recommendation: CPCC NO. ALLEGATION(S) 19-125 Unbecoming Conduct 19-145 Failure to Take Action & Unbecoming Conduct 19-136 Unbecoming Conduct 19-148 Failure to Take Report 19-143 Unbecoming Conduct 19-118 Failure to Take Report	L. S.	lsgdesigngroup@gmail.com	532 e 15th street Long Beach, ca 90813					Another attempt need to be made regarding these complaints and those that are claimed to be due to lack of follow up. There is a serious problem when citizens are complaining regarding lack of a report being taken. Also, if the details of the cases are not going to be released, the community needs to know which of these cases are referred to the consent calendar for closure based on staff recommendation, that staff persons job and qualifications to make such a determination.	6/11/2020

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4. 20-029CP Recommendation to receive and file a discussion on Commissioners requests for CPCC reform.	Greg Buhl	gdbuhl@gmail.com	48 La Linda Drive Long Beach, CA 90807					Three-Part Proposal for Immediate Reform of the CPCC that can be Implemented Without the Need for Change to the City Charter. (truncated for 1000 space limit. full version emailed to clerk) 1 City Council: Increase the CPCC budget so that the commission no longer has to close the majority of its cases without conducting an investigation and can issue adequate public reports.Â Currently, the CPCC executive director dismisses most casesâ€only 62 cases had hearings out of 336 casesâ€ No annual report since 2015 despite by-laws requirementâ€ Information is obscured...Outcomes are not categorized properly....Information regarding bias in policing could be significantly improvedâ€former City Manager West overruled the CPCC about 5% of the timeâ€. While that seems like a low rateâ€ 5% is also about how often the CPCC sustains an allegation of wrongdoing. Looking at the last City Managerâ€™s report to the CPCC confirms that the City Manager overturned every single sustained allegationâ€ (continued)	6/11/2020
4. 20-029CP Recommendation to receive and file a discussion on Commissioners requests for CPCC reform.	Kavita Philip	kavitaphilip@gmail.com	90807					I support the community plan from Long Beach Forward. Black and Brown communities, immigrant neighborhoods, and low-income families need your support. Please follow Long Beach Rising, Defund LBPd, and support "local organizations promoting civic participation, alliance building, voter engagement, and community organizing amongst communities historically marginalized from the political process." (LBRising)	6/11/2020
4. 20-029CP Recommendation to receive and file a discussion on Commissioners requests for CPCC reform.	Stefanie Lira	stefelicerio@gmail.com	46 Gaviota Ave. Long Beach, CA 90802					As a citizen of Long Beach, I am concerned about the usefulness and efficacy of the CPCC furthering true accountability for the LBPd. The recent political moment caused many of us to reflect on the lives stolen from us by the brutal Long Beach police: Donte Jordan, Sioun Pream, Barry Prak, Lionel Gibson, Mharloun Saycon, and countless others. The community of LB deserves a clearer, publicly accessible path to holding trigger-happy police officers accountable. If the CPCC undergoes any "reforms," we demand to know what they are. And if the reforms fall short of providing the means for community members to actually see justice? Then this LB community member says: dismantle the CPCC and replace it with a community body that will actually deliver accountability and justice.	6/11/2020

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4. 20-029CP Recommendation to receive and file a discussion on Commissioners requests for CPCC reform.	Alex Montances	alexmontances@gmail.com	90810					My name is Alex Montances of the Filipino Migrant Center located in Long Beach District 7. As a Filipino American community leader in Long Beach I am horrified at how weak the CPCC is and how community residents on the panel have no oversight or real power to change or improve the police system and respond to community complaints. The LB community residents need a direct oversight body that holds LBPd accountable and makes sure they are transparent. The oversight committee should make real decisions on LBPd policy to ensure against Misconduct, abuse, racism, discrimination, and unnecessary violence or use of force on residents. We need community care and police accountability, not police brutality, discrimination, and impunity.	6/11/2020
4. 20-029CP Recommendation to receive and file a discussion on Commissioners requests for CPCC reform.	Kimberly Lind	kiby.olson@gmail.com	90804					I successfully represented a former CPCC Investigator terminated in retaliation for complaints that the CPCC Director was sweeping egregious acts of police misconduct under the rug, mislabeling them NFA, preventing legit investigations from taking place, etc. I have learned much about the functioning/history of the CPCC. My thoughts-The governing city charter provisions 1150-1155 need to be changed back to what was voted into law by LB citizens in the 90s. Those provisions/bylaws have been changed (not by vote) to circumvent the efficacy/purpose of the CPCC. The CPCC sees only what the Director sets before it, which is what the PD selectively gives to the Director, which CPCC investigators have generally rubber stamped or sugar coated regardless of the egregiousness of the conduct at issue. Add-appointed commissioners should not have ties to the police force they review, utilized/enforceable subpoena power and real disciplinary authority apart from the City Manager's approval/veto.	6/10/2020

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4. 20-029CP Recommendation to receive and file a discussion on Commissioners requests for CPCC reform.	ALVARO CASTILLO	ajcastillo@gmail.com	90808					I served on this Commission for several years. I wholeheartedly support reform to increase TRANSPARENCY. The challenges of doing virtually all our work in Closed-Session is necessary for many reasons, but this SHOULD NOT preclude more information being shared with the public on what is decided. This is especially true now, given the recent changes in CA state law on police records. It was always disheartening to spend countless hours reviewing misconduct cases, discussing the merits of each case with fellow Commissioners and then ultimately have the net result of all that independent review by fellow-citizens widdled down to "Sustained", "Not Sustained", "Exonerated" or similar one-word decision. Not fair to CPCC, the public and the victims. Then to our own frustration, not get closure from City Manager on the final disposition of the cases. More work is needed, let's seize the moment! The fine work of CPCC is more important than ever! Alvaro Castillo	6/10/2020
4. 20-029CP Recommendation to receive and file a discussion on Commissioners requests for CPCC reform.	Anne Proffit	anne@highpowermedia.com	140 Linden Avenue, 661					REFORM STARTS AT THE LBPd AND IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE. THIS IS NO TIME FOR BUSINESS AS USUAL. YOUR CORRUPTION IS SHOWING AND THE WORLD IS WATCHING.	6/9/2020
MANAGER'S REPORT	myriam gurba	domvi2018@gmail.com	90814					I experienced re-traumatization as a result of contacting LBPd to report a violent, sadistic batterer, my ex-partner. When I told a detective that my ex-partner had explained how he was going to kill me, the detective argued not to worry: all men have such fantasies. The detective also wanted to know what I was wearing, down to my panties, when I my ex-partner raped me. When I told the detective that my ex-partner had told me he wanted to rape his students, he told me to call LBUSD's Human Resources department, that it wasn't a police matter. The detective never presented my case to the DA. As a result, a rapist and batterer who has expressed intent to rape students and who has raped and beaten me, a teacher, continues to teach for LBUSD. My case is 19-108. Abolish the police.	6/10/2020
6. 20-031CP Recommendation to receive Commission's vote and refer findings to the City Manager.	Anne Proffit	anne@highpowermedia.com	140 Linden Avenue, 661					CITY MANAGER MUST NOT SIDE INEXTRICABLY WITH LBPd. THIS IS NO TIME FOR BUSINESS AS USUAL.	6/9/2020