

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

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020
TELECONFERENCE, 5:30 PM**

Christian Cooper, Chair
Dana Buchanan, Vice Chair
Desmond Fletcher, Commissioner
Veronica Garcia, Commissioner
Nigel Lifsey, Commissioner



John Mathews II, Commissioner
Dianne McNinch, Commissioner
Justin Morgan, Commissioner
Brent Walmsley, Commissioner

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

**CITIZEN POLICE COMPLAINT COMMISSION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE
PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY
GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM**

CALL TO ORDER (5:41 PM)

At 5:41 PM, Chair Cooper called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:41 PM)

Commissioners Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John
Present: Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Brent Walmsley,
Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Also Present: Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC; Terrance Pham, Special Investigator; Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator; Sarah Green, Deputy City Attorney, Darren Lance, Lieutenant, Long Beach Police Department; Kyle Smith, City Clerk Specialist.

REGULAR AGENDA (5:42 PM)

1. 20-074CP Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, November 12, 2020.

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

Yes: 8 - Desmond Fletcher, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Absent: 1 - Veronica Garcia

2. 20-075CP Recommendation to adopt the proposed Citizen Police Complaint Commission Meeting Schedule for 2021.

Commissioner Fletcher spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fletcher and Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC.

Commissioner Lifsey spoke.

Sarah Green, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

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

Yes: 8 - Desmond Fletcher, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Absent: 1 - Veronica Garcia

3. 20-076CP Recommendation to appoint new member to the Community Outreach Committee.

Chair Cooper spoke.

Commissioner Garcia spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Cooper and Commissioner Garcia.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Chair Cooper spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner McNinch, seconded by Commissioner Garcia, to approve motion to appoint Commissioner Lifsey to the Community Outreach Subcommittee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

4. 20-077CP Recommendation to receive and file City Manager's Report.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke; and presented the staff report.

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

Yes: 9 - Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

MANAGER'S REPORT (5:53 PM)

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke; and presented the Manager's Report.

Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator, spoke.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Commissioner Garcia spoke.

Vice Chair Buchanan spoke.

Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator, spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Vice Chair Buchanan spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Buchanan and Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC.

Commissioner Garcia spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Garcia and Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC.

Chair Cooper spoke.

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (6:02 PM)

Commissioner Fletcher spoke.

Commissioner Lifsey spoke.

Commissioner Mathews II spoke.

Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator, spoke.

Commissioner Morgan spoke.

Commissioner Walmsley spoke.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (6:04 PM)

At 6:04 PM, there being no objection, Chair Cooper recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (11:31 PM)

At 11:31 PM, Chair Cooper reconvened the meeting.

ROLL CALL (11:31 PM)

Commissioners Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John
Present: Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Brent Walmsley,
Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

5. 20-078CP Recommendation to receive Commission's vote and refer findings to the City Manager.

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

[1] Case 19-190 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Entry, 2 - Improper Search, and 6 - Unbecoming Conduct for First, Second, Third, and Fourth Officers accused, 3 - Improper Search for Officer accused, 4 - Use of Force, and 5 - Use of Force for First and Second Officers accused;

[2] Case No. 20-024 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, 3 - Dishonesty, and 4 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused, and 5 - Unbecoming Conduct for the Long Beach Police Department;

[3] Case No. 20-118 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Use of Force, 2 - Use of Force, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 4 - Misappropriation of Property for First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Officers accused;

[4] Case No. 20-015 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Take Action, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[5] Case No. 20-117 Commissioners voted 8-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Use of Force for Officer accused, 9-0 on Allegation No. 2 - Use of Force for First and Second Officers accused, and 7-2 on Allegation No. 3 - Use of Force for Officer accused;

[6] Case No. 20-009 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Bias Based Policing for First and Second Officers accused and 8-1 on

Allegation No. 2 - Misappropriation of Property for Officer accused;

[7] Case No. 19-185 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Dishonesty for Officer accused;

[8] Case No. 20-018 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Improper Arrest and 2 - Dishonesty for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 20-047 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Report for First and Second Officers accused;

[10] Case No. 20-017 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Action for the Long Beach Police Department; and

[11] Case No. 20-065 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Report for Officer accused.

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

Yes: 9 - Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

6. 20-080CP eComments received for the Citizen Police Complaint Commission meeting of Wednesday, December 9, 2020.

This CP-Agenda Item was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT (11:37 PM)

At 11:37 PM, there being no objection, Chair Cooper declared the meeting adjourned.

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