

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

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2019
411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
CIVIC CHAMBERS, 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
Joni Ricks-Oddie, Commissioner

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC

FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:32 PM)

At 5:32 PM, Chair Fletcher called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (5:32 PM)

Commissioners Leonard Adams Jr., James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica

Present: Garcia, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Maria Norvell, Joni
Ricks-Oddie and Desmond Fletcher

Commissioners Porter Gilberg and Christian Cooper

Absent:

Also Present: Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC; Terrance Pham, Special Investigator;
Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator; Monica Kilaita, Deputy City Attorney; Dina Zapalski,
Commander, Long Beach Police Department; Ruby Marin-Jordan, Professional Standards
Administrator, Long Beach Police Department; Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Specialist.

CONSENT CALENDAR (5:33 PM)

Passed the Consent Calendar

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

Yes: 8 - Leonard Adams Jr., James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica Garcia, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Maria Norvell and Desmond Fletcher

Absent: 3 - Porter Gilberg, Joni Ricks-Oddie and Christian Cooper

1. [19-076CP](#) 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>
18-183	Failure to Take Action
18-202	Unbecoming Conduct
18-217	Unbecoming Conduct & Failure to Care for Property
19-026	Unbecoming Conduct
19-041	Failure to Take Action

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

REGULAR AGENDA (5:33 PM)

2. [19-074CP](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, October 10, 2019 and Special Meeting of Friday, October 25, 2019.

Commissioner Ricks-Oddie joined the meeting.

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

Yes: 9 - Leonard Adams Jr., James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica Garcia, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Maria Norvell, Joni Ricks-Oddie and Desmond Fletcher

Absent: 2 - Porter Gilberg and Christian Cooper

PUBLIC COMMENT (5:34 PM)

Damone Daniel spoke.

Chair Fletcher spoke.

MANAGER'S REPORT (5:37 PM)

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, introduced Investigator Chris Crisostomo, thanked Commander Zapalski and the Long Beach Police Department for attending the CPCC Annual Training and updated Commissions concerns on final findings to bring back on December 19, 2019 meeting.

Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator, spoke.

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (5:43 PM)

Commissioner Norvell spoke.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Chair Fletcher spoke.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (5:43 PM)

At 5:43 PM, there being no objection, Chair Fletcher recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (10:02 PM)

At 10:02 PM, Chair Fletcher reconvened the meeting.

ROLL CALL (10:02 PM)

Commissioners Leonard Adams Jr., James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica
Present: Garcia, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Maria Norvell, Joni
Ricks-Oddie and Desmond Fletcher

Commissioners Porter Gilberg and Christian Cooper

Absent:

3. [19-075CP](#) 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. 18-195 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to take Report for Officer accused;

[2] Case No. 19-011 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[3] Case No. 19-001 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Officers Accused, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[4] Case No. 18-214 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Improper Arrest for Officer accused;

[5] Case No. 18-199 Commissioners voted 8-1 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Investigate for Officer accused and 2 - Use of Force for Officer accused and 9-0 on 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[6] Case No. 18-065 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Misappropriation of Property, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct and 3 - Use of Force for Officers accused;

[7] Case No. 19-028 Commissioners voted 8-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Action for Officer accused;

[8] Case No. 19-037 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Care for Property, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 18-188 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officers accused;

[10] Case No. 18-218 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Long Beach Police Department accused;

[11] Case No. 19-027 Commissioners voted 6-3 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused and voted 8-0-1 on Allegation No. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused; and

[12] Case No. 18-187 Commissioners voted 8-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Harassment for First and Second Officers accused and 9-0 on Allegation Nos. 2 - Use of Force for First, Second and Third Officers accused, 3 - Misappropriation of Property for First and Second Officers accused and 4 - Racial Bias for Officer accused.

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

Yes: 9 - Leonard Adams Jr., James Ahumada, Dana Buchanan, Veronica Garcia, Dianne McNinch, Justin Morgan, Maria Norvell, Joni Ricks-Oddie and Desmond Fletcher

Absent: 2 - Porter Gilberg and Christian Cooper

PUBLIC COMMENT (10:07 PM)

No members of the public addressed the commission.

ADJOURNMENT (10:07 PM)

At 10:07 PM, there being no objection, Chair Fletcher declared the meeting adjourned.

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