

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

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2020
TELECONFERENCE, 4:00 PM**

Christian Cooper, Chair
Dana Buchanan, Vice Chair
James Ahumada, Commissioner
Desmond Fletcher, Commissioner
Veronica Garcia, Commissioner



Dianne McNinch, Commissioner
Justin Morgan, Commissioner
Maria Norvell, 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**

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER (4:08 PM)

At 4:08 PM, Chair Cooper called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (4:08 PM)

Commissioners James Ahumada, Desmond Fletcher, Dianne McNinch, Justin

Present: Morgan, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Commissioners Veronica Garcia and Maria Norvell

Excused:

Also present: Kevin Jackson, Deputy City Manager; 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 (4:09 PM)

1. [20-056CP](#) Recommendation to receive Commission's vote and refer findings to the City Manager from the September 10, 2020 Citizen Police Complaint Commission meeting.

Chair Cooper reported out from Closed Session on September 10, 2020, the following actions taken:

[6] Case No. 19-169 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Sexual Misconduct for Officer accused;

[7] Case No. 19-167 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Bias Based Policing for Officer accused;

[8] Case No. 19-157 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Profanity, 2 - Profanity, 3 - Failure to Take Action, and 4 - Failure to Take Report for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 19-129 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Racial Profiling for First and Second Officers accused and 2 - Improper Remark for Officer accused;

[10] Case No. 19-154 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for the Long Beach Police Department;

[11] Case No. 19-158 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Investigate and 2 - Improper Remark for Officer accused;

[12] Case No. 19-172 Commissioners voted 5-2 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[13] Case No. 19-182 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[14] Case No. 19-159 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Investigate for Officer accused;

[15] Case No. 19-177 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Arrest, 2 - Improper Search, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[16] Case No. 19-171 Commissioners voted 6-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Use of Force and 7-0 on Allegation No. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officers accused;

[17] Case No. 19-150 Commissioners voted 6-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Dishonesty for Officer accused;

[18] Case No. 19-168 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[19] Case No. 19-132 Commissioners voted 5-2 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Report for the Long Beach Police Department;

[20] Case No. 19-194 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused; and

[21] Case No. 19-142 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused.

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

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

Excused: 2 - Veronica Garcia and Maria Norvell

2. [20-058CP](#)

Recommendation to receive and file City Manager's Report.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

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

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

Excused: 2 - Veronica Garcia and Maria Norvell

MANAGER'S REPORT (4:19 PM)

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

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (4:22 PM)

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Sarah Green, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Chair Cooper spoke.

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

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Commissioner Morgan spoke.

Patrick Weither, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Kevin Jackson, Deputy City Manager, spoke.

Vice Chair Buchanan spoke.

Chair Cooper spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

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

Commissioner Fletcher spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

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

Chair Cooper spoke.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (4:32 PM)

At 4:32 PM, there being no objection, Chair Cooper recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (11:27 PM)

At 11:27 PM, Chair Cooper reconvened the meeting.

ROLL CALL (11:27 PM)

Commissioners James Ahumada, Desmond Fletcher, Dianne McNinch, Justin

Present: Morgan, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Commissioners Veronica Garcia and Maria Norvell

Excused:

3. [20-057CP](#) 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 No. 20-031 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[2] Case No. 20-005 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Dishonesty, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct and 3 - Improper Remark for Officer accused;

[3] Case No. 19-170 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Arrest, 4 - Use of Force and 5 - Improper Remark for First and Second Officers accused, 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 6 - Profanity for Officer accused,

and 5-1 on Allegation Nos. 7 - Unbecoming Conduct and 8 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[4] Case No. 19-165 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Detention, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, 5 - Unbecoming Conduct, 6 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 5-1 on Allegation No. 4 - Improper Search for First and Second Officers accused;

[5] Case No. 19-178 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Take Action, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officer accused, and 3 - Improper Remark for Officer accused;

[6] Case No. 19-191 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Detention and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[7] Case No. 20-020 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Arrest, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officers accused, and 5-1 on Allegation No. 3 - Improper Search for First, Second, Third and Fourth Officers accused;

[8] Case No. 19-181 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, 2 - Bias Based Policing, and 3 - Failure to Take Action for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 19-164 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Misuse of Authority, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[10] Case No. 19-163 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Take Report and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[11] Case No. 20-003 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[12] Case No. 19-173 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[13] Case No. 19-188 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[14] Case No. 19-189 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Action for Officer accused;

[15] Case No. 19-180 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for First, Second, and Third Officers accused;

[16] Case No. 20-016 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[17] Case No. 19-183 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[18] Case No. 20-076 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused; and

[19] Case No. 20-078 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused.

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

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

Excused: 2 - Veronica Garcia and Maria Norvell

4. [20-061CP](#) eComments received for the Citizen Police Complaint Commission meeting of Friday, September 18, 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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