

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

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021  
411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD  
CIVIC CHAMBERS, 5:30 PM**

Dana Buchanan, Chair  
Veronica Garcia, Vice Chair  
Irma Archuleta, Commissioner  
Desmond Fletcher, Commissioner  
Nigel Lifsey, Commissioner



Dianne McNinch, Commissioner  
Malyneath Vong, Commissioner  
Brent Walmsley, Commissioner

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC

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**FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES**

**IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL HYBRID CITIZEN POLICE COMPLAINT COMMISSION MEETING  
PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-08-21 ISSUED BY  
GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM**

**CALL TO ORDER (5:30 PM)**

At 5:30 PM, Chair Buchanan called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL (5:31 PM)**

**Commissioners** Irma Archuleta, Nigel Lifsey, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath Vong,  
**Present:** Brent Walmsley, Veronica Garcia, Dana Buchanan and  
Desmond Fletcher

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

**REGULAR AGENDA (5:30 PM)**

1. [21-047CP](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, August 12, 2021.

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

**Yes:** 6 - Irma Archuleta, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath Vong, Veronica Garcia, Dana Buchanan and Desmond Fletcher

**Absent:** 2 - Nigel Lifsey and Brent Walmsley

**PUBLIC COMMENT (5:32 PM)**

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

**MANAGER'S REPORT (5:32 PM)**

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

**REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (5:34 PM)**

There were no remarks from the Chair or Commissioners.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (5:34 PM)**

At 5:34 PM, there being no objection, Chair Buchanan recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

**RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (9:56 PM)**

At 9:56 PM, Chair Buchanan reconvened the meeting.

**ROLL CALL (9:56 PM)**

**Commissioners** Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Nigel Lifsey, Dianne

**Present:** McNinch, Malyneath Vong, Brent Walmsley, Veronica Garcia and Dana Buchanan

2. [21-049CP](#) Recommendation to receive Commission's vote and refer findings to the City Manager.

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

[1] Case 20-135 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, 3 - Failure to Take Report, 4 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 7-0-1 on Allegation No. 2 - Failure to Investigate for Officer accused;

[2] Case No. 20-147 Commissioners voted 7-0-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, 6-0-2 on Allegation No. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 8-0 on Allegation No. 3 - Failure to Care for Property for Officer accused;

[3] Case No. 20-016 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Misuse of Authority for Officer accused;

[4] Case No. 20-112 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Dishonesty, 2 - Bias Based Policing, and 3 - Failure to Take Action for Officer accused;

[5] Case No. 21-013 Commissioners voted 5-3 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 8-0 on Allegation No. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[6] Case No. 20-128 Commissioners voted 6-1-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for First Officer accused, 5-2-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Second Officer accused, 7-0-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Third Officer accused, and 8-0 on Allegation No. 2 - Improper Arrest for First, Second, and Third Officers accused;

[7] Case No. 20-124 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[8] Case No. 20-145 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Improper Arrest for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 20-123 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Harassment for Officer accused;

[10] Case No. 20-129 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 -

Failure to Investigate for First and Second Officers accused;

[11] Case No. 20-125 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 -  
Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[12] Case No. 20-133 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 -  
Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused; and

[13] Case No. 20-141 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 -  
Improper Detention for First and Second Officers accused.

Chair Buchanan spoke.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Commissioner Lifsey spoke.

Commissioner Fletcher spoke.

Vice Chair Garcia spoke.

Chair Buchanan spoke.

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

**Yes:** 8 - Irma Archuleta, Nigel Lifsey, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath  
Vong, Brent Walmsley, Veronica Garcia, Dana Buchanan  
and Desmond Fletcher

3. [21-051CP](#) eComments received for the Citizen Police Complaint Commission  
meeting of Thursday, September 9, 2021.

**This was received and filed.**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT (10:02 PM)**

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT (10:02 PM)**

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

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