

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

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023
411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
CIVIC CHAMBERS, 5:30 PM**

Michael Soto, Chair
Merry Taheri, Vice Chair
Michele Anderson, Commissioner
Irma Archuleta, Commissioner
Desmond Fletcher, Commissioner
Veronica Garcia, Commissioner



David Ochoa, Commissioner
Dianne McNinch, Commissioner
Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Commissioner
Rocio Torres, Commissioner
Brent Walmsley, Commissioner

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (5:32 PM)

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

ROLL CALL (5:32 PM)

Commissioners Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, David
Present: Ochoa, Dianne McNinch, Brent Walmsley and Merry Taheri

Commissioners Michele Anderson, Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Rocio Torres
Absent: and Michael Soto

Also present: Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC; Terrance Pham, Special Investigator;
Ryan LeBaron, Commander; Kyle Smith, City Clerk Specialist.

REGULAR AGENDA (5:32 PM)

1. 23-032CP Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, July 13, 2023.

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

Yes: 4 - Irma Archuleta, David Ochoa, Brent Walmsley and Merry Taheri

Abstain: 3 - Veronica Garcia, Dianne McNinch and Desmond Fletcher

Absent: 4 - Michele Anderson, Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Rocio Torres and Michael Soto

2. 23-033CP Recommendation to receive and file a presentation on the Ethics Program Introduction for City Commissions.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke.

Jeff Williams, Director of Community Engagement, Office of the Mayor, spoke.

Heather Van Wijk, Ethics Officer, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

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

Yes: 7 - Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, David Ochoa, Dianne McNinch, Brent Walmsley and Merry Taheri

Absent: 4 - Michele Anderson, Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Rocio Torres and Michael Soto

PUBLIC COMMENT (5:46 PM)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

MANAGER'S REPORT (5:47 PM)

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

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (5:50 PM)

Commissioner Ochoa spoke.

Vice Chair Taheri spoke.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (5:50 PM)

At 5:50 PM, there being no objection, Vice Chair Taheri recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (9:34 PM)

At 9:34 PM, Vice Chair Taheri reconvened the meeting.

ROLL CALL (9:34 PM)

Commissioners Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, David
Present: Ochoa, Dianne McNinch, Brent Walmsley and Merry Taheri

Commissioners Michele Anderson, Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Rocio Torres
Absent: and Michael Soto

3. 23-034CP Recommendation to receive Commission's vote and refer findings to the City Manager.

Vice Chair Taheri reported out from Closed Session the following actions taken:

[1] Case 22-136 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Detention, 4 - Unbecoming Conduct, 5 - Dishonesty, 6 - Dishonesty, 6-0-1 on Allegation No. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 6-1 on Allegation No. 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[2] Case No. 22-144 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Sexual Misconduct, 3 - Use of Force, 5 - Misappropriation of Property, 6 - Unbecoming Conduct, for Officer accused, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for First, Second, and Third Officers accused, and 5-2 on Allegation No. 4 - Use of Force for First and Second Officers accused;

[3] Case No. 22-139 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Detention, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, 4 - Unbecoming Conduct

for First, Second, Third, and Fourth Officers accused, and 2 - Use of Force for Officer accused;

[4] Case No. 22-138 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Racial Profiling, 4-3 on Allegation No. 2 - Failure to Investigate for Officer accused, 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 3 - Misappropriation of Property, and 4 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officers accused;

[5] Case No. 22-148 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Investigate, 2 - Dishonesty, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for the Long Beach Police Department;

[6] Case No. 22-154 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Dishonesty and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer Accused;

[7] Case No. 22-145 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Failure to Take Report for Officer Accused;

[8] Case No. 22-134 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 22-143 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Detention and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for First, Second, and Third Officers accused;

[10] Case No. 22-140 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Sexual Misconduct for Officer accused and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for First, Second, Third, and Fourth Officers accused;

[11] Case No. 22-142 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Bias Based Policing and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused.

[12] Case No. 22-131 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Misuse of Authority for Officer accused;

[13] Case No. 22-132 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Intimidation for Officer accused;

[14] Case No. 22-159 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Misuse of Authority for Officer accused; and

[15] Case No. 22-147 Commissioners voted 7-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused.

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

Yes: 7 - Irma Archuleta, David Ochoa, Brent Walmsley, Merry Taheri, Veronica Garcia, Dianne McNinch and Desmond Fletcher

Absent: 4 - Michele Anderson, Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Rocio Torres and Michael Soto

4. 23-036CP eComments received for the Citizen Police Complaint Commission meeting of Thursday, August 10, 2023.

This CP-Agenda Item was received and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENT (9:43 PM)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT (9:43 PM)

At 9:43 PM, there being no objection, Vice Chair Taheri declared the meeting adjourned.

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