

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

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2022  
411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD  
CIVIC CHAMBERS, 5:30 PM**

Michael Soto, Chair  
Michele Anderson, Vice Chair  
Irma Archuleta, Commissioner  
Michael L. Bates, Commissioner  
Dana Buchanan, Commissioner



David Ochoa, Commissioner  
Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Commissioner  
Merry Taheri, Commissioner  
Rocio Torres, Commissioner  
Brent Walmsley, Commissioner

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC

**FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES**

**CITIZEN POLICE COMPLAINT COMMISSION MEETING IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL  
HYBRID MEETING PURSUANT TO AB 361 (GOV. CODE SECTION 54953(e)(1)-(2))**

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

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

**ROLL CALL (5:30 PM)**

**Commissioners** Michael L. Bates, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres,  
**Present:** Merry Taheri, Brent Walmsley, Michele Anderson and Michael  
Soto

**Commissioners** Irma Archuleta and Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto  
**Absent:**

Also Present: Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC; Terrance Pham, Special Investigator; Anita Lakhani, Deputy City Attorney; Alyssa Campos, City Clerk Specialist; Allison Bunma, Assistant City Clerk.

**REGULAR AGENDA (5:31 PM)**

1. 22-055CP Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, November 10, 2022.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Michael L. Bates, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres, Merry Taheri, Brent Walmsley and Michael Soto

**Absent:** 3 - Irma Archuleta, Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto and Michele Anderson

2. 22-056CP Recommendation to rescind the action taken on November 10, 2022, regarding CPCC Case No. 22-141.

Chair Soto spoke.

Commissioner Buchanan spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Chair Soto and Commissioner Buchanan.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Michael L. Bates, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres, Merry Taheri, Brent Walmsley and Michael Soto

**Absent:** 3 - Irma Archuleta, Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto and Michele Anderson

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT (5:35 PM)**

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT (5:35 PM)**

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager, spoke; and provided the Manager's report.

Chair Soto spoke.

Commissioner Buchanan spoke.

Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Buchanan and Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager.

Commissioner Bates spoke.

Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Buchanan spoke.

Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager, spoke.

Chair Soto spoke.

Vice Chair Anderson spoke.

Commissioner Taheri spoke.

Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Taheri and Linda Tatum, Assistant City Manager.

#### **REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (5:51 PM)**

Chair Soto spoke.

#### **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (5:52 PM)**

At 5:51 PM, there being no objection, Chair Soto recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

#### **RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (8:39 PM)**

At 8:39 PM, Chair Soto reconvened the meeting.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Michael L. Bates, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres,  
**Present:** Merry Taheri, Brent Walmsley, Michele Anderson and Michael  
Soto

**Commissioners** Irma Archuleta and Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto  
**Absent:**

3. 22-057CP Recommendation to receive Commission's vote and refer findings to the City Manager.

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

[1] Case 22-141 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Investigate and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[2] Case No. 22-004 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Investigate for First and Second Officers accused, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, 4 - Failure to Investigate, and 5 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[3] Case No. 22-010 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Use of Force, 2 - Improper Arrest, 4 - Failure to Investigate for First and Second Officers accused and 3 - Improper Entry for Officer accused;

[4] Case No. 22-023 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Use of Force, 2 - Use of Force, 3 - Use of Force, and 4 - Use of Force for Officer accused;

[5] Case No. 22-009 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for the Long Beach Police Department;

[6] Case No. 22-013 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Use of Force for First and Second Officers accused and 2 - Misuse of Authority for Officer accused;

[7] Case No. 22-002 Commissioners voted 7-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused; and

[8] Case No. 22-001 Commissioners voted 8-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Investigate for Officer accused.

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

**Yes:** 8 - Michael L. Bates, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres, Merry Taheri, Brent Walmsley, Michele Anderson and Michael Soto

**Absent:** 2 - Irma Archuleta and Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto

4. 22-059CP eComments received for the Citizen Police Complaint Commission meeting of Thursday, December 8, 2022.

**This CP-Agenda Item was received and filed.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT (8:44 PM)**

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT (8:44 PM)**

At 8:44 PM, there being no objection, Chair Soto declared the meeting adjourned.

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