

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

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023
411 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD
CIVIC CHAMBERS, 6:30 PM

Michael Soto, Chair
Michele Anderson, Vice Chair
Irma Archuleta, 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

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER (6:31 PM)

At 6:31 PM, Chair Soto called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL (6:31 PM)

Commissioners Irma Archuleta, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres,

Present: Merry Taheri and Michael Soto

Commissioners Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Brent Walmsley and Michele

Absent: Anderson

Also Present: Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC; Terrance Pham, Special Investigator; Chris Crisostomo, Special Investigator; Ryan LeBaron, Commander; Anita Lakhani, Deputy City Attorney; Kyle Smith, City Clerk Specialist.

REGULAR AGENDA (6:31 PM)

1. 23-013CP Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, March 9, 2023.

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

Yes: 5 - Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres, Merry Taheri and Michael Soto

Abstain: 1 - Irma Archuleta

Absent: 3 - Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Brent Walmsley and Michele Anderson

PUBLIC COMMENT (6:32 PM)

Ahmed Mahmoud spoke.

Graciela Espinoza Ortiz spoke.

MANAGER'S REPORT (6:43 PM)

There was no report from Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC.

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (6:44 PM)

Chair Soto spoke.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (6:44 PM)

At 6:44 PM, there being no objection, Chair Soto recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (10:28 PM)

At 10:28 PM, Chair Soto reconvened the meeting.

ROLL CALL (10:28 PM)

Commissioners Irma Archuleta, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres,
Present: Merry Taheri and Michael Soto

Commissioners Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Brent Walmsley and Michele

Absent: Anderson

2. 23-014CP 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 22-070 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Racial Bias, 2 - Improper Detention, 3 - Improper Arrest, 4 - Unbecoming Conduct, 5 - Failure to Take Action, and 6 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[2] Case No. 22-049 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Vehicle Search, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, 4 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 5 - Bias Based Policing for Officer accused;

[3] Case No. 22-059 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Take Action, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[4] Case No. 22-071 Commissioners voted 5-0-1 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Take Report, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officers accused;

[5] Case No. 22-046 Commissioners voted 4-0-2 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, 5-0-1 on Allegation Nos. 2 - Failure to Take Action, and 3 - Racial Bias for Officer accused;

[6] Case No. 22-065 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Use of Force for First, Second, and Third Officers accused, 2 - Use of Force for Officer accused, and 3 - Use of Force for First and Second Officers accused;

[7] Case No. 22-063 Commissioners voted 5-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Racial Profiling, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 6-0 on Allegation No. 2 - Use of Force for First and Second Officers accused;

[8] Case No. 22-087 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 22-068 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Action and 5-0-1 on Allegation No. 2 - Racial Bias for Officer accused;

[10] Case No. 22-057 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Report and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[11] Case No. 22-103 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Investigate for First and Second Officers accused.

[12] Case No. 22-069 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Personal Search for Officer accused;

[13] Case No. 22-086 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[14] Case No. 22-064 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused; and

[15] Case No. 22-062 Commissioners voted 6-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Harassment for First, Second, and Third Officers accused.

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

Yes: 6 - Irma Archuleta, Dana Buchanan, David Ochoa, Rocio Torres, Merry Taheri and Michael Soto

Absent: 3 - Kenneth Shiozaki-Kawamoto, Brent Walmsley and Michele Anderson

3. 23-016CP eComments received for the Citizen Police Complaint Commission special meeting of Thursday, April 19, 2023.

This CP-Agenda Item was received and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENT (10:33 PM)

No members of the public addressed the commission.

ADJOURNMENT (10:33 PM)

At 10:33 PM, there being no objection, Chair Soto declared the meeting adjourned.

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