

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

**THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021
TELECONFERENCE, 5:30 PM**

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



John Mathews II, Commissioner
Dianne McNinch, Commissioner
Justin Morgan, Commissioner
Malyneath Vong, Commissioner
Brent Walmsley, Commissioner

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC

FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

**CITIZEN POLICE COMPLAINT COMMISSION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE
PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY
GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM**

The CPCC minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the CPCC Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting. Please consult the time stamps to determine the order in which business was addressed.

The Agenda Items were considered in the following order: Agenda Item No. 1, Introduction of New Commissioners, Agenda Item Nos. 2 - 4.

CALL TO ORDER (5:32 PM)

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

ROLL CALL (5:32 PM)

Commissioners Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel

Present: Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath Vong, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Commissioners Justin Morgan

Absent:

Also Present: 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.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONERS (5:36 PM)

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Commissioner Archuleta spoke.

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Commissioner Vong spoke.

Chair Cooper spoke.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

REGULAR AGENDA (5:32 PM)

1. [21-016CP](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Citizen Police Complaint Commission Regular Meeting of Thursday, March 11, 2021.

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

Yes: 7 - Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, Dianne McNinch, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Abstain: 2 - Irma Archuleta and Malyneath Vong

Absent: 2 - John Mathews and Justin Morgan

2. [21-020CP](#) Recommendation to approve a memorandum informing the City Council of Community Outreach Subcommittee Community Meetings.

Commissioner Mathews II joined the meeting.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

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

Yes: 10 - Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath Vong, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Absent: 1 - Justin Morgan

3. [21-017CP](#)

Recommendation to receive and file a CPCC Annual Retreat Series Presentation on California Senate Bill 1421 and Assembly Bill 748.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

Monica Kilaita, Deputy City Attorney, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Vice Chair Buchanan spoke.

Commissioner Fletcher spoke.

Monica Kilaita, Deputy City Attorney, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Commissioner Fletcher and Monica Kilaita, Deputy City Attorney.

Commissioner Archuleta spoke.

Patrick Weithers, Manager of the CPCC, spoke.

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

Yes: 10 - Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath Vong, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Absent: 1 - Justin Morgan

PUBLIC COMMENT (6:02 PM)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

MANAGER'S REPORT (6:02 PM)

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

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS (6:03 PM)

Commissioner Fletcher spoke.

Commissioner Garcia spoke.

Commissioner Lifsey spoke.

Commissioner McNinch spoke.

Commissioner Mathews II spoke.

Commissioner Vong spoke.

Vice Chair Buchanan spoke.

Chair Cooper spoke.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION (6:06 PM)

At 6:06 PM, there being no objection, Chair Cooper recessed the meeting to Closed Session.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (12:52 AM)

At 12:52 AM, Chair Cooper reconvened the meeting.

ROLL CALL (12:52 AM)

Commissioners Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel

Present: Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath Vong, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Commissioners Justin Morgan

Absent:

4. [21-018CP](#) 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 20-139 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct and 7-3 on Allegation No. 2 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[2] Case No. 20-059 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused, 4 - Unbecoming Conduct and, 5 - Unbecoming Conduct for First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Officers accused, and 6 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officers accused, and 9-0-1 on Allegation No. 2 Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[3] Case No. 20-052 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation Nos. 2 - Use of Force, 3 - Harassment, 4 - Use of Force, 5 - Use of Force for Officer accused and 7-3 on Allegation No. 1 - Harassment for First and Second Officers accused;

[4] Case No. 20-032 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct, 2 - Bias Based Policing, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, 4 - Intimidation, and 5 - Harassment for Officer accused;

[5] Case No. 20-087 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for First and Second Officer accused and 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, 3 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 4 - Unbecoming

Conduct for Officer accused;

[6] Case No. 20-071 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Improper Arrest for First, Second, Third, and Fourth Officers accused, 2 - Use of Force and 3 - Use of Force for First, Second, and Third Officers accused;

[7] Case No. 20-081 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation Nos. 1 - Failure to Care for Property for First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Officers accused, 2 - Unbecoming Conduct, and 3 - Misappropriation of Property for Officer accused;

[8] Case No. 20-030 Commissioners voted 10-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[9] Case No. 20-080 Commissioners voted 9-0 on Allegation No. 1 - Unbecoming Conduct for Officer accused;

[10] Case No. 20-060 Commissioners voted 8-1 on Allegation No. 1 - Failure to Take Action for First and Second Officer accused.

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

Yes: 10 - Irma Archuleta, Desmond Fletcher, Veronica Garcia, Nigel Lifsey, John Mathews, Dianne McNinch, Malyneath Vong, Brent Walmsley, Dana Buchanan and Christian Cooper

Absent: 1 - Justin Morgan

5. [21-021CP](#) eComments received for the Citizen Police Complaint Commission meeting of Thursday, April 8, 2021.

This CP-Agenda Item was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT (12:58 AM)

At 12:58 AM, there being no objection, Chair Cooper declared the meeting adjourned.

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