

Commission on Police Practices

COMMISSION ON POLICE PRACTICES REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AND AD HOC PERSONNEL COMMITTEE JOINT MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 4:30pm-7:30pm

Balboa Park Santa Fe Room 2144 Pan American W. Road San Diego, CA 92101

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CPP Commissioners Present:

Chair Gloria Tran

1st Vice Chair Dennis Brown

2nd Vice Chair Doug Case
Octavio Aguilar (arrived at 4:54 pm)
Bonnie Benitez
Alec Beyer
Cheryl Canson (arrived at 4:54 pm)
Stephen Chatzky
Lupe Diaz (arrived at 4:35 pm)

Excused:

Yvania Rubio John Armantrout

Ad Hoc Personnel Committee Present

(commenced at 4:47 pm):

Committee Chair, 1st Vice Chair Dennis Brown Clovis Honoré James Justus Darlanne Mulmat

CPP Staff Present:

Danell Scarborough, Interim Executive Director Olga Golub, Chief Investigator Yasmeen Obeid, Community Engagement Coordinator Alina Conde, Executive Assistant Jon'Nae McFarland, Administrative Aide

Armando Flores (arrived at 4:34 pm)

Christina Griffin-Jones (arrived at 4:47 pm)

Dwayne Harvey (arrived at 4:47 pm)

Brandon Hilpert

Clovis Honoré (arrived at 4:47 pm)

James Justus Daniel Mendoza Darlanne Mulmat Ada Rodriguez

Absent:

None

- I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: Chair Gloria Tran called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.
- II. ROLL CALL: Executive Assistant Alina Conde conducted the roll call for the Commission and established quorum.
 - A. Executive Assistant Alina Conde conducted roll call for the Ad Hoc Personnel Committee, which did not have a quorum, and was not commenced until a quorum was established at 4:47pm.
- III. PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION ON POLICE PRACTICES: The purpose of the Commission on Police Practices (CPP or Commission) is to provide independent community oversight of SDPD, directed at increasing community trust in SDPD & increasing safety for community and officers. The purpose of the Commission is also to perform independent investigations of officer-involved shootings, in-custody deaths and other significant incidents, and an unbiased evaluation of all complaints against members of SDPD and its personnel in a process that will be transparent and accountable to the community. Lastly, the Commission also evaluates the review of all SDPD policies, practices, trainings, and protocols and represents the community in making recommendations for changes.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- A. CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2024
 - 1. **Motion**: Commissioner James Justus moved for approval of the CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2024. 1st Vice Chair Dennis Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-0.

Yays: Chair Tran, 1st Vice Chair Brown, 2nd Vice Chair Case, Benitez, Beyer, Chatzky, Hilpert, Justus, Mendoza, Mulmat, and Rodriguez

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent/Excused/Arrived Late: Aguilar, Armantrout, Canson, Diaz, Flores, Griffin-Jones, Harvey, Honoré, Rubio

V. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: None

VI. CABINET ELECTIONS

- A. Public Comment None
- B. Nominations
 - 1. Chair
 - a) Discussion
 - b) Action:

Motion: Commissioner Stephen Chatzky moved to approve Gloria Tran as Chair of the Commission. Commissioner James Justus seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 13-0-0.

Yays: Chair Tran, 1st Vice Chair Brown, 2nd Vice Chair Case, Benitez, Beyer, Chatzky, Diaz, Flores, Hilpert, Justus, Mendoza, Mulmat, and Rodriguez

Nays: 0 Abstained: 0

Excused/Late: Aguilar, Armantrout, Canson, Griffin-Jones, Harvey,

Honoré, and Rubio

C. Nominations

- 1. 1st Vice Chair
 - a) Discussion
 - b) Action:

Motion: Commissioner James Justus moved to approve Dennis Brown as 1st Vice Chair of the Commission. Commissioner Christina Griffin-Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 16-0-0. Yays: Chair Tran, 1st Vice Chair Brown, 2nd Vice Chair Case, Benitez,

Beyer, Chatzky, Diaz, Flores, Harvey, Hilpert, Honoré, Griffin-Jones, Justus, Mendoza, Mulmat, and Rodriguez

Nays: 0 Abstained: 0

Excused/Late: Aguilar, Armantrout, Canson, and Rubio

D. Nominations

- 1. 2nd Vice Chair
 - a) Discussion
 - b) Action:

Motion: Commissioner Dwayne Harvey moved to approve Doug Case as 2nd Vice Chair of the Commission. Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 17-0-0.

Yays: Chair Tran, 1st Vice Chair Brown, 2nd Vice Chair Case, Aguilar, Benitez, Beyer, Canson, Chatzky, Diaz, Flores, Harvey, Hilpert, Honoré, Justus, Mendoza, Mulmat, and Rodriguez

Nays: 0 Abstained: 0

Excused/Late: Armantrout, Griffin-Jones, and Rubio

VII. AD HOC OPERATING PROCEDURES (Ad Hoc Committee Chair Case)

A. Presentation:

- 1. SDPD Reporting and Compliance Procedures (*Timestamp 26:35*) Ad Hoc Committee Chair Doug Case presented the item.
- **B.** Public Comment None
- C. Discussion
- D. **Motion**: Commissioner Clovis Honoré moved to accept the SDPD Reporting and Compliance Procedures. Commissioner Bonnie Benitez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 18–0–0.

Yays: Chair Tran, 1st Vice Chair Brown, 2nd Vice Chair Case, Aguilar, Benitez, Beyer, Canson, Chatzky, Diaz, Flores, Griffin-Jones, Harvey, Hilpert, Honoré, Justus, Mendoza, Mulmat, and Rodriguez

Nays: 0 Abstained: 0

Excused: Armantrout and Rubio

VIII. POLICE PURSUIT AD HOC COMMITTEE

- A. Ad Hoc Committee Update (*Timestamp 34:32*) Ad Hoc Committee Chair Doug Case gave an update on the progress of the committee's action plan. In Person Public Comment: Mr. Darwin (*Timestamp 33:22*) Took back his public comment due to time limit.
- B. Discussion

IX. PRETEXT STOP COMMUNITY HEARING

- A. Announce finalized date/time/place: Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 5pm, Location: George Stevens Community Center
- B. Virtual Public Comment: Yusef Miller (*Timestamp 38:22*) Spoke to the Commission regarding Pretext Stops.
- C. Discussion

X. SAN DIEGO POLICE PROTEST POLICY

- A. Policy Recommendations (*Timestamp 44:31*) Commissioner Brandon Hilpert noted recommendations made by the former Community Review Board, as well as the CPP and the public.
- B. In Person Public Comment: Kate Yavenditti (*Timestamp 45:52*) Spoke on the item of Police Protest Policy.

 Virtual Public Comment: Yusef Miller (*Timestamp 47:17*) Spoke to the Commission

regarding Police Protest Policy.

C. **Motion**: Commissioner Christina Griffin–Jones moved to place this item on the next agenda with the goal to get more community input. Commissioner Bonnie Benitez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 15–3–0.

Yays: Chair Tran, 1st Vice Chair Brown, 2nd Vice Chair Case, Aguilar, Benitez, Beyer, Canson, Chatzky, Diaz, Flores, Griffin-Jones, Harvey, Honoré, Justus, Mendoza, Mulmat, and Rodriguez

Nays: Chair Tran, 2nd Vice Chair Case, Commissioner Hilpert.

Abstained: 0

Excused: Armantrout and Rubio

- D. Discussion
- E. Action Vote on Policy Recommendations to send to SDPD Tabled

XI. COMMISSION TIME REPORTING

- A. Presentation (*Timestamp 1:05:03*) Executive Assistant Alina Conde and Interim Executive Director Danell Scarborough presented on the Better Impact System for recording hours served on the Commission.
- B. Public Comment None
- C. Discussion

XII. CLOSED SESSION (NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

- A. Public Comment None
- B. 1st Vice Chair Dennis Brown Led CPP into Closed Session
- C. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE
 Discussion & Consideration of Complaints & Reports: Pursuant to Government

Code Section 54957 to discuss complaints, charges, investigations, and discipline (unless the employee requests an open public session) involving San Diego Police Department employees, and information deemed confidential under Penal Code Sections 832.5-832.8 and Evidence Code Section 1040. Reportable actions for the Closed Session items on the agenda will be posted on the Commission's website at www.sandiego.gov/cpp or stated at the beginning of the Open Session meeting if the meeting is held on the same day.

- I. San Diego Police Department Feedback on Case Specific Matters
- II. Officer Involved Shooting (0)
- III. Category II Case Audit Reports (0)
- IV. Discipline Reports (1)
- V. Case Review Reports (3)
- VI. Case-Specific Recommendations to the Mayor/Chief (0)
- VII. Referrals to other governmental agencies authorized to investigate activities of a law enforcement agency (0)
- VIII. Legal Opinion(s) Request & Response (o)
- XIII. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION (6:55pm): 1st Vice Chair Dennis Brown reported that there was no reportable action.

(*Timestamp 1:15:50*) Interim Executive Director Danell Scarborough updated the CPP on the Recruitment and Hiring process of the permanent Executive Director. Chair Gloria Tran also informed the Commission of the upcoming Awards and Recognition Ceremony that will be held for former members and commissioners of the CRB and CPP as of 2019. This will be held on June 26th.

XIV. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

- Commission James Justus (*Timestamp 1:25:41*) spoke regarding meetings with the Internal Affairs and SDPD Captain.
- Commissioner Armando Flores (*Timestamp 1:21:57*) shared thanks for the language accommodations made on the CPP website.
- Commissioner Clovis Honoré (*Timestamp 1:28:10*) spoke regarding complaint numbers of the San Diego Police Department with balanced statistics.
- XV. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.