



**COMMISSION ON POLICE PRACTICES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
Wednesday, July 2, 2025**

**St. Paul's Cathedral
2728 Sixth Ave.,
San Diego, CA 92103**

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CPP Commissioners' Present:

Chair Ada Rodriguez

1st Vice Chair Bonnie Benitez

2nd Vice Chair Clovis Honoré

Alec Beyer

Cheryl Canson

Doug Case

Steve Chatzky

Lupe Diaz (arrived at 5:09pm)

Armando Flores

Dwayne Harvey (arrived at 5:13pm & left at
7:31pm)

Dan Lawton

Imani Robinson

Excused:

John Armantrout

Darlanne Mulmat

Absent:

None

CPP Staff Present:

Bart Miesfeld, General Counsel

Aaron Burgess, Policy Manager

Ching-Yun Li, Investigator

Ethan Waterman, Investigator

Alina Conde, Executive Assistant

Jon'Nae McFarland, Complaint Coordinator

Yasmeen Obeid, Community Engagement Coordinator

- I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: Chair Ada Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.
- II. ROLL CALL: Executive Assistant Alina Conde conducted the roll call for the Commission and established quorum.
- III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
 - A. CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2025
 1. **Motion:** Commissioner Doug Case moved for approval of the CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2025. Commissioner Alec Beyer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 8-0-0.
Yeas: 1st Vice Chair Benitez, 2nd Vice Chair Honoré, Beyer, Canson, Case, Chatzky, Lawton, and Robinson
Nays: None
Abstained: None
 - B. CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2025
 1. **Motion:** Commissioner Doug Case moved for approval of the CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2025. Commissioner Alec Beyer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 8-0-0.
Yeas: 1st Vice Chair Benitez, 2nd Vice Chair Honoré, Beyer, Canson, Case, Chatzky, Lawton, and Robinson
Nays: None
Abstained: None
- IV. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

In Person Public Comment: "Tasha Williamson" (*Timestamp 5:19*) – Discusses SDPD denying public records and mentions a request given to the CPP.

In Person Public Comment: "David Rico" (*Timestamp 9:10*) – Discusses missing statements from former CPP Chair Doug Case in the previous CPP meeting.

****Due to initial audio issues on June 18th, not all statements were recorded.**

Virtual Public Comment: "Ilka Weston" (*Timestamp 12:55*) – Addresses the De Arman case.

Virtual Public Comment: "Darwin Fishman" (*Timestamp 16:10*) – Discusses the De Arman case and addresses concerns about the CPP not reviewing its history with the CRB.

Virtual Public Comment: "Paloma Serna" (*Timestamp 19:22*) – Addresses the Commission regarding her daughter's case and the De Arman case.

In Person Public Comment: Patricia De Arman (*Timestamp 22:49*) – Discusses her brother's case (the De Arman case) with the Commission.

Virtual Public Comment: "FilmpeaceofficerLA" (*Timestamp 27:26*) – Raises concerns to the Commission about an SDPD incident.

Virtual Public Comment: "Halima" (*Timestamp 30:54*) – Addresses the Commission regarding the conduct of the San Diego Police Department (SDPD) in public interactions or at local events.
- V. CHAIR REPORT
 - A. Welcome to the Newly appointed Commissioners (*Timestamp 32:46*)
 - Elizabeth Inpyn, Michael Major Jr., Esdras Silva, David Burton
 - There are (6) vacancies left to fill; (1) District 5, (1) District 7, (1) District 8, (1) At-Large, (1) Low-to-Moderate Income, (1) Youth

- B. Report on June 25, 2025 meeting with Chief Wahl (*Timestamp 34:50*)
 - CPP flyers will be available at SDPD Headquarters and stations.
 - Discussed Officer Involved Shootings and access to case materials.
- C. Current Capabilities & Limitations Presentations (*Timestamp 38:33*)
- D. Expectations & Changes Presentation (*Timestamp 47:02*)
- E. Proposal for Community Event (*Timestamp 53:48*)

In Person Public Comment: “Tasha Williamson” (*Timestamp 1:08:24*) – Requests that the CPP maintain transparency with the public regarding complaint updates and the measures being taken to hold SDPD accountable.

Virtual Public Comment: “Paloma Serna” (*Timestamp 1:11:27*) – Discusses collaborating with the community and families affected by police violence.

Virtual Public Comment: “Darwin Fishman” (*Timestamp 1:13:56*) – Urges the Commission to enhance transparency and review historical CPP files to guide future actions.

Virtual Public Comment: “FilmepeaceofficerLA” (*Timestamp 1:17:06*) – hopes for enhanced power of the commission and shares remarks on a specific SDPD incident.

VI. INTERIM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (*Timestamp 1:19:16*)

- Update on Operating Procedures: The Labor Management team in Human Resources is reviewing the procedures, which may take up to one year. Three unions have requested to meet and confer, while three have not. The first meeting to discuss specific issues will be on Wednesday, July 9th.
- Five new appointees of the Commission are currently undergoing background checks and will be sworn in during the first August meeting. They will join the OCPP upon completion of their background checks.

In Person Public Comment: “Tasha Williamson” (*Timestamp 1:23:13*) – Requests more transparency from the CPP to build public trust.

Virtual Public Comment: “FilmepeaceofficerLA” (*Timestamp 1:26:47*) – Addressing the Commission on the need for CPP to intensify efforts against Police corruption

Virtual Public Comment: “Paloma Serna” (*Timestamp 1:28:31*) – Address the Commission on enhancing efforts to address public and family concerns at meetings.

VII. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (*Timestamp 1:29:20*)

A. Issues for future consideration:

1. Police Overtime – Follow-up on Independent City Auditor’s Report: https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/2024-02/2408_performance_audit_sdpd_ot.pdf
2. Procedure for investigating allegations of misconduct involving the SDPD Command staff, Internal Affairs staff, or their family members – referred to Rules Committee
3. SDPD procedures for providing first aid to subjects who have been shot – referred to Rules Committee
4. SDPD investigation of complaints/allegations associated with officer involved shootings and issuance of findings – Commissioner Case will draft language.

B. Potential Presentations for Future Commission meetings

1. SDPD My90 Community Feedback Program
2. SDPD Encrypted Radio Communications
3. IA Complaint Administration and Investigation Procedures
4. SDPD Officer Discipline Procedures
5. Role of POST (California Commission on Police Officer Standards and

Training)

6. Public Disclosure of Drone Surveillance Videos – Art Castañares

In Person Public Comment: “Patricia De Arman” (*Timestamp 1:36:27*) – Spoke about the technical issues from the Policy Committee meeting on June 26th and the meeting minutes from June 18th.

In Person Public Comment: “David Rico” (*Timestamp 1:39:48*) – Speaks about presentations made by SDPD at previous commission meetings.

In Person Public Comment: “Tasha Williamson” (*Timestamp 1:42:56*) – Spoke on incidents involving SDPD officers. Requests for OCPP staff community patrols.

Virtual Public Comment: “Darwin Fishman” (*Timestamp 1:46:21*) – Shares his concerns about the CPP.

VIII. WORKSHOP ON CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AS IT PERTAINS TO REVIEWS OF INVESTIGATIONS (*Timestamp 1:49:50*)

In Person Public Comment: “Tasha Williamson” (*Timestamp 2:17:20*) – Requests more data of how many case investigations have been changed by Internal Affairs at the request of the Commission.

In Person Public Comment: “David Rico” (*Timestamp 2:21:02*) – Speaks about comments made about those who attend and participate in protests.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Completion of six-month pilot of staff-led reviews of IA investigations

1. Proposal – Establish an ad hoc committee to recommend refinement.
(*Timestamp 2:22:50*)

MOTION: Commissioner Alec Beyer moved to establish an ad hoc committee to review the process of case review and proposed recommendations at the first meeting in September. 1st Vice Chair Bonnie Benitez seconded the motion. The motion passed 10-0-1.

Yeas: 1st Vice Chair Benitez, 2nd Vice Chair Honoré, Beyer, Canson, Case, Chatzky, Diaz, Flores, Harvey, and Robinson

Nays: None

Abstained: Lawton

X. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Rules Committee – Committee Chair Bonnie Benitez reported that the Bylaws are continuing to be reviewed. The Committee hopes to bring the Bylaws to the Commission for review by the September meeting. The next committee meeting will be on July 9th at 4:30pm.
- B. Community Outreach Committee – Committee Chair Alec Beyer reported that the committee will continue to work on the master calendar, website review, and voted to have Commissioner Armando Flores the chair of the Ad Hoc Outreach Budget Committee. The next committee meeting will be on July 17th at 6:30pm.
- C. Policy Committee – Committee Chair Imani Robinson reported that the committee holds their meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on July 31st. The committee is planning for the upcoming retreat (polls will be sent out to Commissioners). The Committee is also going over a 3 year plan.
- D. Recruitment Committee – Committee Chair Armando Flores reports that the Committee was unable to meet due to a lack of quorum. The idea was discussed to possibly combine the Recruitment Committee with the Outreach Committee.
- E. Training and Continuing Education Committee – Senior Management Analyst

Jaime Jacinto has assisted this committee with the onboarding process; component one for training and component two for continuing education. Once Commissioner Mulmat returns, the meetings will start up and those items will be further addressed.

XI. AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Personnel Committee

1. Status of Executive Director Search Process – Interim Executive Director Bart Miesfeld reports that the search is still in process. There will be a kick-off meeting on July 9th.

In Person Public Comment: “Tasha Williamson” (*Timestamp 2:40:50*) – Speaks on commissioner and community ride alongs to see firsthand what happens when on patrol.

XII. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT – None

XIII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Chair Ada Rodriguez (*Timestamp 2:44:06*) – Thanks former Chair Doug Case for his work on the Commission and for leading the way for a new cabinet.
- 1st Vice Chair Bonnie Benitez (*Timestamp 2:47:04*) – Addresses some concerns from the Commissioners and Community members regarding timeline.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.