

**COMMISSION ON POLICE PRACTICES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
Wednesday, November 5, 2025**

Balboa Park – Santa Fe Room
2144 Pan American Rd.,
San Diego, CA 92101

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CPP Commissioners' Present:

2nd Vice Chair Clovis Honoré

Alec Beyer

David Burton

Doug Case

Lupe Diaz

Armando Flores (arrived at 5:09pm)

Dwayne Harvey (arrived at 5:14pm)

Elizabeth Inpyn

Kirby Knipp

Dan Lawton

Darlanne Mulmat

Walter Sener

Daniel Torres

Imani Robinson

Excused:

Chair Ada Rodriguez

1st Vice Chair Bonnie Benitez

John Armantrout

Steve Chatzky

Absent:

Cheryl Canson

Michael Major

Chenyang Rickard

CPP Staff Present:

Bart Miesfeld, General Counsel

Olga Golub, Chief Investigator

Aaron Burgess, Policy Manager (Virtual)

Ethan Waterman, Investigator

Ching-Yun Li, Investigator

Alina Conde, Executive Assistant

Jon'Nae McFarland, Complaint Coordinator

Yasmeen Obeid, Community Engagement Coordinator

Luqmaan Bohkary, Volunteer Law Clerk

- I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: 2nd Vice Chair Clovis Honoré called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.
- 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 October 1, 2025

Motion: Commissioner Darlanne Mumat moved for approval of the amended CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2025. Commissioner Elizabeth Inpyn seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-2.
Yeas: Beyer, Burton, Case, Diaz, Inpyn, Lawton, Mulmat, Torres, and Robinson
Nays: None
Abstained: Knipp and Sener
 - B. CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2025

Motion: Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat moved for approval of the amended CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2025. Commissioner Elizabeth Inpyn seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-2.
Yeas: Beyer, Burton, Case, Diaz, Inpyn, Lawton, Mulmat, Torres, and Robinson
Nays: None
Abstained: Knipp and Sener
- IV. NON-AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. CHAIR REPORT – Tabled
 - B. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - a. Executive Committee (Chair Ada Rodriguez) – Tabled
 - b. Rules Committee – Commissioner Dan Lawton gave a presentation of the new proposed Bylaws that will be further discussed during the December 3rd meeting.
 - c. Community Outreach Committee – (*Timestamp 9:55*) Committee Chair Alec Beyer reported that the Outreach Committee met on October 23rd and the next meeting is scheduled for November 12th. The Committee discussed organizing the upcoming Community Roundtable (set for December 8th). They are also working on updating the photo on the website.
 - d. Policy Committee – (*Timestamp 11:33*) Committee Chair Imani Robinson reported that the Policy Committee met on October 23rd and will not meet again until January 22, 2026. The Committee discussed changes to the Policy Conference and the importance of community input. They are also focusing on pretext stops and medical and mental health policies.
 - e. Recruitment Committee – (*Timestamp 14:01*) Committee Chair Doug Case reported that the Recruitment Committee met with Council President’s staff about the city’s process for selecting new commissioners. Next Committee meeting will be on November 12th.
 - f. Training and Continuing Education Committee – (*Timestamp 15:17*) Committee Chair Darlanne Mulmat reported that the Training Committee will meet on December 11th. The Committee gave an update on onboarding new commissioners and training academies. They also have discussed potential training topics like the Police Officer Bill of Rights and reporting requirements.
 - C. INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT (Bart Miesfeld) (*Timestamp 19:09*)

Onboarding New Commissioners:

 - Three new commissioners have been onboarded, bringing the total to 21

commissioners.

- Another round of onboarding is expected soon to reach the full capacity of 25 commissioners.
- Two new commissioners, Kirby Knipp and Walter Jordan Sener, attended their first meeting.

D. CHIEF OF STAFF/POLICY REPORT OUT (Aaron Burgess) - Tabled

V. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

In person Public Comment - Francine Maxwell (*Timestamp 21:34*): Spoke in regards to rumors heard from NACOLE and the Commission on Police Practices. Emphasized the importance of hiring an Executive Director who has managerial and supervisory experience.

VI. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

A. City Auditor's office on the City Auditor's function and process as it relates to auditing the SDPD Internal Affairs (IA) (Carissa Nash) (*Timestamp 28:27*)

Introduction and Purpose:

The City Auditor team explained the purpose of their visit. Which is to gather input on the current performance audit of SDPD's officer misconduct investigations.

Recent Audits: Discussed recent audits, including:

- Overtime Usage (2024): Found excessive overtime among a small number of officers, leading to recommendations for limiting work hours and ensuring breaks. SDPD agreed to implement these recommendations, which have saved nearly \$1 million so far.
- Body-Worn Cameras (2022): Identified that 15-40% of officers did not record required videos. Recommendations included strengthening policies and providing clear public guidance on video release. SDPD agreed to these recommendations.

Current Audit Focus: The current audit aims to determine if misconduct investigations are fair, thorough, and aligned with laws and best practices. It will also review disciplined outcomes.

Stakeholder Input: Emphasized the importance of stakeholder input, including perceptions of how SDPD handles misconduct complaints and the impact on public trust.

Next Steps: The audit report is expected to be published in fall 2026, and the team will return to present the findings.

In person Public Comment - Tasha Williamson (*Timestamp 40:40*): Expressed concerns about the fairness and seriousness of Internal Affairs investigations, citing personal experiences where complaints were not taken seriously and perceived as retaliatory. Highlighted issues with Internal Affairs officers asking complainants about their criminal backgrounds, which she believes is used to discredit the complainants. Mentioned specific instances where Internal Affairs officers, such as Sergeant Rene Murillo, did not take her complaints seriously.

In person Public Comment - Francine Maxwell (*Timestamp 43:38*): Expressed concerns about the comparison of San Diego with other cities like Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Jose, fearing it might make San Diego appear better than it is. Highlighted the need for accountability and transparency within the San Diego Police Department. Mentioned the case of an SDPD Officer and the ongoing issues with internal investigations and discipline.

Virtual Public Comment - Darwin Fishman (*Timestamp 47:08*): Darwin emphasized that the issues being raised by the community now are similar to those he encountered during his time on the CRB in 2016-2017, indicating a lack of progress. Mentioned that

the feedback from the community reflects ongoing issues with trust and accountability in the SDPD and the CPP's role in addressing these concerns.

Virtual Public Comment – **Patricia De Arman** (*Timestamp 50:23*): Mentioned discrepancies in the reports and investigations related to her brother's case, including issues with the medical examiner's reports and the conduct of the officers involved. She called for a thorough audit and review of Internal Affairs investigations.

- B. Complaint and Case Process Presentation (Chief Investigator Olga Golub) (*Timestamp 50:23*) This presentation provided a detailed overview of the complaint and case review processes.

In person Public Comment – **Tasha Williamson** (*Timestamp 1:30:30*): Highlighted the need for transparency in cases where officers have multiple complaints against them and are considered high-risk.

In person Public Comment – **Francine Maxwell** (*Timestamp 1:33:16*): Noted that as a third-party complainant, she has not received any follow-up information from the CPP or SDPD. Emphasized the importance of the CPP remaining independent and making public any mandated disclosures.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval of the new Bylaws – (*Timestamp 1:44:39*) The new bylaws were presented by Commissioner Dan Lawton, but the statutory requirement of having them in possession for at least 10 days before a vote was not met. Therefore, no vote was taken during this meeting. The new bylaws aim to improve the structure and functionality of the Commission, with a focus on clarity and alignment with existing regulations. The next meeting will provide an opportunity for further discussion and potential amendments.

In person Public Comment – **Tasha Williamson** (*Timestamp 2:05:47*): Emphasized the need for better audio-visual support during meetings to ensure transparency and effective communication.

VIII. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT –

In person Public Comment – **Tasha Williamson** (*Timestamp 2:06:04*): Called for Chief Wahl to step down, citing multiple legal actions against the department and the city due to alleged wrongdoings under his leadership. Criticized the expenditures of Chief Wahl, including unnecessary luxury items, and emphasized the need for an audit of his spending.

Virtual Public Comment – **Yusef Miller** (*Timestamp 2:08:55*): Emphasized the importance of forwarding in-custody death cases to the POST Commission. Suggested inviting the POST Commission to present to the Commission on Police Practices to improve transparency and accountability. Highlighted the need for tracking the submission of these cases to ensure they reach the POST Commission.

Virtual Public Comment – **Patricia De Arman** (*Timestamp 2:12:15*): Highlighted the lack of accountability and transparency, stating that the CPP has not provided any meaningful support or resolution for her family. She expressed a sense of discouragement and questioned the effectiveness and independence of the CPP.

Virtual Public Comment – **Darwin Fishman** (*Timestamp 2:14:10*): Raised concerns about who benefits if the CPP is ineffective, implying that without proper civilian oversight, there are no checks and balances for the police. Called for the CPP to ensure that it is fulfilling its role as an independent body investigating cases and holding the police accountable. He pointed out that the lack of more families and community members sharing their stories at the meeting suggests a fundamental problem with the CPP's effectiveness and community engagement. Darwin suggested that the CPP needs to clearly communicate its limitations and the barriers it faces to the community to avoid the

perception of being ineffective.

IX. CLOSED SESSION (NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

A. Public Comment

In person Public Comment – **Tasha Williamson** (*Timestamp 2:18:24*): Urged the CPP to ensure that mandated disclosures are made public and to maintain independence from the SDPD. Suggested that the CPP should meet with the POST Commission and the Civil Grand Jury to leverage their support in holding officers accountable.

B. Interim Executive Director/General Counsel 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 832.5832.8 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.

1. SDPD Feedback on Case-Specific Matters - None
2. Review of Internal Affairs Investigations
 - a. Case 2025-0012 (CATI)
 - b. Case 2025-0064 (CATI)
3. Discipline Memos - None

X. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION- (General Counsel Bart Miesfeld) Interim Executive Director Bart Miesfeld reported that there was no reportable action.

XI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS - None

XII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.