



**COMMISSION ON POLICE PRACTICES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
Wednesday, December 3, 2025**

St. Paul's Cathedral - Guild Room
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

David Burton

Doug Case

Steve Chatzky

Lupe Diaz (arrived at 5:12pm)

Dwayne Harvey

Elizabeth Inpyn

Dan Lawton

Darlanne Mulmat

Imani Robinson

Walter Sener

Excused:

John Armantrout

Kirby Knipp

Daniel Torres

Absent:

Cheryl Canson

Armando Flores

Michael Major

Chenyang Rickard

Alec Beyer

CPP Staff Present:

Bart Miesfeld, General Counsel

Olga Golub, Chief Investigator

Aaron Burgess, Chief of Staff/Policy Manager (Virtual)

Ethan Waterman, Investigator

Ching-Yun Li, Investigator (Virtual)

Alina Conde, Executive Assistant

Jon'Nae McFarland, Complaint Coordinator

Yasmeen Obeid, Community Engagement Coordinator

Luqmaan Bohkary, Volunteer Law Clerk

- I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: Chair Ada Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.
- 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 November 5, 2025

Motion: Commissioner Darlanne Mumat moved for approval of the CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of November 5, 2025. Commissioner Dan Lawton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-0.
Yeas: Benitez, Honoré, Burton, Case, Chatzky, Harvey, Inpy, Lawton, Mulmat, Robinson, and Sener
Nays: None
Abstained: None
 - B. CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2025

Motion: Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat moved for approval of the amended CPP Regular Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2025. Commissioner Dan Lawton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-0.
Yeas: Benitez, Honoré, Burton, Case, Chatzky, Harvey, Inpy, Lawton, Mulmat, Robinson, and Sener
Nays: None
Abstained: None

NON-AGENDA ITEMS

NON-AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS FROM CHAIR, INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CHIEF OF STAFF, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

Communications of the Chair (Chair Ada Rodriguez)

(Timestamp 9:56)

1. Holiday Season Acknowledgment:

Chair Ada Rodriguez acknowledged the holiday season and wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

2. Community Outreach:

Mentioned the Community Outreach committee's round table event on December 8th at the Malcolm X Library.

3. Year in Review:

Reflected on the year's challenges and successes, including nearly doubling the number of investigations reviewed and the acceptance of 12 out of 15 recommendations by the SDPD.

4. Staff and Leadership Updates:

Announced the selection of a permanent Interim Executive Director Bart Miesfeld and ongoing efforts to achieve full employment.

5. Youth Representative Recruitment:

Discussed the resignation of a youth representative and the need to recruit new youth members. Proposed the Recruitment Committee develop a presentation to attract youth applicants.

6. Looking Ahead to 2026:

Highlighted the Policy Committee's strategic agenda for the next three years and the focus on critical policy areas.

7. Final Remarks:

Expressed gratitude for the commissioners' dedication and looked forward to implementing strategic changes in 2026.

Communications of the Interim Executive Director (Bart Miesfeld)

(Timestamp 16:53)

1. End of Year Statistics:

The Interim Executive Director Bart Miesfeld mentioned the importance of evaluating statistics from the past six months and requested staff to provide trends and ideas at the January meeting.

2. Community and Internship Program Report:

The Director of Community Outreach and Internship Programs Yasmeen Obeid provided a quarterly report on Community Outreach efforts, including reaching out to over 200 groups and completing 53 presentations.

3. Upcoming Events:

Highlighted upcoming community events in December and requested volunteers for these events.

4. Internship and Volunteer Opportunities:

Encouraged anyone interested in becoming part of the CPP as an intern or volunteer to visit the website.

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.

Communications from the Director of Community Engagement (Yasmeen Obeid)

(Timestamp 17:37)

1. Quarterly Report:

Provided a quarterly report on community outreach efforts, mentioning that the office reached out to over 200 groups and completed 53 presentations.

2. Upcoming Events:

Highlighted upcoming community events in December, including the Winter Extravaganza on December 13th and the Mid-City CAN Winter Celebration on December 14th, and requested volunteers for these events.

3. Volunteer and Internship Opportunities:

Encouraged anyone interested in becoming part of the CPP as an intern or volunteer to visit the website.

4. Recognition of Intern:

Appreciated the work of CPP Intern Kelsey Gans, who contributed significantly to community outreach efforts.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT – None

NON-AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES – EXECUTIVE (Chair Rodriguez), RULES (1ST Vice Chair Benitez), COMMUNITY OUTREACH (Community Engagement Coordinator Obeid), POLICY (Commissioner Robinson), RECRUITMENT (Commissioner Case), TRAINING (Commissioner Mulmat)

- Executive Committee (Chair Ada Rodriguez) – Next meeting will be on December 10th.
- Rules Committee – No committee report.
- Community Outreach Committee – Community Roundtable on December 8th at the Malcolm X Library. Volunteers requested for upcoming events on December 13th and 14th.
- Policy Committee – No committee report.
- Recruitment Committee – Next meeting will be on December 4th. The Committee will approve the procedure for recruiting and nominating members.
- Training and Continuing Education Committee – Next meeting will be on December 11th.

IV. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT – None

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of the new Bylaws - *(Timestamp 1:44:39)*

Motion: Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat moved for approval of the amended Bylaws of the Commission on Police Practices. Commissioner Dan Lawton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 12-0-0.

Yeas: Benitez, Honoré, Burton, Case, Diaz, Chatzky, Harvey, Inpy, Lawton, Mulmat, Robinson, and Sener

Nays: None

Abstained: None

An amendment was proposed to include references to the National Code of Ethics, the Commission's adopted conflict of interest code, and the City of San Diego's code of conduct for boards and commissions.

Virtual Public Comment - *(Timestamp 45:50)* Darwin Fishman raised concerns about the new bylaws and their alignment with Measure B. He emphasized the need for transparency and community trust, questioning how the bylaws fit with the meet and confer process and the overall vision of civilian oversight that was voted for. He suggested providing regular updates to the community to reassure them about the progress and implementation of the new oversight system.

B. January-June 2025 Semi-Annual Proposed Report (CPP Investigator Waterman) *(Timestamp 1:05:17)*

Motion: Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat moved for approval of the amended January to June 2025 Semi-Annual Report of the Commission on Police Practices.

Commissioner Dan Lawton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-0.

Yeas: Benitez, Honoré, Burton, Case, Diaz, Chatzky, Harvey, Inpy, Lawton, Mulmat, Robinson, and Sener

Nays: None

Abstained: None

C. 2026 Commission on Police Practices Meetings Calendar (Chair Rodriguez) *(Timestamp 1:24:19)*

Motion: Commissioner Imani Robinson moved to find other locations in all nine districts to add to the 2026 CPP Meetings Calendar. Commissioner Elizabeth Inpy seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 6-5-1.

Yeas: Burton, Chatzky, Harvey, Inpy, Robinson, and Sener

Nays: Benitez, Case, Honoré, Lawton, and Mulmat

Abstained: Diaz

Motion: Commissioner Imani Robinson moved for approval of the 2026 CPP Meetings Calendar and also look for other locations in the nine districts. Commissioner Elizabeth Inpy seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-0.

Yeas: Benitez, Honoré, Burton, Case, Diaz, Chatzky, Harvey, Inpy, Lawton, Mulmat, Robinson, and Sener

Nays: None

Abstained: None

D. PC 148.6(a) Admonishment on Complaint Forms (Outside Counsel Miesfeld) *(Timestamp 1:24:55)*

Motion: Commissioner Dan Lawton moved for approval of the amended Bylaws of the Commission on Police Practices. Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-0.

Yeas: Benitez, Honoré, Burton, Case, Chatzky, Diaz, Harvey, Inpy, Lawton, Mulmat, Robinson, and Sener

Nays: None

Abstained: None

VI. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

In person Public Comment – **Arturo Ramos** (*Timestamp 1:32:57*): Mr. Ramos expressed frustration with the treatment they received from security guards and the lack of support from the Commission. They shared their experience of being assaulted by the police and the challenges faced in filing a complaint.

NON AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMISSIONER COMMENTS –

(*Timestamp 1:26:15*) 1st Vice Chair Bonnie Benitez thanks Chair Ada Rodriguez for the work she has done over the last nine months.

VII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.