

Commission on Police Practices

**COMMISSION ON POLICE PRACTICES
EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 24, 2026
4:30pm-6:00pm**

**Procopio Tower
17th Floor, Suite 1725
San Diego, CA 92101**

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CPP Committee Members Present:

Chair Ada Rodriguez
1st Vice Chair Bonnie Benitez
2nd Vice Chair Clovis Honoré
Doug Case
Darlanne Mulmat
Imani Robinson

CPP Commissioners Also Present:

David Burton

Excused:

None

Absent:

Armando Flores

CPP Staff Present:

Roger Smith, Executive Director
Alina Conde, Executive Assistant
Ching-Yun Li, CPP Investigator (Virtual)

- I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: Chair Ada Rodriguez 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.
- III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 27, 2026 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MOTION: 2nd Vice Chair Clovis Honoré moved to accept the amended May 27th, 2026 Executive Standing Committee Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat seconded the motion. The vote passed 6-0-0.
Yeas: Benitez, Case, Honoré, Mulmat, Robinson, Rodriguez
Nays: None
Abstention: None
- IV. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT
❖ (Virtual) Dave De Arman (**Timestamp 1:41:21**)
- V. NON AGENDA COMMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ROGER SMITH (**Timestamp 3:39**)
 - The General Counsel job posting will close soon, with interviews to follow and coordination with human resources scheduled.
 - The meet and confer process is reaching a critical stage, with finalized operating procedures language set to go to the city council in closed session, followed by briefings for council members and then union meetings, especially with the Police Officers Association, which are expected to be pivotal for enabling commission investigations.
- VI. NON AGENDA COMMENTS FROM CHAIR ADA RODRIGUEZ (**Timestamp 7:21**)
 - The Chair expressed gratitude to the team for their support over the past year, noting improvements in internal processes and overall performance, and stated their continued availability of assistance after stepping down as chair.
 - The Chair acknowledged the challenges faced during the year and thanked everyone for making their role easier.
- VII. DISCUSSION
 - A. Pretext
 1. Public Comment
 - ❖ (Virtual) Patricia De Arman (**Timestamp 11:00**)
 - ❖ (Virtual) Dave De Arman (**Timestamp 14:22**)
 2. Discussion (**Timestamp 22:47**)
 - The Executive Committee discussed the need for more specific, actionable, and verifiable recommendations regarding pretext stops, rather than vague directives like "limit" which are hard to measure and enforce.
 - The importance of defining "pretext stop" was emphasized, distinguishing between stops where the stated reason is genuinely addressed versus those where it is not.
 - The Executive Committee considered referencing Los Angeles's ordinance as a model for strengthening their own recommendations.
 - Specific examples were discussed, such as window tint stops, and the need for officers to have proper equipment to measure violations if they are to issue citations. The conversation included the impact of extended stop

durations, field interviews, and the risk of escalation, especially for minorities, and how procedural justice practices could help reduce bias.

B. The California Story Documentation

1. Public Comment

❖ (Virtual) Patricia De Arman (**Timestamp 1:00:04**)

2. Discussion (**Timestamp 1:01:58**)

- The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of sponsoring or co-sponsoring a screening but agreed that staff and commissioners should review the film first to ensure appropriateness and alignment with the commission's mission.

3. **Motion**: Commissioner Doug Case moved to refer the California Story Documentation to the Outreach Standing Committee. Commissioner Darlanne Mulmat Seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 6-0-0.

Yeas: Benitez, Case, Honoré, Mulmat, Robinson, Rodriguez

Nays: None

Abstention: None

C. Commissioner's Involvement

1. Public Comment - None

2. Discussion (**Timestamp 1:10:20**)

- 1st Vice Chair Bonnie Benitez emphasized the importance of commissioners actively participating beyond just attending business meetings, urging leadership to encourage greater engagement in committees and commission work.
- The goal is to ensure commissioners contribute meaningfully to benefit the community, the commission, and themselves, with plans to address this topic in future meetings and during onboarding of new recruits.

D. Chief Meeting Debrief

1. Public Comment - None

2. Discussion - (**Timestamp 1:13:58**)

- Chief Investigator Olga Golub and Executive Director Roger Smith summarized the June 10th meeting with the SDPD Chief Wahl, covering several key topics:
 - Agreement that Internal Affairs (IA) will provide all requested evidence to commission case review groups, as long as legally permissible.
 - The commission requested written justification for not receiving these cases; the department cited ongoing litigation as the reason for withholding further written response.
 - Clarification was provided on classification and investigation of internal complaints, with most handled by IA and only a few by area commands.
 - The department is aware of SBI practices and is working to incorporate them into administrative interviews, though further technical discussions are planned.
 - Discussed the legal and procedural rationale for not receiving certain cases, noting that the commission's authority is currently limited by interim operating procedures until the meet and confer process is completed.

E. Civil Grand Jury Report

1. Public Comment - None

2. Discussion (**Timestamp 1:27:04**)

- Expressed satisfaction with the intentions of the report but noted issues with its timing and accuracy, such as recommending hiring an executive director after the process was completed.

- Concerns were raised about the report's methodology, including lack of interviews with current staff and findings not fully supported by listed facts.
- The report's recommendations to the city council and mayor were considered outdated or already addressed, reducing their impact.
- The group agreed the report was well-intentioned but released too late to be helpful and emphasized the importance of ensuring future recommendations are timely and well-supported.

VIII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Recruitment Committee (**Timestamp 1:36:47**) Committee Chair Doug Case reported that the letter with commission nominations will be sent to the City Council this week. One nominee withdrew due to a new job, so only remaining nominees are included. City Council is expected to consider new nominees and possibly reappointments on July 13th, but this date is not confirmed. Current commissioners will continue until successors are chosen or reappointed.
- B. Outreach Committee - Tabled
- C. Training Committee (**Timestamp 1:21:07**) Committee Chair Darlanne Mulmat reported that community tours are being rebranded. Tours with community-based organizations are planned to start in July; details will be shared via email. Training progress is on track, and updates are available on Google Drive. Suggestions for additional training topics are encouraged. Next meeting date is to be determined, based on need.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS - None

Action Items:

- **Pretext Stop Policy Recommendations** - Policy committee to refine recommendations for specificity and measurability, including reviewing Los Angeles ordinance language and consulting experts.
- **California Story Documentary Screening** - Outreach committee to evaluate the possibility and advisability of sponsoring/co-sponsoring a screening, including researching costs and logistics.
- **Commissioner Engagement** - Leadership to encourage commissioners' active involvement in committees and commission work, with ongoing reminders and onboarding emphasis.
- **Chief Meeting Follow-up** - Staff to request written rationale from the department regarding access to internal complaints, clarifying legal and procedural limitations.

X. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, July 15, 2026

XI. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:16pm.