

## CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES

### MINUTES

Tuesday, May 24, 2016  
Cherokee Point Elementary School  
3735 38<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Diego, CA 92105  
**6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

#### **Members Present:**

Lisa Sorce, Chair	Brandon Hilpert	Pauline Theodore
William Beck, 1st Vice-Chair	Thomas Lincoln	Nancy Vaughn
Douglas Case, 2nd Vice-Chair	Charlene McAdory	Martin Workman
Joe Craver	Mary O'Tousa	Kathy Vandenheuvel
Diana Dent	Ernestine Smith	
Godwin Higa		

#### **Members Absent:**

Taura Gentry  
Pieter O'Leary  
Larry McMinn

#### **Prospective Members**

##### **Present:**

Dr. Maria Nieto-Senour  
Dick Stanford

#### **Staff Present:**

Sharmaine Moseley, Executive Director, CRB  
William Gersten, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office  
David Ramirez, Executive Assistant Chief, San Diego Police Department  
Chris McGrath, Captain, San Diego Police Department  
Marshall White, Lieutenant, San Diego Police Department  
Mike Holden, Lieutenant, San Diego Police Department  
Angelica Navarro-Moran, Detective, Internal Affairs, San Diego Police Department  
Denise Sandoval, Complaint Coordinator/Executive Assistant, CRB

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- I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.
  - II. PURPOSE OF THE CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES: The Purpose of the Board will be discussed during the presentation by Lisa Sorce, Chair.

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- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The CRB Open Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2016 were approved unanimously as amended.

*Motion by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair William Beck and second by Joe Craver to approve the minutes as amended to include the motion to elect passed by unanimous consent by Board Member Nancy Vaughn.*

- IV. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (speaker slip required): It was noted that no speaker slips were submitted.

V. PRESENTATION:

A. "Everything You Want to Know About the Citizens' Review Board on Police Practices (CRB)" - CRB Chair Lisa Sorce

- Overview of the CRB's Evolution
- Different Models of Oversight
- Discussed What CRB Does
- The Complaint Process
- Types of Findings
- Overview of Case Review and Report Writing
- CRB Process Improvements and Upcoming Improvements
- CRB's Objectives
- CRB's Strategic Initiatives

B. "Release of Officer-Involved Shooting Video" – District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis

- District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis gave a brief overview of the intent by her office and other law enforcement agencies plan to release officer involved shooting videos. She explained the reasoning and thoughts that went into this very important decision. She gave information regarding the process that her office takes in an investigation of an officer involved shooting and all of the different agencies that are involved. She took brief questions from the Board and the Public in attendance.
- September 1, 2016 the new DA's Citizens' Academy, to learn more about the District Attorney's Office.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

A. Continuing Education Committee – Chair Charlene McAdory

- Upcoming Education Topics/Guest Speakers
  - Chief Shelley Zimmerman/ June
  - SDPD Detective Rick Fox, SDPD Officer Recruitment / July

B. Outreach Committee – Co-Chairs Taura Gentry & Ernestine Smith

- North Park Street Fair Booth

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- Brandon Hilpert reported that the booth was staffed from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm by various Board members. He mentioned that there were not many inquiries. Those who had questions were explained the process and given complaint forms.
  - Charlene McAdory added that she noticed a lack of handout materials and signage for our booth and would like to recommend that we look into purchasing a banner/tablecloth, brochures, and that we have a full day booth and not 1/2 a day.
  - Brandon Hilpert also reiterated that CRB shirts would be nice for these types of events.
  - Kathy Vandenhueval mentioned that the Golden Hill Farmers Market allows community groups to have a booth for free, maybe the Outreach Committee can look into that.
- C. Rules Committee – Chair Doug Case
- Committee Chair Doug Case reported that the Rules Committee has invited the Police Department and the City Attorney to their next meeting to discuss several issues. The Committee will meet either June 3<sup>rd</sup> or June 13<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Policy Committee – Chair Joe Craver
- Committee Chair Joe Craver reported that the Policy Committee has 3 topics that it is currently working on. Those topics are as follows:
    - Medical Health Issues – Committee Chair Craver reported that the Committee should have a recommendation to bring forth at the next meeting to resolve the matter.
    - Independent Legal Counsel – Committee Chair Craver reported that the Committee's decision is pending the outcome of the City Budget Hearings to see if they set aside funding for the use of Independent Legal Counsel. He stated that he is confident that based on the outcome of the Budget Hearings they can bring forth a recommendation at the next meeting to resolve this matter.
    - Monitoring Subjects in Patrol Vehicles – Committee Chair Craver reported that the Committee is still gathering information on this item.
  - Committee Chair Craver further reported that the Committee has received 2 new policy issues for review. Those 2 items will be discussed at the Committee's next meeting.
- E. Recruitment & Retention Committee – Chair William Beck
- Candidate(s) Update – Still pending Mayor's Office appointment
  - Current Prospective Members are working on assigned teams
  - Prospective Member Ride-Along Debrief
    - Dick Stanford
    - Dr. Mary Nieto-Senour

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### F. Nominating Committee – Chair Pieter O’Leary/Kathy Vandenheuvel

- Kathy Vandenheuvel presented the nominees for 2016–2017 CRB Officers. She stated that the Committee thought that the current officers were doing a fantastic job.
  - **Lisa Sorce for Chair**
  - **William Beck for First Vice Chair**
  - **Joe Craver for Second Vice Chair**
- Chair, Lisa Sorce reported that at its June open meeting, the Board will take nominations from the floor for all 3 of the positions.

### VII. CHAIR’S REPORT (Lisa Sorce)

- Summary of Meeting with SDPD on May 13, 2016
  - Refrain from Conducting Investigations
  - Communicating with Internal Affairs
  - Flexible Hours
  - SDPD Agency Specific for New Officers – CRB Presentation August 23<sup>rd</sup>
- CRB Work Plan

### VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT (Sharmaine Moseley)

#### A. CRB Caseload Update

- As of yesterday, the CRB teams had a total of 15 cases currently assigned. Out of the 15 cases that were assigned, two cases were on tonight’s agenda for review.
- For FY 2016, the CRB reviewed and closed a total of 75 cases.
- Community Events/Forums – Encouraged the Board to continue sharing with others what the CRB does and all the work that it takes to ensure that those who file complaints are given a fair and thorough review. Those members who are not on the Outreach Committee are encouraged to help spread the word as well.

#### Previous Community Events/Meetings

- North Park Festival
- NAACP General Meeting & CAST Meetings
- Presentation to Del Cerro Community
- FBI Academy (Completed)
- Town Hall Meetings – Release of Officer-Involved Shooting Videos
- Black Women United
- Black Men United
- Refugee Forum Advocacy Taskforce
- Harvey Milk Breakfast

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- Peoples Assembly – District 4
- Upcoming Outreach Efforts
  - SD African Cultural Festival
  - Refugee Forum Advocacy Taskforce
  - Town Hall Meeting on Debunking Anti-Islam Myths  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> at 4pm –Malcolm X Library
  - Earl Gilliam Bar Association – “What to do if Stopped By the Police  
June 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:45pm –Malcolm X Library
  
- B. Educational Opportunity Forms – Reminder that Educational Forms for this quarter were due last month and are still being collected.
  
- C. CRB Board Member Reappointments/Appointments – Correspondence sent to the Mayor’s Office regarding new prospectives. An intent form will be sent to current members to fill out and return to office.
  
- D. PERT Academy Training – The last PERT Academy Training will take place June 14-16.
  
- E. CRB Website – Status of Online Complaint Form Electronic Submittal & CRB Calendar – Going LIVE on Friday, May 27, 2016!
  
- F. San Diego Unity Games – June 25, 2016 9am – 2pm
  
- IX. SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT (Executive Assistant Chief Ramirez)  
Chief Ramirez stated that he had nothing to report
  
- X. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT (William Gersten) – Mr. Gersten stated that he had nothing new to report.
  
- XI. OLD BUSINESS (DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM) – Tabled
  - A. Operational Standing rules
  
- XII. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS – Tabled
  
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

### Materials Provided

- Minutes from CRB Open Session Meeting of April 26, 2016
- CRB Strategic Planning Analysis