



**Regular Meeting
Community Police Oversight Commission
Thursday, September 1, 2022
6:00 P.M.
Via Teleconference**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Alexis Abernethy, Florence Annang, Phillip Argento, Noemi Emeric-Ford, Esprit Loren Jones, Lawrence Lurvey (joined at 6:50 PM), Donald Matthews, Barbara Stacy, Paula Verrette, Vice Chair Juliana Serrano, Chair Raúl Ibáñez

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Amanda Fowler, Frankie Gudiel, Deputy Chief Art Chute

Others Present: Christine Diaz-Herrera, Richard Rosenthal

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ibáñez called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Staff (Gudiel) called the roll, and a quorum was established for the Commission.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

The following individual(s) provided public comment on items not on the agenda:

- None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 4, 2022 REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Argento moved, seconded by Commissioner Matthews, to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2022 regular meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Abernethy	x			
Annang	x			
Argento	x			
Emeric-Ford	x			
Jones	x			
Lurvey			x	
Matthews	x			
Stacy	x			
Verrette	x			

Vice Chair Serrano	x			
Chair Ibáñez	x			

The following individual(s) provided public comment on this agenda item:

- None

5. STAFF ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Staff (Fowler) gave an update on the following matters:

- **2022 National Association For Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement Conference (NACOLE)**
Staff (Fowler) reminded the Commission that she and Commissioner Emeric-Ford are attending the 2022 NACOLE conference this month.
- **Special Meetings**
Staff is working with the Commission on scheduling special meetings focused on the history of Pasadena and trauma-informed care with Gary Moody and K-Rahn Vallatine for the near future.

The following individual(s) provided public comment on this agenda item:

- None

6. IPA INFORMATIONAL REPORT AND STATUS UPDATE

Independent Police Auditor (IPA) Richard Rosenthal gave a status update on his work this month, which included working with the Police Department and staff (Fowler) to update the Spanish complaint/compliment form on the Police Department's website, and meeting with their Use of Force Board and Command Staff to discuss modifications to their case review process. He is also looking to modify the Police Department's administrative review process for officer-involved shootings and recommended changes in language to the Department's Body Worn Camera policy.

After the update, IPA Rosenthal answered questions and gave further insight on the topics discussed above.

The following individual(s) provided public comment on this agenda item:

- None

NEW BUSINESS

Information/Discussion Items

7. PRESENTATION BY AND DISCUSSION WITH BRIAN WILLIAMS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES COUNTY CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Executive Director Brian Williams gave a presentation on Los Angeles County's Civilian Oversight Commission (COC). In his presentation, Mr. Williams gave an overview of their powers, staffing, procedures, processes, transparency, and

challenges within the COC. He gave further insight on how the COC helps provide the community a platform to voice their concerns, advised the Commission on navigating issues that come with being a newly established commission, and answered the Commission's questions.

Commissioner Lurvey joined the meeting at 6:50 PM.

After the presentation, the Commission thanked and commended Executive Director Williams for taking the time to speak to them and sharing his experience and expertise.

The following individual(s) provided public comment on this agenda item:

- Heavenly Hughes, Pasadena Resident

9. REVIEW OF AND INPUT ON PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDED USE OF FORCE POLICY CHANGES AND CPOC AD HOC COMMITTEE'S SUGGESTED REVISIONS

Chair Ibáñez announced that we would take Agenda Item 9 out of order and return to Item 8 at its conclusion.

IPA Richard Rosenthal went through the recommended draft changes to the Use of Force (UOF) Policy being proposed by the Pasadena Police Department, and the further edits/additions being recommended by the UOF Policy ad hoc committee after their in-depth review.

During discussion, IPA Rosenthal and Deputy Art Chute answered the Commission's questions, noted their suggestions, and gave further context into the policy. IPA Rosenthal explained to the Commission on behalf of the ad hoc committee that these recommendations are only a first step, and that the ad hoc committee would continue making broader recommendations on the policy throughout the year. Commissioner Annang stated for the record that she would like to continue the discussion of Section 300.4.1, Shooting at or From Moving Vehicles, at a future meeting.

The following individual(s) provided public comment on this agenda item:

- Heavenly Hughes, Pasadena Resident

Chair Ibáñez recessed the meeting at 8:28 PM for a short break. The meeting resumed at 8:34 PM.

8. DISCUSSION OF POLICE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATED TO AUGUST 14, 2022 INCIDENT AT SAN RAFAEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The Commission reviewed the body-worn camera video from the incident on August 14 at San Rafael Elementary School.

During discussion, Deputy Chief Chute answered the Commission's questions about the policies and procedures related to the incident and how they respond to calls like this, gave his perspective and analysis of the incident at San Rafael

Elementary, and explained how the School District and PPD plan to better communicate going forward. The Commission voiced their concerns, opinions, and perspectives, expressed a need for police to understand the trauma of such an event on those involved, and offered suggestions for lessons learned from the incident at San Rafael Elementary. The Commission asked the PPD to look into the ability to capture caller information on non-emergency lines, and agreed with Deputy Chief Chute that the PPD should have done a better job securing the perimeter of the school.

All written correspondence was distributed to the Commission and posted on the Commission’s website prior to the meeting. The following individual(s) provided verbal public comment on this agenda item:

- Sonja Berndt, Pasadena Resident
- Liliana Coronado, Pasadena Resident
- Bonnie Skolnik, Pasadena Resident
- James Maddox, Pasadena Resident
- Heavenly Hughes, Pasadena Resident
- David Llanez, Pasadena Police Officer

Chair Ibáñez stated for the record that as a full-time educator who works in and out of the district, an overwhelming majority of people do not want a police presence in public schools.

Deputy Chief Chute announced that he will be on vacation next month and will not be available to attend the October 6, 2022, meeting.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

Action Item

10. APPROVAL OF COMMISSION WORK PLAN UPDATES AND DISCUSSION

Chair Ibáñez moved, seconded by Vice Chair Serrano, to approve the work plan updates. The motion passed by the following vote:

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Abernethy	x			
Annang	x			
Argento	x			
Emeric-Ford	x			
Jones	x			
Lurvey	x			
Matthews	x			
Stacy	x			
Verrette	x			
Vice Chair Serrano	x			
Chair Ibáñez	x			

The following individual(s) provided public comment on this agenda item:

- None

11. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS AND NEXT MEETING – OCTOBER 6, 2022

After discussion, Staff (Fowler) announced that the following items would be planned and looked into for future meetings:

- Update by IPA Rosenthal on the Police Department’s administrative review process
- Further discussions on the Use of Force Policy
- Update from Commissioner Emeric-Ford about her experience at this year’s NACOLE conference
- A conversation with the new City Manager, Miguel Márquez

Commissioner Annang requested a presentation on the City’s violence intervention programs. Staff (Fowler) informed the Commission that conversations with the Chair and Vice Chair are ongoing to see when it could be appropriate since they are not PPD programs.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ibáñez adjourned the meeting at 10:13 PM.



Raúl Ibáñez
Community Police Oversight Commission Chair

ATTEST:



Frankie Gudiel
Recording Secretary