



**Regular Meeting
Community Police Oversight Commission
Thursday, July 6, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

**Council Chambers, Pasadena City Hall
100 North Garfield Avenue, Room S249, Pasadena, CA 91101**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Alexis Abernethy, Florence Annang, Noemi Emeric-Ford, Esprit Loren Jones, Donald Matthews, Barbara Stacy, Paula Verrette, Vice Chair Juliana Serrano, Chair Raúl Ibáñez

Commissioners Absent: Phillip Argento, Lawrence Lurvey

Staff Present: Frankie Gudiel

Others Present: Richard Rosenthal (Independent Police Auditor) and Anthony R. Taylor (Outside Counsel for the CPOC)

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:

- Adriana Bautista

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 18, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING AND JUNE 01, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

Commissioner Verrette moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2023, special meeting and June 01, 2023, 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 (Gudiel) gave an update on the following matters:

- **Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC) Reappointments**
City Council reappointed Commissioner Argento on June 5, 2023, and Commissioner Matthews on June 12, 2023, for an additional term from July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026.
- **2023 National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (NACOLE) Conference**
This year’s NACOLE conference will occur in Chicago, Illinois, from November 12th – 16th. Two members from the Commission may attend and were asked to email Staff (Gudiel) if they are interested in attending.

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, including following up on the recommendations from reports from the OIR group, the National Police Foundation (NPF), and himself by creating a draft recommendation tracker with the Police Department. He also gave an overview of the process for IA investigations, his itinerary for his upcoming site visit in July, and a summary of his upcoming work.

After the presentation, IPA Rosenthal answered the Commission’s questions regarding the methodology on pretext stops, along with Chair Ibáñez, they gave their thoughts on the Council meeting they attended and gave further insight regarding the topics discussed within his presentation.

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

- Adriana Bautista
- James Maddox

NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

7. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT OF INDEPENDENT POLICE AUDITOR (IPA) RICHARD ROSENTHAL

During discussion, Chair Ibáñez introduced the item and gave further clarification on the item with assistance from Outside Counsel (OC) Anthony Taylor to clarify that the item is meant to be more like a performance review of IPA Richard Rosenthal and not a request by the CPOC related to the compensation of the IPA because that is approved by the City Council in its discretion. The Commissioners gave positive feedback noting IPA Rosenthal’s knowledge, work ethic, and experience in the field. The Commission also addressed their concern about collaborating more with IPA Rosenthal in future projects and learning more about the City of Pasadena.

Vice Chair Serrano moved, seconded by Commissioner Matthews, to approve the recommendation. 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:

- Adriana Bautista

8. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COMMISSION REPORT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR FY 2022-23

During discussion, the Commission provided updates regarding their work, meetings, recommendations, accomplishments, and challenges during the year within their respective ad hoc committees. The Commission instructed staff to modify the report to include recommendations proposed for objective three (3), reflect the accomplishments made by the Commission, and create a dashboard for the Commission. Staff will work with Outside Counsel Taylor to make the changes requested by the Commissioners.

Chair Ibáñez moved, seconded by Vice Chair Serrano, to continue item eight (8) and instruct Staff to modify the Report of Accomplishments under the direction of the Commission. 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:

- Adriana Bautista

9. ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR FY 2023-24

During discussion, Chair Ibáñez nominated Commissioner Esprit Jones as Chair for the fiscal year of 2023-24.

Chair Ibáñez moved, seconded by Vice Chair Serrano, to appoint Esprit Jones as Chair for the fiscal year of 2023-24. 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			

During discussion, Chair Ibáñez nominated Vice Chair Juliana Serrano to continue as Vice Chair for the fiscal year of 2023-24.

Chair Ibáñez moved, seconded by Commissioner Emeric-Ford, to reappoint Juliana Serrano as Vice Chair for the fiscal year of 2023-24. The motion passed by the following vote:

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Abernethy	x			

Annang	x			
Argento	x		x	
Emeric-Ford				
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

10. ESTABLISHMENT OF WORK PLAN FOR FY 2023-24

During discussion, the Commission reviewed the work plan and expressed their thoughts and preferences on the ad hoc committee they wished to be a part of. Outside Counsel Taylor addressed the Commission's question regarding community members participating in ad hoc committees, weighing the options of community members being selected by the Commission or selected by the head of an ad hoc committee. Further discussion will continue in August regarding community involvement in an ad hoc committee. IPA Rosenthal answered the Commission's questions, provided further explanations concerning the work plan, and agreed to meet with the objective six (6) ad hoc committee every other month and as needed. Further discussion will continue at the next meeting.

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

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- Adriana Bautista
- James Maddox

11. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS AND NEXT MEETING

After discussion, Staff (Gudiel) announced that the following item(s) would be planned for future meetings:

- Further discussion on the Report of Accomplishments for FY 2022-23
- Further discussion on the Work Plan for FY 2023-24

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ibáñez adjourned the special meeting at 8:10 PM.


 Esprit Loren Jones
 Community Police Oversight Commission Chair

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Frankie Gudiel', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat illegible.

Frankie Gudiel
Recording Secretary