



**SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES OF ACTIONS
for
Wednesday, March 9, 2011
5th Floor Large Conference Room
3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA**

Acting Chair Santore called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

The Community Police Review Commission meeting was conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953, in that Commission Member Robert Slawsby was at 2345 McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri, 64108 when contacted telephonically prior to Regular Meeting Roll Call.

Roll Call

Rotker	Slawsby	Johnson	Brandriff	Morales	Jackson	Roberts	Santore	Adams
✓	Via Telephone*	✓	✓	L (4:16)	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ = Present A = Absent L = Late LE = Left Early

Staff: Frank Hauptmann, CPRC Manager; Phoebe Sherron, Sr. Office Specialist

*Commissioner Slawsby's participation in this meeting was limited to attendance by telephone for the election of CPRC officers only with the last telephone call ending at 4:21 PM.

Election of Officers

Mary Shelton spoke regarding the fact that Commissioner Morales was not present, yet Commissioner Slawsby had been given the opportunity to participate via telephone. Ms. Shelton was concerned that Commissioner Morales had not been given that same opportunity.

Mr. Hauptmann advised Ms. Shelton that Commissioner Slawsby had advised Staff that he would not be physically present at the meeting due to his work schedule, but that he wanted to participate in the officer elections via telephone. Staff had not received any communication to that effect from Commissioner Morales nor had there been any communication from him as to his possible absence.

Acting Chair Santore asked if anyone wished to speak for Chair or Vice-Chair.

Commissioner Rotker spoke in favor of Acting Chair Santore as Chair, saying he felt he was well-qualified to fill the position.

Commissioner Brandriff nominated Commissioner Roberts for the position of Chair, noting that she was centered and focused.

Acting Chair Santore asked for the vote on the office of CPRC Chairman. Ms. Sherron, via roll call, took each vote, with the results as follows:

Rotker	Slawsby	Johnson	Brandriff	Morales	Jackson	Roberts	Santore	Adams
Santore	Santore	Santore	Roberts	A	Santore	Roberts	Santore	Roberts

Santore – 5 / Roberts – 3

Chairman Santore asked if there were any nominations for position of Vice-Chair. Commissioner Rotker nominated Commissioner Slawsby; Commissioner Brandriff nominated Commissioner Roberts.

Ms. Sherron, via roll call, took each vote, with the results as follows:

Rotker	Slawsby	Johnson	Brandriff	Morales	Jackson	Roberts	Santore	Adams
Slawsby	Slawsby	Slawsby	Roberts	A	Roberts	Roberts	Slawsby	Roberts

Slawsby – 4 / Roberts – 4: TIED

The vote was taken a second time in an attempt to break the tie:

Rotker	Slawsby	Johnson	Brandriff	Morales	Jackson	Roberts	Santore	Adams
Slawsby	Slawsby	Slawsby	Roberts	A	Roberts	Roberts	Slawsby	Roberts

Slawsby – 4 / Roberts – 4: TIED

The results were the same.

Chairman Santore consulted with City Attorney Priamos, who advised that the Charter requirement regarding board and commission officer elections was that a Chair be elected at the first meeting in March; there was no requirement that a Vice-Chair be elected at that time.

It was decided to hold the vote for Vice-Chair at the March 23rd Regular Meeting. Commissioner Slawsby congratulated Chairman Santore and the phone call with was concluded.

Public Comments

Mary Shelton said she was confused because the last time there had been a tie vote, it was broken by placing a conference call to Florida. She again expressed concern that Commissioner Morales had not been given the same opportunity to participate in the election. She also said it is a flaw that elections take place at the same time new commissioners are coming on board.

(Commissioner Morales joined the meeting at time.)

Mary Shelton advised Commissioner Morales that she had been concerned that he was not being given an opportunity to participate in the election.

At this point, Commissioner Brandriff recommended that the vote for Vice-Chair be taken. Chairman Santore said it had been decided to table until the March 23rd meeting. Commissioner Brandriff said he would make a motion to take the vote this evening. Mr. Priamos advised that if Commissioner Slawsby could be reached, the vote could be taken tonight, otherwise it would have to be held at the next meeting.

Ms. Sherron was able to reach Commissioner Slawsby by phone.

After Commissioner Morales was advised of the candidates, Ms. Sherron, via roll call, took each vote, with the results as follows:

Rotker	Slawsby	Johnson	Brandriff	Morales	Jackson	Roberts	Santore	Adams
Slawsby	Slawsby	Slawsby	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Slawsby	Roberts

Slawsby – 4 / **Roberts – 5**

Commissioner Slawsby congratulated Vice-Chair Roberts and the call was concluded.

Mary Shelton spoke regarding training for the new commissioners.

Christina Duran suggested that an information packet be sent to complainants and asked Ms. Sherron if that was done.

Ms. Sherron advised that when notification was received regarding new complaints, a letter along with the CPRC brochure was sent to the complainant.

Commissioner Morales said he thought it was a good idea and that he would put something together to present to Staff.

Mr. Hauptmann informed the Commission and the public that Training Bulletins were being published and posted online and that six had been posted.

Sanchez Officer-Involved Death (OID) Evaluation Process

Continued discussion and action, if any, on the OID evaluation. The Commission has completed Stage II (Fact Finding & Certification Process) and Stage III (Policy & Procedure Certification Process). Commission Members have been given notice concerning discussion of Stage IV (Deliberation & Finding Process). The Commission may proceed to Stage V (Recommendation Process) and Stage VI (Writing Public Report).

Mary Shelton spoke regarding the OIDs that are waiting for the Commission’s review.

Discussion began with Commissioner Rotker making the motion that the officer’s actions were Within Policy. Vice-Chair Roberts voiced her reasons for agreeing with the motion. After additional discussion, the following vote took place:

Motion for Approval	Motion	Second	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
That Officer Wright’s actions were Within Policy	Rotker	Morales	Rotker Brandriff Morales Roberts Santore	0	Johnson Jackson Adams

Commissioner Brandriff noted, as the Commission prepared to move on to Stage V, that the agenda as shown online was not the same as the posted agenda. After discussion and confirmation by Dep. City Attorney Gerren that the posted agenda was the one of legal concern, the Commission voted on whether or not to continue with discussion of Stage V.

Motion for Approval	Motion	Second	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
That discussion of Stage V be postponed until the March 23 meeting because of posted and online agenda discrepancies and to allow Commission Slawsby to participate in the discussion	Brandriff	Johnson	Johnson Brandriff Jackson Roberts Adams	Rotker Morales Santore	0

Discussion continued on Stage IV, with Vice-Chair Roberts giving the rationale. Commissioner Rotker asked that Staff prepare the rationale and forward to the Commission for review.

Items for Future Commission Consideration

Mr. Hauptmann noted that the OID process would be discussed and eventually memorialized in the By-Laws.

Commissioner Brandriff asked for information regarding OID redactions.

Vice-Chair Roberts asked for the complaint packet to be agendized.

Adjournment

The Commission adjourned at 6:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



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Sr. Office Specialist