



**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Wednesday, August 27, 2014
Art Pick Council Chambers
3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA**

CASE REVIEW – 4:30 PM

Case Review Roll Call

Rotker	Hawkins	Ybarra	Taylor	VACANT	Jackson	Roberts	VACANT	Adams
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STAFF: Frank Hauptmann, CPRC Manager; Phoebe Sherron, Sr. Office Specialist

Public Comment

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on closed session items.

There were no public comments.

Closed Session – Case Review

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Commission adjourned to Closed Session at 4:10 PM to discuss issues pertaining to PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL MATTERS.

	CPRC CASE NO.	RPD CASE NO.
1)	12-002	PC-12-01005

The Commission recessed at 5:30 PM to reconvene in the Regular Meeting.

REGULAR MEETING – 5:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Regular Meeting Roll Call

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Public Comments

Public comment on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction.

Mr. Santiago Rosa addressed the Commission via eComment (attached).

During the meeting, no public comments were made for this agenda item.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Jackson asked Ms. Sherron to explain the changes in Version 2 of the unapproved minutes. Ms. Sherron said there were various minor corrections throughout the document. She then informed the Commission that she had added comments under "Commissioner Comments" that had already been noted under "Items for Future Commission Consideration" and that those added comments would be deleted.

Chair Jackson also noted that she had asked that the summary comments she made regarding the Ciaramella OID be added to the minutes.

Chair Jackson then asked for a motion to approve the minutes with the noted changes.

Minutes for Approval	Motion	Second	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
A) July Regular Meeting	Hawkins	Taylor	Unanimous	0	0

Outreach

A) July / August Outreach

Chair Jackson opened this item and turned discussion over to Vice-Chair Adams.

Commissioner Hawkins:

- August 5 – National Night Out: Sycamore Canyon Park and Villegas Park

Commissioner Taylor:

- August 5 – National Night Out: Riverwalk – Montecito Estates

Vice-Chair Adams:

- July 31 – Casa Blanca Home of Neighborly Services group discussion
- August 5 – National Night Out: Goeske Senior Center, Casa Blanca, and The Wood Streets

Chair Jackson:

- August 5 – National Night Out: Goeske Senior Center, Casa Blanca, and The Wood Streets

B) Scheduled Outreach Events

There were no scheduled Outreach events.

C) Future Outreach Opportunities

- 1) Input from Outreach Coordinator on upcoming outreach events
- 2) Input from Commission Members on potential outreach events

Vice-Chair Adams said that the date for the CPRC presentation to Dr. Oliver Thompson's Community Relations Class needed to be selected and that Ms. Sherron had informed Commissioners via e-mail of three potential dates: October 8, 15, and 22. Vice-Chair Adams asked Ms. Sherron if she had received any responses to the e-mail.

Ms. Sherron said that two Commissioners had responded with one Commissioner available and the other unavailable. Ms. Sherron said that of the three dates noted, the 22nd was not practical as that was the date for the Commission's October Regular Meeting. While there were no apparent conflicts regarding the other two dates, Ms. Sherron said that she felt the 15th would be the best.

Vice-Chair Adams asked how many Commissioners were able to attend on October 15th. As several Commissioners raised their hands, October 15th was accepted by general consensus as the date for the presentation.

There were no other future events noted.

Meetings and Training Sessions

Reports from Commissioners on meetings and / or training sessions attended in July / August.

Commissioner Hawkins:

- July 29 – Policies, Procedures, & By-Laws Ad-hoc Committee Meeting
- August 22 – Meeting with Commissioner Taylor and Mr. Hauptmann regarding Sherron OID recommendations

Commissioner Ybarra:

- July 29 – Policies, Procedures, & By-Laws Ad-hoc Committee Meeting

Commissioner Roberts:

- August NACOLE Finance Committee meeting

Commissioner Taylor:

- August 22 – Meeting with Commissioner Taylor and Mr. Hauptmann regarding Sherron OID recommendations

Commissioner Rotker:

- July 29 – Policies, Procedures, & By-Laws Ad-hoc Committee Meeting. He said he was confused about what types of meetings were supposed to be reported under this item, CPRC business-related meetings or other types of meetings, and suggested this item be better defined. Chair Jackson agreed. Commissioner Rotker said he would wait and speak on his meeting activities during his Ad-hoc Committee report.

Vice-Chair Adams:

- Meeting with Chair Jackson and Mr. Hauptmann

Chair Jackson:

- Meeting with Vice-Chair Adams and Mr. Hauptmann
- August 20 – Calif. Police Officers' Association (CPOA) Training Session: Under Attack – A Review of the Dorner Incident
- August 22 – Ethics Hearing

Mr. Hauptmann, CPRC Manager:

- Meeting with Chair Jackson and Vice-Chair Adams and that they had discussed his Outreach PowerPoint presentation
- Meeting with Asst. Chief Vicino and Lt. Gonzalez regarding RPD training
- August 22 – Meeting with Commissioner Taylor and Commissioner Hawkins regarding the Sherron OID recommendations

Chair Jackson noted that the PowerPoint would also be a great training resource for new and current Commissioners.

Commissioner Hawkins said it was his belief that the meeting to discuss the recommendations for the Sherron OID was not an ad-hoc committee meeting. He asked if he was correct in that belief. Chair Jackson said he was correct.

Statistical Crime Reporting Audit

Presentation by Riverside Police Chief Sergio Diaz on an audit done for reporting statistical crime information to the State of California Department of Justice.

Chief Diaz opened by informing Commissioners that he wanted to answer any questions they might have regarding RPD's audit of its reports to the State on officer-involved deaths. Chair Jackson asked if there had been an article in the newspaper. Chief Diaz confirmed that and noted that the audit was prompted by that article.

Chief Diaz said there had been an article about two months ago in the Orange County Register's Orange County edition that reported on the numbers of officer-involved deaths (OIDs) – what the State calls in-custody deaths – that agencies report to the State soon after an incident occurs and then in a summary form once a year. The article said that many of these incidents were not being reported accurately. Chief Diaz said that after the article was brought to his attention, he wanted to know if RPD was accurate in its reporting of these incidents to the State, the public, and the Commission, so he initiated an audit of RPD's records pertaining to OIDs. Records for the past five years were reviewed and it was determined that RPD's numbers had been accurately reported.

Chief Diaz said that the State's reporting criteria is slightly different than what the Commission looks at, but essentially states that agencies must report on deaths that occur while a citizen is in police custody or as a result of certain interactions with police. Incident types are usually excessive force or shootings, but incidents are exempt if a person who is shot was not the intended target.

Chief Diaz said that the records at Internal Affairs were compared with the reports that were sent to the State as well as what was reported to the Commission. The audit first looked at what was required to be sent to the State and second, the necessary information that was to be sent to the Commission. The audit revealed that RPD's reporting was correct. The audit did reveal that there were things that could be improved on to ensure continued accuracy of the reports, one of these being that the Internal Affairs lieutenant ensure that the reports required by the State be submitted within the required time period. This has now been implemented as a required procedure. The audit also showed that internal audits are not done on a regular basis, so they will now be conducted annually to ensure accuracy in reporting.

Chief Diaz said he had thought Commissioners had received a copy of the audit, but if they did not yet have it, it would be available to them shortly. He said that if they had any questions after reviewing the audit, he would be happy to come back to answer those questions.

Mr. Hauptmann said he had the report. He said it was a possible misunderstanding on his part as he had thought it would be better to distribute it after the presentation so that Commissioners would have a better understanding, from Chief Diaz' perspective, about why the audit was done.

Chief Diaz said he understood and that he had just wanted Commissioners to know that he had been very concerned about the possibility that RPD's numbers might have been reported incorrectly. He said it was very important to him that the Commission have confidence as to the accuracy of the information it receives from RPD. Chief Diaz said that, from the beginning, his staff had been instructed to review the reports, to let him know whether or not the reporting was accurate, and that whatever the result of the audit was, that information would be shared with the Commission.

Chief Diaz then asked if Commissioners had any questions or concerns.

Commissioner Rotker said he was not aware of the referenced news article so he had not known there was a controversy. He said he would have liked to see the report before the presentation.

Chief Diaz said that much of the controversy was manufactured. He noted that the incidents referred to in the article as not having been reported were incidents that had been widely covered in the media, and had been reported to the Coroner's Office and the District Attorney's Office. The article also noted that the reporting errors that were made were basically bookkeeping or good-faith errors. He said that while the number of incidents RPD was required to report on was small, it was still important to make sure that the reporting was accurate and that procedures had been implemented to ensure its continued accuracy.

Commissioner Rotker commended Chief Diaz for the emphasis he placed on accurate reporting and the Commission's timely receipt of case information. Commissioner Rotker also noted that Asst. Chief Vicino was working hard to ensure that OID cases were sent to the Commission as quickly as possible.

Commissioner Ybarra said that he appreciated the fact that Chief Diaz initiated a self-audit. He said that Chief Diaz' action benefited everyone and showed the professionalism of RPD.

As there were no additional comments or questions, Chair Jackson thanked Chief Diaz for the presentation and that the Commission looked forward to seeing the report.

CPRC Ad-hoc Committees

Reports from Committee Chairs, with Commission discussion and action, if any, regarding respective Committee activities and / or recommendations:

- A) Policies, Procedures, and Bylaws Committee: Commissioner Rotker – Chair**
- B) Outreach Committee: Vice-Chair Adams – Chair**
- C) Policing and Mental Health Committee: Vice-Chair Adams – Chair**
- D) NACOLE 2015 Conference Planning Committee: Commissioner Roberts – Chair**

- A) Policies, Procedures, and Bylaws Committee: Commissioner Rotker – Chair**

Commissioner Rotker reported that the Committee had a three-hour meeting that was very productive. He said that Ms. Sherron would be adding items to the Policies and Procedures and that the draft would be discussed at the Committee meeting scheduled for September 12th.

- B) Outreach Committee: Vice-Chair Adams – Chair**

Vice-Chair Adams reported that a PowerPoint presentation created by Mr. Hauptmann for Outreach had been sent to Commissioner Taylor to review and that they had discussed revisions to reduce the presentation's size. She also asked if any Commissioner was interested in filling the vacancy left by the resignation of Commissioner Ortiz, to let her know.

- C) Policing and Mental Health Committee: Vice-Chair Adams – Chair**

Vice-Chair Adams said she had mentioned in her last report that the Committee expressed interest in Mr. Hauptmann talking to Chief Diaz about the Committee's interest in meeting with Officer McDonald and Lt. Heiting. Lt. Gonzalez noted that Mr. Hauptmann had talked to him about that. Vice-Chair Adams also

said the Committee wanted Officer McDonald or Lt. Heiting to give a presentation to the Commission regarding RPD's activity in mental health policing.

Lt. Gonzalez said he would talk to Lt. Hoxmeier, the executive lieutenant for patrol, about giving a presentation regarding RPD's Mental Health program.

Vice-Chair Adams said the Committee had discussed meeting with him first and asked to be advised of dates Lt. Hoxmeier would be available.

Chair Jackson commented on the Outreach Committee's desire to begin a youth program and asked about the status of the youth programs in the high schools. Vice-Chair Adams said she had not heard from any of the school contacts. Vice-Chair Adams said she had not yet heard from the woman who had said she would contact her in August. Vice-Chair Adams said she would try to contact her before the September meeting.

Vice-Chair Adams said the Outreach Committee had also been working on developing an award for officers with outstanding respect for the community. Mr. Hauptmann said he had talked with Asst. Chief Vicino and Lt. Gonzalez about it. He was told they are in favor of it and would provide input for recommendations. Vice-Chair Adams said that they now needed to develop criteria for the selection of officers.

Chair Jackson asked if anyone was interested in filling the Outreach vacancy, but there were no responses.

Commissioner Taylor asked if an ad-hoc committee was going to be created to work on the 2014 Annual Report. Chair Jackson said that was typically done in the fall, then asked Commissioner Taylor if he was interested in chairing the committee again this year. Commissioner Taylor said he would not refuse to do so if asked, but that he was not volunteering. Chair Jackson said she would probably wait until September to consider creating the Annual Report Committee.

Ms. Sherron noted that most of the changes made to an Annual Report resulted from the Commission's activity data during a given year. She suggested that she present a draft to the Commission with the 2014 information available to date rather than create a committee to review the report. If it was believed that a committee was needed after reviewing the initial draft, it could be done at that time.

Chair Jackson asked if everyone was okay with Ms. Sherron's suggestion; by general consensus, the Commission agreed with Ms. Sherron's suggestion.

Mr. Hauptmann noted that the process for drafting the last two or three annual reports had become more streamlined. He said that, aside from the data inserted by Ms. Sherron, there were only a couple other sections that might require changes by others, one of which he does, and the other being done by the Chair.

Chair Jackson also asked that if Commissioners took pictures at Outreach events, that they forward the photos to Ms. Sherron for use in the Annual Report.

D) NACOLE 2015 Conference Planning Committee: Commissioner Roberts – Chair

Commissioner Roberts said she had nothing to report as the Committee had not met recently. She said she would wait until after the 2014 NACOLE Conference to schedule the next meeting.

Chair Jackson reminded Commissioners that the NACOLE Conference was coming up in September and asked that those attending the 2014 Conference pay close attention to the table with information about the various NACOLE committees. She said the Commission needs be involved in these as that will help increase the Commission's knowledge about what to expect when NACOLE comes to Riverside in 2015.

Chair Jackson asked Vice-Chair Adams to speak again about the Outreach Committee's Outstanding Award activity.

Vice-Chair Adams said that part of the Commission's purpose is to also commend RPD. The Committee thought it would be good for the Commission to award officers who show outstanding respect for the community and do their job well. She said the Committee had not yet decided how often the award would be given and thought it would be helpful to get input from RPD. She said that officers who perform acts of heroism are usually the ones who receive awards and that the Committee felt it important that officers who consistently perform their job in an outstanding manner should also be recognized. She said that Mr. Hauptmann and Lt. Gonzalez had said RPD is on board with the idea, but she noted that criteria had to be developed as to how candidates are selected and the frequency of the award's presentation. She said that officers may believe that the Commission is only critical of their actions. Because of this, the Committee believes it is important to show that the Commission also sees the positive actions of officers. She then asked Chief Diaz for his thoughts on this.

Chief Diaz said he felt the Commission was "on the right track." He said that there are officers who consistently generate positive e-mails and letters from citizens that are not about the heroic actions of these officers, but the positive manner in which they do their work. He said that regular recognition of officers was one area where RPD was lacking prior to the current management team and that they were working to address that. He said they are also working to improve the perception of CPRC by line officers. He said there is a natural bias regarding oversight, but that they are trying to correct those misconceptions. He said that whenever the opportunity arises, officers are told that the Commission looks at reviewed cases in much the same way as the Department and if there is a discrepancy, the officer often benefits. He said it is also made known how important it is for everyone in the Department to have the trust of the community and that the Commission is part of that process. He said it is his goal to win the trust of the rank and file for the Commission.

Vice-Chair Adams said that officers whose actions were being reviewed would be skeptical of an oversight body. She said that is why the Committee felt it was important that the Commission show it is balanced and also recognizes when officers are doing a good job. She said the Committee would value Chief Diaz' input regarding selection criteria and that they would work with Lt. Gonzalez if need be.

Chief Diaz said he would think about it and make suggestions to assist in developing award criteria.

Commissioner Taylor said that one of the Committee's goals was to improve the officers' perception of the Commission. One suggestion he made was that photos of officers recognized by the Commission be posted so that other officers could see that the Commission not only looks at the negative, but also looks at the positive as well.

Chief Diaz said that RPD's recognition program has been neglected and is a work in progress. He also said that RPD does not currently do photo acknowledgements of recognized officers. He said that if photos of officers recognized by the Commission are posted, they would be included with those of officers who had received other awards.

Vice-Chair Adams noted that she did not want the recognition award to end up being a question of who to pick next and reiterated that they were interested in hearing Chief Diaz' criteria as to how to choose a recipient of the Commission's award. Chief Diaz said he would not recommend a monthly award but an annual award.

Chair Jackson thanked Chief Diaz for his time and input. She said that while the Committee has been working with Mr. Hauptmann and Lt. Gonzalez, she felt it was important to take advantage of the opportunity to speak with him since he was present.

Commissioner Rotker asked if the Commission would discuss the award. Vice-Chair Adams said the Committee wanted to be sure that RPD was okay with idea before bringing it to the Commission for discussion. She said that once the Committee had its ideas for the award in place, it would be brought to the Commission for discussion.

Commissioner Rotker said the Commission should have input before going any further. Vice-Chair Adams said the Committee had not planned on going too far or making decisions that could not be changed. She said that since they now knew that RPD was in favor of the idea, the Committee needed to develop it further before bringing the award to the Commission for discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

Sherron Officer-Involved Death (OID) Case Evaluation

Continued discussion and action, if any, on the Sherron OID Case Evaluation. The Commission may return to discussion of completed Stages, if needed.

- A) Stage I – Commission Member Review: Completed
- B) Stage II – Fact Finding, Request for Training & Investigation: Completed
- C) Stage III – Policy and Procedure Process: Completed
- D) Stage IV – Deliberation and Finding Process: In Process
- E) Stage V – Recommendation Process: In Process
- F) Stage VI – Written Public Report: In Process

Chair Jackson began by noting that the meeting to discuss the recommendations took place later than anticipated so the draft was not yet available for Commission discussion. Mr. Hauptmann said his draft had to be reviewed by Commissioners Hawkins and Taylor before it was given to the Commission for review. Chair Jackson said that discussion would then be held off until September.

Mr. Hauptmann said that the recommendations draft would be available for review well before the September meeting.

Chair Jackson asked that Commissioners review the document once it was available and be prepared for discussion in September.

Mr. Hauptmann noted that the Commission's concerns fell short of making policy recommendations necessary, but added that RPD needed to be aware of the concerns that were raised. He said it would also let the Community know that the Commission had advised the Department of its concerns. He said that any training concerns would be a Department-initiated project.

Chair Jackson asked if there were any other comments. As there were none, she reiterated that the recommendations would be discussed in September. She then ended discussion of this item.

Ciaramella Officer-Involved Death (OID) Case Evaluation

Begin discussion on the Ciaramella OID Case Evaluation. The Commission may return to discussion of completed Stages, if needed.

- A) Stage I – Commission Member Review: In Process
- B) Stage II – Fact Finding, Request for Training & Investigation: In Process
- C) Stage III – Policy and Procedure Process
- D) Stage IV – Deliberation and Finding Process
- E) Stage V – Recommendation Process
- F) Stage VI – Written Public Report

Chair Jackson opened by briefly commenting on the summary she gave at the previous meeting and noted there had been no discussion. She then opened the floor for discussion and asked if anyone believed there was a need for training or had any questions that needed to be answered; there were no requests for training or additional information.

Chair Jackson then asked if Commissioners felt the need for any additional discussion. As there was none, she noted that two Commissioners had already submitted their rationales and asked that the remaining rationales be submitted in time for the September meeting.

Chair Jackson also noted that the Fact Sheet had not been formally accepted and asked for a motion to accept it.

Motion for Approval	Motion	Second	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
That the Fact Sheet for the Ciaramella OID be accepted	Rotker	Adams	Unanimous	0	0

Chair Jackson closed by stating that there was no need for training or additional discussion and again asked that rationales be submitted by the September meeting.

Mr. Hauptmann asked if the Commission would be making its finding at the September meeting. Chair Jackson said they would be.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Review of the City's Code of Ethics

Discussion and action, if any, on recommendations or inclusion of new values or procedures in the City's Code of Ethics for elected officials and members of appointed boards, commissions, and committees. Per Resolution No. 22461, the Governmental Affairs Committee will hold the required annual review of the Code of Ethics with the Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney, and the Chairs of all Boards and Commissions. This meeting will be held on September 3, 2014, at 4 PM in the Mayor's Ceremonial Room. The City Council's public hearing on the resultant report is scheduled for September 23, 2014, at 7 PM in the Art Pick Council Chamber.

Mr. Kevin Dawson addressed the Commission on this item via eComment (attached).

There were no public comments made during the meeting.

Chair Jackson advised that the Chairs of all Boards and Commissions would be meeting with the Governmental Affairs Committee on September 3rd to discuss possible changes to the City's Code of Ethics. She said that the public meeting would then take place during the City Council meeting on September 23rd. She asked if Commissioners had reviewed the Code of Ethics. As there were no comments, she expressed her concern that the Chairs of the City's Boards and Commissions are currently required to sit in judgment of a Board or Commission Chair that has had an ethics complaint filed against them. She said that, as a result of this requirement, she had been one of the Chairs selected to serve on the panel for a recent Ethics Hearing regarding a complaint filed against another Chair.

Chair Jackson said that she had expressed her concerns about serving on the panel because she knew the complainant and the subject of the complaint. Because of this, she said she told everyone of this at the beginning of the proceedings to assure them that she could still make an objective decision. She said it was very uncomfortable to sit on a panel in judgment of a peer and that she later learned that there were Chairs who had refused to serve on the panel. She noted that the current Code of Ethics requires Board and Commission Chairs to serve in this capacity.

As a result of this hearing, she said she had recommendations to present at the September 3rd meeting. She also noted that there was talk about the need for a completely independent adjudicating body to handle hearings of this nature. She advised Commissioners that if they were ever interested in serving as CPRC Chair, that this was one of their duties while serving in that capacity. She then asked that if Commissioners had any concerns or recommendations, they forward those to CPRC Staff so she could get that information in time for the September 3rd meeting.

Chair Jackson then opened the item for Commission discussion.

Commissioner Roberts said that citizens can attend the September 3rd meeting as that is when citizen concerns and recommendations are presented. Chair Jackson asked Mr. Hauptmann about this because the information she had indicated it was not a public meeting. Commissioner Roberts said that when she attended last year's meeting as CPRC Chair, a member of the public had addressed the group regarding his concerns. Mr. Hauptmann said it is an open meeting as the public has a right to hear what is being discussed. He said he believed citizens were also given the opportunity to speak and voice any concerns they might have.

Chair Jackson then suggested that if any Commissioners were available on September 3rd at 4 PM, they attend the meeting. Commissioner Roberts added that this meeting was when concerns were voiced and recommendations made and that this committee would decide what would be presented at the Council Meeting.

As there were no additional comments, Chair Jackson closed this item by reminding Commissioners to send their concerns or recommendations to Staff prior to September 3rd.

Staff Report

Mr. Hauptmann said he had talked with two RPD field sergeants that day. He said one of the sergeants said that he thought CPRC no longer existed because they no longer heard anything about the Commission. Mr. Hauptmann said the sergeant told him that they used to hear negative things about Commission all the time, but had heard nothing in the past two years. Mr. Hauptmann said that this was a positive reflection on the Commission's efforts to bridge the gaps with both the Community and RPD.

Mr. Hauptmann then said that when he first started with the Commission, OID evaluations were very lengthy, but that the method of reviewing OID cases is now more streamlined. He said that while the Commission moves through cases more quickly, the important items and concerns are not missed. He said that the manner in which OID review takes place and the objective nature of that review is a benefit to the Community and speaks highly of the Commission.

He also expressed his gratitude to Chief Diaz for his assistance in providing the Commission with as much information as possible for its public review of OIDs. He said that RPD is the most transparent police department in California and hoped the Community realizes how much RPD actually provides. He also noted that the items RPD will release for OID cases is in the process of being memorialized by RPD.

Chair Jackson said that from what she knows of the City's other bodies, CPRC is the hardest working commission and thanked the Commissioners for their work.

Commissioner Rotker said it would be great if the Commission could demonstrate its successful relationship with the Community and RPD. He said this is a success story and should be told when the NACOLE Conference comes to Riverside.

Mr. Hauptmann agreed with Commissioner Rotker and said the Commission may be used as a model for oversight bodies in the process of being created. He said most oversight bodies are tailored to a community's needs and that those needs are based on an incident that ultimately resulted in the creation of the oversight body. He said it is also helpful when an agency is as transparent as RPD because it shows the proactive nature of that department.

Commissioner Rotker asked if the Commission would have the opportunity to highlight its success during the 2015 NACOLE Conference.

Mr. Hauptmann said it would. He said it needed to be presented and that he has considered writing an article about the Commission for NACOLE and Cal Chiefs. He said that councilmembers in other cities who say their city doesn't need oversight are short-sighted. He also noted the importance of properly selecting members for oversight bodies. He said the CPRC is a great success story, but noted it is also important to have open-minded leadership in the police department.

Chair Jackson said that the Commission needs to determine what NACOLE chooses for presentations and what the Commission can present, but that she believed the Commission would get to tell its story. She also commented on an article about the Salt Lake City's commission in a brochure distributed at the 2013 NACOLE Conference and noted that Mr. Hauptmann could be asked to write something for Riverside.

Mr. Hauptmann said that after being with the Commission for three years and looking at other commissions, there will be problems if a department head is not willing to be involved. He said that the CPRC's success story results in part by the relationship between RPD's Command Staff and the Commission. He recalled that former RPD / CPRC liaison Lt. Vance Hardin commented about how much the Commission had changed from when he first became liaison to the present. He said that Lt. Hardin's positive comment, along with those of the field sergeants and others, says much about the Commission.

Commissioner Comments

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, Commission members may use this time to make brief announcements or a brief report on their own activities.

Commissioner Taylor asked Ms. Sherron about the progress of "Nextdoor" neighborhood networking site. Ms. Sherron said she would contact Ms. Elliot in the Mayor's Office tomorrow.

Commissioner Hawkins asked Mr. Hauptmann about the status of the Commission's vacancies. Mr. Hauptmann said he believed interviews for Ward 2 would take place next week. He said he had recently spoken to the Ward 6 Councilmember, Jim Perry, about the vacancy. Councilmember Perry told him that an appointment would not be made until they had applicants suitable for CPRC. Councilmember Perry said he didn't want to appoint someone just to fill the vacancy, but that he would rather wait to appoint a person who is adequately qualified.

Chair Jackson encouraged all Commissioners to check into the various community meetings and that the Commission should try to attend Ward 6 community meetings to inform residents of the Commission's need to fill the Ward 6 seat.

Mr. Hauptmann also advised that he is usually notified within an hour of an applicant's appointment and that he then notifies the Commission of the appointment.

Items for Future Commission Consideration

There were no items for future consideration.

Adjournment

The Commission adjourned at 7:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


PHOEBE SHERRON
Sr. Office Specialist

08-27-14 Minutes – August Regular



City of Arts & Innovation

**Public Comment for August 27, 2014
Community Police Review Commission Meeting
Prepared at 2:33 PM on August 27, 2014**

Item	Name	Neighborhood	Comments
<p>5. Public Comments Public comment on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction.</p>	<p>Santiago Rosa</p>	<p>Outside City Limits</p>	<p>I am here today to acknowledge CPRC work and that the permanent staff of the commission has diligently assisted me in my fact-finding mission in order to establish a similar commission in the City of Palm Springs.</p> <p>Incredible barriers to justice that most US citizens must face in order to find remedy for a relatively minor, if shocking, incidents of police abuse go unreported every day.</p> <p>Economically viable mechanisms such as the CPRC do not exist in nearby towns and cities. Every effort must be made to insure such measures be put in place immediately. This, especially where police abuse is known to be rife and such a city as Palm Springs could certainly afford to implement such a program.</p> <p>Please support me in my efforts to bring a similar CPRC-like body to the City of Palm Springs. I can give you every assurance it is most desperately needed. Any effort that this commission can lend and any support that the City of Riverside and the county can offer is most appreciated.</p>
<p>13. Annual Review of the City's Code of Ethics Discussion and action, if any, on recommendations or inclusion of new values or procedures in the City's Code of Ethics for elected officials and members of appointed boards, commissions, and committees. Per Resolution No. 22461, the Governmental Affairs Committee will hold the required annual review of the Code of Ethics with the Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney, and the Chairs of all Boards and Commissions. This meeting will be held on September 3, 2014, at 4 PM in the Mayor's Ceremonial Room. The City Council's public hearing on the resultant report is scheduled for September 23, 2014, at 7 PM in the Art Pick Council Chamber.</p>	<p>kevin dawson</p>	<p>University</p>	<p>The code of ethics is broken, & not b/c Davis has filed a complaint against the mayor. It's broken because it has never deterred unethical behavior by those prone to act unethical. It's broken because city electeds haven't wanted it to work. A councilman threatened me and chased my 15 old daughter into the street. I filed an ethics complaint and the CA dismissed it out of hand. In your staff report, they list my complaint as having to do with hand held signs. Grossly misleading. This incident happened in his ward, on a city street, outside a city function he'd just officiated at. We need to strengthen the C of E. Complaints should be heard by professionals in jurisprudence, like retired judges. All hearings should be video recorded and posted. Complainants should have right to at least one rebuttal. We need a C of E & complaint process that covers the CM, CA and other staff. It needs to be posted prominently on the city web site. We need to fix city problems instead of allowing coverups</p>