

# **RICHMOND POLICE COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, September 2, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Community Services Building**

**440 Civic Center Plaza**

**Multi-Purpose Room (Basement)**

## **MINUTES**

### **I CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Cora Ward

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Nemy Bautista  
Scott Gillespie  
Dolores Hembree  
Bea Roberson  
Cora J. Ward  
Naomi Williams

**Absent:** Jim Jenkins  
Roberto Reyes  
Glenn Stephenson

**Vacancies:** None

#### **Administrative**

**Staff Present:** Don Casimere, Confidential Investigative & Appeals Officer  
Malia Glover, Executive Secretary I

**Council Liaison:** Jeff Ritterman, Council Liaison – Absent

#### **City Attorney's**

**Office Representative:** Bruce Soublet, Assistant City Attorney – Present

### **II APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 2, 2009 and August 1, 2009 (Retreat)**

Upon motion by **Commissioner Hembree** and second by **Commissioner Bautista** the minutes for the regular meeting of July 1, 2009, and August 1, 2009 (Retreat), were approved as written. All were in favor.

### **III COMMENTS BY COUNCIL LIAISON JEFF RITTERMAN**

Not present.

**IV COMMENTS BY CHIEF OF POLICE (Chris Magnus or his representative)**

**Sgt. Dave Harris** reported that they had an incident today on So. 37<sup>th</sup> and Wall where someone was severely injured, but thanks to the CCTV network, they have five suspects in custody. He said the ShotSpotter has been working well for the department. They're in the process of preparing to expand the system into other areas of the City.

**Commissioner Hembree** complimented the department on the quick action at the Alvarado Gardens incident and said everyone working that evening deserves applause. **Sgt. Harris** said he appreciates positive comments. The officers and supervisors did an outstanding job that evening.

**V REPORTS BY:**

- **RICHMOND POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION**

No representative present

- **LATINO POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION**

**Sgt. Jesse Ney** invited the commissioners to the Latino Comedy Jam which will be held at the old Gonzalez Restaurant on 9/24/09 at 8:00 p.m. All proceeds will go to the Christmas fund that helps needy families in Richmond. The LPOA has recently made donations to Bertha Pacheco's family and the Sisneros family. The LPOA has recently participated in the Relay for Life with Farmer's Insurance to help missing and exploited children.

**Commissioner Bautista** extended his congratulations to the RPD K-9 Unit for the awards they won at a recent competition.

- **GUARDIANS OF JUSTICE**

No representative present

**VI PUBLIC FORUM**

**Cochise Potts** talked about the duties and responsibilities of the Police Commission and said that decisions made by the Police Commission should not be overruled.

**VII DISCUSSION REGARDING COMMISSIONER ATTENDANCE AT NACOLE CONFERENCE 10/31/09 – 11/03/09**

**CIAO Casimere** said three commissioners have expressed an interest in attending the conference. **Commissioner Gillespie** said that only the chair and vice-chair should attend the conference. **Commissioner Williams** said that all commissioners should have the opportunity to attend if they are interested; the City Council provided additional money in the budget for commissioners to attend such training. **CIAO Casimere** said that the next step will be to submit travel requests for approval.

## **VIII REPORTS BY:**

### **Chair Ward**

- Thanked the commissioners for attending PC Retreat
- Thanked Asst. CA Bruce Soublet for attending PC Retreat
- Ride-along with Terry Ellis

### **Commissioner Hembree**

- Attended PC Retreat
- Attended National Night Out

### **Commissioner Bautista**

- 7/03/09 – Attended Celebration at Craneway Pavilion
- 7/26/09 – Attended Filipino American of Contra Costa Meeting
- 7/30/09 – 4-hour Ride-Along with Off. Joe Pineda
- 8/01/09 – Attended PC Retreat
- 8/04/09 – Attended National Night Out Kick Off Party
- 8/22/09 – Attended Filipino American of Contra Costa Picnic
- 8/27/09 – 4-hour Ride-Along with Sgt. D. Williams

### **Commissioner Williams**

- Attended 7/3/09 Fireworks
- Attended National Night Out
- Attended NC Meeting
- Attended Special Council Meeting
- Attended West County Alcohol Policy Working Group Meeting
- Attended GRIP Meeting
- Attended Commission on Aging Workshop
- Attended Main Street Event
- Attended Police Commission Retreat
- Attended GRIP Retreat

### **Commissioner Roberson**

- Attended 7/3/09 Fireworks
- Ride-Along
- Attended CAPER (Citizens Advisory Panel for Emergency Preparedness) Meeting
- Attended Iron Triangle Picnic
- Attended National Night Out
- Worked on Safety Fair to be held at Hilltop on 9/26/09
- Working on Grand Reopening of City Hall Event
- Attended Police Commission Retreat
- Ride-Along
- Attended RNCC Meetings
- Working on Homefront Festival

**CIAO Don Casimere**

- Reported that DeVone Boggan will give presentation at PC Meeting on 10/7/09
- Requested that commissioners come early to 10/7/09 meeting for brochure pictures
- He will talk with Chief Magnus regarding ride-alongs

**IX EXECUTIVE SESSION: Public Employee Performance and Discipline/Release (Police Officers)**

A. Discussion and Action Regarding RPC Complaint #02-2009

Upon motion and second, the report for RPC Complaint #02-2009 and findings of **Exonerated** were accepted.

The Complainant, Officers, and Chief of Police will be notified in writing of the findings regarding this complaint.

B. Discussion Regarding Complaints Received in the Past Month and Past Complaints

One complaint received in the past month.

**X ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by **Commissioner Williams** and second by **Commissioner Roberson**, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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**Don Casimere**  
**Confidential Investigative & Appeals Officer**