

**CITIZENS POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION  
(CPRC)**

**Wednesday, June 6, 2018 – 7:00 PM  
Employment & Training Building  
330 – 25<sup>th</sup> Street  
Conference Room 1**

**MINUTES**

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by **Chair David Brown**

**Present:** David Brown (Chair), Diego Garcia, Oscar Garcia, Yenny Garcia, Carol Hegstrom, Bea Roberson

**Absent:** Demnlus Johnson III

**Vacancies:** 1 Vacancy

**Administrative**

**Staff:** Lucky Narain, Confidential Investigative and Appeals Officer (CIAO) – Present; Shané Johnson, Staff Liaison – Present;

**Council Liaison:** Jael Myrick, Council Liaison – Absent

**City Attorney's**

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

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (April 4, 2018 and May 2, 2018)**

Upon motion by Commissioner B. Roberson and seconded by Commissioner C. Hegstrom, the minutes for the regular meeting of May 2, 2018, were approved as written. The minutes for April 2018 will be approved at the next regular meeting.

**III. AGENDA REVIEW – No change**

**IV. PUBLIC FORUM**

**Rick Perez** – Mr. Perez regarding the Chief of Police and the Mayor's statements.

**Patricia Perez** – Mrs. Perez expressed her happiness to the CPRC regarding their decision on the Perez case.

**Kishana Harley** – Ms. Harley shared her feelings about the voting that took place among the commissioners during the closed session for the Pedie Perez case.

**V. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL LIAISON Jael Myrick – None**

- VI. COMMENTS BY CHIEF OF POLICE (Allwyn Brown or his designate)** – Captain Walle distributed the shot spotter report and will also email the document for distribution. He updated the CPRC on the Fourth of July project that he is working on which included a Crime Prevention drawing contest for WCCUSD’s K-3 grades, and a Training and Fire Prevention component. Captain Walle invited anyone interested to join RPD at the City’s Corporation yard on July 4<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to midnight, where a command post will be setup to monitor the holiday’s activities. Next, Captain Walle reported that Contra Costa County is starting their mobile crisis intervention teams designed to reduce both officer encounters with mentally ill individuals and the number of 5150 cases through deployment of mental health clinicians and a mental health hotline. Lastly, Captain Walle announced a forum regarding prostitution on June 27<sup>th</sup> at the Veterans Memorial Hall from 7pm-9pm. The forum will be presented as a dialogue between RPD, Contra Costa DA’s Office, and the community.
- VII. REPORTS BY RICHMOND POLICE OFFICERS’ ASSOCIATION (Ben Therriault, President)** – Officer Therriault updated the CPRC on multiple community fundraising efforts organized by RPOA including Cinco de Mayo, the Family Justice Center, and scholarships through RPAL. He also provided stats for RPD’s staffing levels and answered questions from the commissioners regarding such. Next, Officer Therriault spoke about body cameras and encouraged the commissioners to read an article that he emailed concerning the topic.
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS, DISCUSSION ITEMS**
- A. RPD Task Force re: Celebratory gunfire – Appoint CPRC delegate** – Commissioner Roberson will replace Felix Hunziker on the task force.
  - B. CPRC Public Reporting on Investigation** – Commissioner Hegstrom gave a presentation about public reporting currently being done by other police commissions. In response to the City Attorney’s office reply that only certain information is allowed, she pointed out specific areas of the California law that suggested that more information could be shared with the public. Commissioner Hegstrom provided examples of reports provided by other police commissions who are governed by the same California codes. Attorney Bruce Soublet stated that the matter would need to be a meet and confer matter between multiple groups to satisfy the obligation of the labor law and he encouraged the CPRC to produce a template for the type of report that they would like to release.
  - C. Cinco de Mayo wrap-up** – The event went well. The commission exhausted their pen and postcard supply. All commissioners who were set to attend showed up and did their part.
  - D. NACOLE attendance** – This year’s conference is in St. Petersburg, FL. and commissioners D. Brown and Y. Garcia will attend along with CIAO Lucky Narain. Staff S. Johnson will make the travel arrangements and provide information to the attendees.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Elect a vice-chair** – Commissioner O. Garcia nominated Commissioner Hegstrom. Commissioner D. Garcia seconded the motion. No other nominations were received. All commissioners were in favor. Commissioner Hegstrom was elected to the vice-chair position.
- B. Discussion of any policy recommendations arising from the Perez case** – CIAO Lucky Narain read a list of recommendations from a report that he prepared for the commissioners including, but not limited to, body/gun cameras, canine policy modifications, outreach campaigns, etc. He spoke about de-escalation policies around the nation and distributed such policies to the commissioners for their perusal. Chair Brown suggested that the recommendations be the focus of the upcoming CPRC retreat.
- Rick Perez** – Commented on the Perez case and how easy it was to find information about the involved officer. He shared his feelings that Lucky Narain’s recommendations were “reassuring.”

**X. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS, CIAO AND STAFF**

- Commissioner D. Garcia – He participated in the community forum that took place at Richmond High School. Community participation was low and the goal is to get more people involved. The next forums will take place on June 9<sup>th</sup> at RPAL and on July 4<sup>th</sup> at the Shields Reid community center.
- Commissioner Roberson – She worked at the Cinco de Mayo event and will be in attendance at Juneteenth. She also reported that she attempted to work with staff S. Johnson to try to catch up older missing minutes, but was unable to due to missing pertinent information.
- Commissioner Hegstrom – She attended the Cinco de Mayo event.
- Commission O. Garcia – Thanked Eddie Aubrey for his work with the Office of Professional Accountability.
- Commissioner Y. Garcia – She attended the Cinco de Mayo festival and the Latina Center Expo.
- Staff S. Johnson/Attorney B. Soublet – More pens, candy, and supplies will be ordered.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned to the public at 8:55 p.m.



**David A. Brown, Chair**

