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Subject: Community Racial Profiling Commission Quarterly Report

SUMMARY

In November 2004, City Council confirmed selections for membership on the Community Racial Profiling Commission whose purpose it is to assist the City with its racial profiling study. This report provides Council with the Commission's second quarterly update since it began meeting in January 2005.

BACKGROUND

In July 2000, the Sacramento Police Department undertook a comprehensive study of traffic stops to address perceptions of racial profiling. In March 2004, City Council approved the establishment of a formal advisory commission that would provide the City with a greater opportunity to be inclusive and allow for equitable representation, accountability, and reporting from Sacramento residents in this issue of national importance. In November 2004, City Council confirmed fifteen members of the Community Racial Profiling Commission. The Commission held its first meeting in January 2005 and set its future meeting dates as the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Center.

Since the first quarterly update in April 2005, the Commission has accomplished the following:

- Began review of the six proposals received from consultants who responded to the Police Department's August 2004 Request for Proposals for the evaluation of traffic, bicycle and pedestrian stop data.
- Sent one Commission member to the Northwestern University Fourth National Symposium on Racial Profiling – an annual conference in Chicago, Illinois which paired law enforcement, community and academia in discussions regarding the trends in addressing racial profiling.

The Mission of the Sacramento Police Department is to work in partnership with the Community to protect life and property, solve neighborhood problems, and enhance the quality of life in our City.

- Attended a day-long workshop that featured the history of the Sacramento Police Department’s racial profiling project, an education and training session from the Simon Wiesenthal Museum of Tolerance, and facilitation of the Commission’s work plan by the City of Sacramento’s Organizational Development Department.

The following table comprises the status of Commission membership.

NAME	CATEGORY	NAME	CATEGORY
<i>Open</i>	District 1	Ernest Carter	At-Large
Jason Sample	District 2	Renee Carter	At-Large
Heather Daular	District 3	<i>Open</i>	At-Large
John Floyd, Chair	District 4	<i>Open</i>	At-Large
Linda Love	District 5		
Roberto Ramos	District 6	Rick Braziel, Vice Chair	Standing
Alex Eng	District 7	Dave Topaz	Standing
Aaron Evans	District 8	Jerry Enomoto (Interim)	Standing

The attached statement of Commission mission, vision, and values was crafted at the workshop. They provide a framework for the Commission to continue its progress on the work plan that includes the identification of goals and objectives, which, when fully developed, will be presented to Council and the community.

Finally, following the regularly scheduled July meeting in which the remaining proposals will be discussed, the Commission worked with staff to develop a short list of potential consultants to invite to Sacramento for further discussion on their proposals to evaluate traffic stop data. At their August 18 meeting, the Commission heard presentations by two invited consultants followed by interviews. Commissioners will discuss their impressions at their September meeting in order to make a recommendation. The Commission has emphasized that obtaining the “right” consultant is critical to the success of the racial profiling study and with its new foundation, is looking forward to its work on the issue.

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