



Meeting of the City of Sacramento Community Racial Profiling Commission



SUMMARY

Thursday, July 17, 2008

Public Safety Center - 5770 Freeport Boulevard - Hall of Honor

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Brian Louie
Alani Cridge
John Floyd
Sean Coletta
Renee Carter

Francine Tournour
Walter Kawamoto
Daniela Lopez-Garcia
Vacant
Crystal Taylor, Chair

Brent Meyer
Vacant
Julie Vera
Danette Brown
Ernest Carter

CITY STAFF:

*Brian Louie, Deputy Chief
Sylvia Moir, Lieutenant
Helga Sprung, Administrative Analyst*

The Community Racial Profiling Commission is a board of the City Council whose purpose is to provide recommendations to the Council concerning racially biased policing.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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All items listed are heard and acted upon by the Community Racial Profiling Commission unless otherwise noted.

Called to Order – 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call - A meeting of the Community Racial Profiling Commission was called to order by Chair Crystal Taylor at 6:05 p.m. Thursday, July 17, 2008 at the Public Safety Center, Hall of Honor. Julia Vera absent.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chair Crystal Taylor.

Discussion / Action Reports

Discussion and action reports include oral presentations including those recommending receive and file.

1. Update on Commission Membership

Location: (Citywide)

Recommendation: Receive and file.

Contact: Lt. Sylvia Moir, (916) 808-0850, Police Department.

Action: Lt. Moir reported that postings had closed for vacant seats on the Commission representing Districts 3 and 8. No applications were received for District 3; two applications were received and one is under review for District 8. Applications for all board/commission seats expiring in 2008 are currently being accepted and will close on October 17, 2008. CRPC seats expiring in 2008 include one At-Large seat and one each representing Districts 2, 4 and 6.

2. Approval of Minutes for June 12, 2008

Location: (Citywide)

Recommendation: Approve minutes.

Contact: Helga Sprung, Administrative Analyst, (916) 808-0838, Police Department.

Action: Moved, seconded, carried (Floyd/E. Carter; Absent – Vera) to approve the minutes for June 12, 2008.

3. Vehicle Stop Study - 1) Review of Schedules for Presentation to City Council and Stakeholder Meetings; 2) Discussion of the Sub-Committee Selection of Moderator for Stakeholder Meetings; 3) Review of Commission Member Biographies; 4) Review of Stakeholder Database; 5) Review of Stakeholder Meeting Format

Location: (Citywide)

Recommendation: Review and discuss presented information and materials and provide direction.

Contact: Michele McCormick, Consultant, (916) 567-6309.

Action: 1) Michele McCormick and Commission members reviewed various scheduling possibilities for the presentation of the Lamberth Traffic Stop Study results to the City Council, the CRPC members, and the media. The stakeholder meetings were scheduled for a) Wednesday, August 12, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the South Natomas Community Center at 2921 Truxel Road, b) Thursday, August 13, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Oak Park Community Center at 3425 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, and 3) Friday, August 15, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Samuel Pannell Meadowview Community Center at 2450 Meadowview Road. 2) The subcommittee selected Dr. David Colvin to moderate the meeting at the South Natomas Community Center, Judge Troy Nunley to moderate the meeting at the Oak Park Community Center, and Kelly Montgomery to moderate the meeting at the Samuel Pannell Meadowview Community Center. Chair Crystal Taylor asked that the subcommittee members, Renee Carter, Daniela Lopez-Garcia, and Julia Vera, receive thank you letters from the Commission for their efforts. 3) Members reviewed a print-out of their biographies and reported their length of service on the CRPC. 4) Michele McCormick distributed a list of stakeholders and members contributed additional names. Michele will finalize and send the invitation letters. Members pondered whether to limit stakeholder meeting invitations to stakeholder group leaders only. 5) Commission members reviewed the Stakeholder Meeting Format written by Michele McCormick; they also discussed the possibility of videotaping the meetings for posting on the City and/or the CRPC websites and the composition of the FAQ handouts for the meetings. Michele McCormick will draft the first version of the FAQ and circulate them to Commission members by email.

4. Briefing by Commission Chair on Sacramento Police Department Meetings with Lamberth Consulting

Location: (Citywide)

Recommendation: Review and comment.

Contact: Crystal Taylor, Commission Chair.

Action: Commission Chair Crystal Taylor reported on her attendance on Monday, July 14, 2008 as an observer at a series of meetings between Dr. John Lamberth and Sacramento Police Department staff concerning the progress of the Vehicle Stop Study.

5. Discussion to Address Need for CRPC Special Meeting before Lamberth Report Rollout to City Council

Location: (Citywide)

Recommendation: Review and comment.

Contact: Crystal Taylor, Commission Chair.

Action: Commission members discussed the need to schedule a special CRPC meeting between the current meeting and the rollout of the Lamberth Traffic Stop Study Report. Moved, seconded, carried (Cridge/Brown; Absent – Vera) to hold a special

CRPC meeting on July 31, 2008 at the usual location. Moved, seconded, carried (Taylor/Kawamoto; Absent – Vera) to hold the August 2008 CRPC meeting on August 14, 2008 at 5 p.m. shortly before the start of the second stakeholder meeting at the Oak Park Community Center at 3425 Martin Luther King J., Blvd. Jerry Hicks of the City Attorney's office will conduct additional research and determine whether the stakeholder meetings scheduled to follow the study rollout and/or any briefings to the Commission would be considered CRPC meetings.

6. Police Department Activities Influencing Study Data and Report Out of Compliance Statistics

Location: (Citywide)

Recommendation: Review and comment.

Contact: Deputy Chief Brian Louie, (916) 808-0800, Police Department.

Action: DC Louie reported that the Department continues to collect Vehicle Stop Data Forms for each traffic stop made in the City and that the compliance rate is currently in the low 90% range. Directed enforcement continues for a home invasion series in Natomas, although the robbery activity has shifted to the Meadowview Rd and 24th Street area.

Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda

7. None.

Questions, Ideas, and Announcements of Commission Members

8. Commission members requested information about the Sacramento Police Department's policy on illegal immigrants. Staff pointed out that federal immigration laws are enforced by federal officers.

Adjournment – 7:46 p.m.

Submitted,


Sylvia Moir, Commission Clerk

Approved,


Crystal Taylor, Chair