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CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETING
May 9, 2007
City Council Chambers, 9th Floor, City Hall
Minutes

Members Present:
Chairperson Adrianne Sears
Vice Chairperson David P. Stewart
Commissioner Cleveland Brown
Commissioner Joy Brown-Price
Commissioner Nannette Marchand
Commissioner Wayne Spencer
Commissioner Judy A. Bowles
Commissioner Donald Nicholson
Commissioner Gerald Thompson
Commissioner Rita Hall

Members Absent:
Commissioner Ozell Butler

Staff Present
Mr. Jeff Muir, Assistant City Administrator
Ms. Katie Howe, Administrative Analyst
Ms. Kathy Ares, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER
Chairperson Sears called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m. A quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Commissioner Sears led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION
Commissioner Hall gave the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Ms. Deborah Banks voiced concern regarding an incident that took place approximately two weeks ago. According to Ms. Banks, a trespasser forced entry into the gated community where she resides. Ms. Banks is of the opinion, that officers did not respond in a timely fashion and that the incident was handled in a poor manner. She commented on the perception that the community has about Inglewood police officers and the need for dialogue between the community and police officers. Ms. Banks advised the commission that an e-mail concerning the incident was sent to the Mayor, Councilman Morales, and Chief Davis. She is requesting that the matter be investigated.

Ms. Raena Banks added to remarks given by Ms. Deborah Banks. Ms. Banks commented on the need of a better relationship between residents and police officers. She too is requesting that the matter be investigated.

The commission strongly recommended that the affected residents file a formal complaint with the Inglewood Police Department.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Commissioner Brown-Price requested an edit to the April 4, 2007 minutes: on page 3, under "Commission Members Remarks," in paragraph 1, the word "commented" be changed to "commended."

It was moved by Vice Chairperson Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Brown-Price that the minutes of the April 4, 2007 meeting be approved with corrections.

The Motion carried.

COMMISSION ADVISOR REPORTS

Assistant City Administrator, Jeff Muir shared that the City Council reviewed the CPOC Administrative Manual and recommended minor changes, however the CPOC has sole authority over language in their manual, as stated in the ordinance, and the manual is currently in effect.

It was moved by Commissioner Nicholson and seconded by Vice Chairperson Stewart that the ad hoc committee be dissolved.

Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration of Administrative Manual and Council discussion- the item was pulled.

Chairperson Sears introduced Mr. Cleveland Brown, newly appointed District 1 Commissioner. Chairperson Sears advised the commission that Commissioner Brown will be undergoing the mandatory background check, and would be joining the commission in closed session in the near future.

Vice Chairperson Stewart, Commissioners Brown, Marchand, and Spencer left at 7:04 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Thompson left at 7:20 p.m.

Due to a lack of a quorum the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

There were no closed session items discussed.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT
There was no closed session report out.

STAFF REMARKS
There were no staff remarks.

COMMISSION MEMBERS REMARKS
There were no commission members remarks.

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

(Corrections and additions are italicized; deletions are strikeouts)