

# CITIZENS' POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION

Wednesday, August 2, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

Employment & Training Building

330- 25th Street

Conference Room 1

## MINUTES

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair David A. Brown

#### Present:

Bea Roberson  
Felix Hunziker  
Diego Garcia  
Alejandro Navarro  
Oscar Garcia  
Carol Hegstrom

**Absent:** Yenny Garcia

**Vacancies:** One

#### Administrative Staff:

Kibibi Culbertson – Present  
Adrienne Millow- Present

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

#### City Attorney's

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

### II APPROVAL OF MINUTES (August 2, 2017 approved by Bea Roberson and seconded by Alejandro Navarro)

### III AGENDA REVIEW

Draft resolution - must pass by two-thirds vote. Purposed to offer opinions on President Trump's comments about law enforcement 'roughing people up'.

### IV PUBLIC FORUM

**Rick Perez-** Was annoyed by police car lights at National Night Out. There is a divide between truth and the law. Wants to see CPRC have more power. Police are enforcement, not policy makers and guided by what citizens put in place. CPRC is for the citizens, not just to report to Police Chief and Mayor.

**Patricia Perez-** Nothing to say

**Jack Bryson-** States he is the father of young man that was with Oscar Grant when he was murdered. Extending invitation for dialog to build bridge between community and police. Forum taking place at Platinum Trendz Barbershop , 2932 Hilltop on August 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Moderated by community and police officers.

- V RESOLUTION BY CHAIR DAVID BROWN** – The CPRC does not agree with the President’s statements and condemns statements of President as they endanger the Richmond community. CPRC declares citizens in contact with Richmond PD will continue to be treated in a humane and professional manner. Motion to accept by Bea Roberson, seconded by Diego Garcia. Resolution adopted unanimously, absent Yenny.
- VI REPORT OF CITY COUNCIL LIAISON JAELE MYRICK** – Reported that an alarm reduction program put has been put in place since April to regulate and decrease the number of false alarms. First false alarm there is no charge, 3<sup>rd</sup> -\$100, 4<sup>th</sup>-\$150, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>- \$250. After 7<sup>th</sup> false alarm – no response. Registration fee is \$50 for the first year and \$30 per year thereafter. Averaging 16 false alarms a week. Hopefully voting to appoint a new council member in September.
- VII REPORT BY CHIEF OF POLICE ( Allwyn Brown or designate)** – Reported an officer involved shooting involving a Vallejo police pursuit that ended on Richmond Parkway. Being investigated by Richmond PD jointly with DA office. Reported that as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, crime is up 10% across the board. Homeowners can request crime prevention assessments at no cost. Reported that youngster’s criminology isn’t confined to one jurisdiction, gunfire activity has increased, availability of illegal fireworks has increased. The department is re-engineering its approach to July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday including re-targeted enforcement. Last night was National Night Out was a good turnout, half dozen blocks participated. US Department of Justice assessed our approach to community policing and will produce a report with recommendations. There was a protest at Kinder Morgan refinery on Monday, a few arrest were made. Recruiting for a dispatcher, ranger, cadet and crime scene technician. On August 21<sup>st</sup>, two casual officers will be sworn in. Lt. Picket is retiring August 1<sup>st</sup>, Lt. Booker will retire at end of year. JFK incident involved a husband/wife domestic violence complaint. Officers were in pursuit of husband which ended approximately 40 yards from a soccer game at JFK Park.
- VII REPORT BY RICHMOND POLICE OFFICERS’ ASSOCIATION – (Ben Therriault)** Tee Off for kids at Oakland Children’s Hospital, \$600 was donated. There was a town hall meeting on Wednesday – great event to voice opinion about law enforcement. Five thousand dollars was donated to South Side summer getaway program providing middle and elementary school youth with summer excursions to explore other environments. Participating in the Richmond Food Emporium, highlighting businesses in Richmond.
- VIII OLD BUSINESS, DISCUSSION ITEMS**
- A. RETREAT (Bea Roberson)- Handouts distributed by Bea Roberson with agenda items and proposed retreat dates in October. Discussion of food items.
  - B. K9 policy amendment (Commissioner Felix Hunziker)- A revised copy will be sent out by Labor and Management

**\*\* Executive Session \*\***

**C. CIAO status report on Pedie Perez investigation – Chair David A. Brown**

**D. No final actions taken during executive session**

**IX NEW BUSINESS**

A. Juneteenth wrap-up (Chair David A. Brown) – Commissioner Garcia participated last year. It is suggested that the location be changed next year.

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

- **CHAIRPERSON** – Will be unavailable on the 12<sup>th</sup> for the 5k walk, recommend taking fliers to hand out
  
- **Commissioner Hunziker** – No report
- **Commissioner O. Garcia** – No report
- **Commissioner Hegstrom** - About ten people visited the booth at Juneteenth.
- **Commissioner Roberson** – Met with Yenny regarding retreat. Attended National Night Out, consisting of over 30 neighborhoods, with 28<sup>th</sup> street the most attended.
- **Commissioner D. Garcia**- Attended Coffee with a Cop last month. Attending a 5k walk for school supplies at the MLK track field on August 12<sup>th</sup>. Three to four hundred people are expected.
- **Commissioner Navarro** – No report
  
- **STAFF – City Attorney Soublet** – 2017 Annual NACOLE Conference in Spokane, WA on September 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. Whoever wants to go please send an email ASAP. Chair David A. Brown suggests two newest commission members attend.

**XI ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54pm.

David A. Brown, Chair

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**Resolution of the Citizens Police Review Commission  
City of Richmond, California**

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, made statements on Friday, July 28th, 2017 to an assortment of law enforcement agencies endorsing the “rough” treatment of alleged MS13 gang members and other forms of excess force; and

**WHEREAS**, the Richmond Municipal Code provides that “the purpose of this Commission is to advise the City Council, City Manager and Chief of Police on all matters pertaining to the administration of the Richmond Police Department”; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Richmond Municipal Code (RMC) Chapter 3.54, Section 3.54.080, it is the duty of this Commission to review and evaluate the “policies, practices and procedures” of the Richmond Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Richmond Police Department policy manual, a community policing philosophy is the basis of the department’s organizational values; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Richmond Police Department Use of Force Policy 300, every member of the Richmond Police Department is expected to use force in a professional, impartial and reasonable manner.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Citizens Police Review Commission of the City of Richmond, California, condemns the dangerous statements made by the President, as they pose a danger to Richmond residents and tarnish the work the Richmond Police Department has done to establish a community policing strategy; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that every person that has contact with Richmond Police Department will continue to be treated in a humane and professional manner consistent with the policies that build trust within our community.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, at Richmond, California.

**CITIZENS POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION  
City of Richmond, California**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
David A. Brown, Chair

**ATTEST:**

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Oscar Garcia, Vice Chair

1 **Resolución de la Comisión de Revisión de la Policía Ciudadana**  
2 **Ciudad de Richmond, California**  
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4 **CONSIDERANDO** que el Presidente de los Estados Unidos, Donald J. Trump, hizo  
5 declaraciones el viernes 28 de julio de 2017 a una variedad de organismos encargados de hacer  
6 cumplir la ley que respaldaban el tratamiento "áspero" de los presuntos miembros de la banda  
7 MS13 y otras formas de exceso de fuerza; y  
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9 **CONSIDERANDO** que el Código Municipal de Richmond establece que "el propósito de esta  
10 Comisión es asesorar al Concejo Municipal, al Gerente Municipal y al Jefe de Policía en todos  
11 los asuntos relacionados con la administración del Departamento de Policía de Richmond"; y  
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13 **CONSIDERANDO** que, de conformidad con el Capítulo 3.54, Sección 3.54.080 del Código  
14 Municipal de Richmond (RMC), es deber de esta Comisión revisar y evaluar las "políticas,  
15 prácticas y procedimientos" del Departamento de Policía de Richmond; y  
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17 **CONSIDERANDO** que, de acuerdo con el manual de políticas del Departamento de Policía de  
18 Richmond, una filosofía policial comunitaria es la base de los valores organizacionales del  
19 departamento; y  
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21 **CONSIDERANDO** que, de acuerdo con la Política 300 de Uso de la Fuerza del Departamento  
22 de Policía de Richmond, se espera que cada miembro del Departamento de Policía de Richmond  
23 use la fuerza de una manera profesional, imparcial y razonable.  
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25 **POR LO TANTO, SE RESUELVE** que la Comisión de Revisión de la Policía Ciudadana de  
26 la Ciudad de Richmond, California, condena las peligrosas declaraciones hechas por el  
27 Presidente, ya que representan un peligro para los residentes de Richmond y manchan el trabajo  
28 que el Departamento de Policía de Richmond ha hecho para establecer Una estrategia de policía  
29 comunitaria; y  
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31 **SE RESUELVE ASIMISMO** que toda persona que tenga contacto con el Departamento de  
32 Policía de Richmond continuará siendo tratada de manera humana y profesional de acuerdo con  
33 las políticas que construyen la confianza dentro de nuestra comunidad.  
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35 Adoptado este \_\_\_\_\_ día de \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, en Richmond, California.  
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37 **COMISIÓN DE REVISIÓN DE POLICÍA DE CIUDADANOS**  
38 Ciudad de Richmond, California  
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41 Por: \_\_\_\_\_  
42 David A. Brown, Presidente  
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