
From: Voices For LAPD <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2026 4:53 PM
To: Police Commission
Subject: 3-24-26 BOPC meeting

ATTENTION: This email originated outside of LAPD. Do not click on links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

LAPD Police Commissioners,

Can anyone explain why a Los Angeles Police Commission meeting was abruptly canceled last week? The reason given to the members of the public for the meeting cancellation was that there was a technical audio issue. We did not see an explanation and/or apology issued for such an unfortunate state of affairs at the Police Commission where meetings are cancelled at the last moment. Whatever the cause, the Police Commission owes those who made the effort to attend the meeting, physically or virtually, an apology for the failure to hold a meeting with an adequate explanation.

Respect for people is a core value of the LAPD. Cancelling meetings at the last minute without adequate explanation demonstrates a lack of respect for the public. LAPD Police Commission leadership must do better!

Item 6 B on the agenda is a verbal presentation on the subject of 'pretext stops'. Pretext stops are an important tool of proactive policing, especially in areas that experience seriously high levels of crime and disorder. For some this is a controversial subject and radical anti-police activists have attempted to stop the LAPD in engaging in pretext stops. Proactive policing encourages officers to be on the offensive in the effort to safeguard communities and identify suspects before they find a target victim(s). Radical anti-police activists, the same people who advocate for the insane idea of abolishing the police, attempt to racialize the issue of "pretext stops". The false narrative presented by the racist activists who identify everyone primarily by race is that "Pretext stops" have a disparate adverse impact on "Black and Brown people" which are their words, not mine. Their argument presumes that the percentage of police stops on the population should correspond to the racial demographic of

the area. For example, the Los Angeles population contains 20% of Group White so the corresponding number of stops for Group White should be about 20%. This totally disregards the reality of Group White as it relates to that group committing crimes. If Group White is committing 50% of the crimes as reported by victims in crime reports then more proactive enforcement utilizing traffic stops would be impacting Group White due mostly to the demographics of the locations where the crimes are occurring. The reality is that officers are normally focused on the description of the vehicle and the suspect and also the behavior of the driver.

Officers have an interest in being proactive and preventing crime, not stopping people based on racial animus or some sort of "unconscious racism".

The LAPD has repeatedly been asked for crime suspect demographic data but to no avail. Why is that? Why can't we obtain basic information? Does the LAPD not believe in being transparent and doesn't the public have a right to such information? Such information is vital in having an honest objective discussion which impacts policing policy.

Political agendas and racial politics are being promoted by radical anti police activists in an attempt to undermine proactive policing which ultimately harms all communities.

Most people want the same thing, which is safe neighborhoods where people can go to work, go to school and live their lives without becoming victims of crime. Community policing with the community working with the police and the police working with the public is the way to reduce crime and the fear of crime and not the usual. Proactive communication and proactive policing is the way to go for the safety of everyone!

Your concerned community partners,
Voice For LAPD