

**LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT  
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2004**

The Board of Police Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles convened in regular session Tuesday, February 3, 2004, at 9:50 a.m., in Room 146, Parker Center, Los Angeles. On calling the roll, the following members were present: Commissioners Cunningham III, Skobin, Ochi, and Saucedo. Commissioner Caruso was absent. President Cunningham presiding.

PRESENT:     Assistant Chief Jim McDonnell, Acting Chief of Police  
                  Daniel R. Koenig, Executive Director  
                  Mark Burton, Senior Assistant City Attorney  
                  Julie Valenzuela, Commission Executive Assistant  
                  Jill Bogle, Hearing Reporter  
                  Officer Jose Ceja, Sergeant-at-Arms  
                  Officer Deborah Nichols, Sergeant-at-Arms  
                  Officer Ernesto Vicencio, Sergeant-at-Arms

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:**

- ?     Regular Meeting July 16, 2002
- ?     Regular Meeting August 13, 2002
- ?     Regular Meeting August 20, 2002
- ?     Regular Meeting August 27, 2002
- ?     Regular Meeting January 6, 2004

Commissioner Saucedo moved, seconded by Commissioner Skobin, to APPROVE the above matter. Unanimously APPROVED.

**2. REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE**

Acting Chief McDonnell gave the Department's "weekly crimes year to date" statistical report for the period ending January 31, 2004.

President Cunningham INSTRUCTED Executive Director Koenig to provide crime statistical reports by each Council District as well.

Acting Chief McDonnell reported, as of last week, that there were three retirements from the Department. He also reported that there were three restorations and that the Department currently has 155 recruits in the Academy.

**3. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Commissioner Saucedo acknowledged Executive Director Koenig and thanked him for his assistance with the implementation of the Ethical Charities Task Force.

Commissioner Skobin announced that there would be a “town hall” meeting in Devonshire area tonight.

Commissioner Skobin also stated that Commander Hansohn would be holding a working group that will focus on the reserve officer program on February 24, 2004.

President Cunningham asked Inspector General Birotte to provide the Commission with an update on the Blue Ribbon Rampart Review Panel. Inspector General Birotte stated that the City Council had questions, which were addressed to the President of the Board of Police Commissioners. Inspector General Birotte and Executive Director Koenig drafted a response to the Ron Deaton, Chief Legislative Analyst, which would be discussed at the Public Safety Committee meeting on Monday, February 9, 2004.

#### **4. INFORMATION – FILED ITEMS – NONE.**

#### **5. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

##### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDS FOR BOARD ACTION

Commissioner Ochi moved, seconded by Commissioner Saucedo, to APPROVE Item Nos. 5-A through 5-C. Unanimously APPROVED.

##### **5-A. FIREARMS/AMMUNITION SALES POLICE PERMIT - APPROVED**

APPROVE an application for Firearms/Ammunition Sales Police Permit from Mr. Brian R. Mills, as set forth.

##### **5-B. FIREARMS/AMMUNITION SALES POLICE PERMIT - APPROVED**

APPROVE an application for Firearms/Ammunition Sales Police Permit from Mr. William Kim, as set forth. [BPC #04-0025]

##### **5-C. FIREARMS/AMMUNITION SALES POLICE PERMIT - APPROVED**

APPROVE an application for Firearms/Ammunition Sales Police Permit from Miss Aranda A. Fuller, as set forth. [BPC #04-0026]

#### **6. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

##### COMMISSIONER REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION/ACTION

At this time, Item No. 6-I was taken out of order.

##### **6-I PRESENTATION GIVEN – CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 17, 2004**

PRESENTATION by the Department on technology to improve officer efficiency including the COPLINK computer system and recommended options for Board consideration and action.

A power point presentation was given by Assistant Chief Gascón, Office of Operations, Doug Smith, COPLINK, and Jeff Godown, Compstat Unit.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board DIRECTED the Department to report back with a written recommendation to approve the COPLINK computer system and transmit this request to the Public Safety and Budget and Finance Committees – CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 17, 2004.

**6-A. APPROVED**

APPROVE placement of the Hate Crimes Unit within Detective Bureau.

Commissioner Saucedo moved, seconded by Commissioner Skobin, to APPROVE the above matter. Unanimously APPROVED.

**6-B. STATUS UPDATE GIVEN – CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 17, 2004**

PRESENTATION by the Department on the new Police Headquarters Building and recommended options, if any, for Board consideration and action.

Assistant Chief Papa, Office of Support Services, provided a status update on the above matter.

At this time, Item No. 6-E was taken out of order.

**6-F. PRESENTATION GIVEN – CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 17, 2004**

CONTINUED FROM 01/27/04

PRESENTATION from the Personnel and Police Departments on the recruitment of police officer candidates in light of the current hiring freeze, and reduced Police Department staffing, and recommended options for Board consideration and action.

The above matter was DISCUSSED with Maggie Whelan, General Manager, Phyllis Lynes, Assistant General Manager, Scott De Young, Chief Management Analyst, Personnel Department and Commander Hansohn, Personnel Group.

The Board DIRECTED the Department to report back with recommendations regarding recruitment options, including the addition of reserve officers, and upon approval, transmit this recommendation to the Mayor and City Council – CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 17, 2004.

**6-C. UPDATE GIVEN – CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 17, 2004**

Update by the Department on the status of the FY 2003/04 budget, projections for the FY 2004/05 budget, and recommended options for Board consideration and action.

Assistant Chief Papa, Office of Support Services, provided a status update on the above matter.

**6-D. RESPONSE RECEIVED**

RECEIVE the Department's response to a Commission request for information on implementation of the new disciplinary system (Special Order 1) and recommended options for Board consideration and action, as set forth.

Commander Lillo, Professional Services Bureau, provided a response to the above matter.

**6-E. PRESENTATION GIVEN**

PRESENTATION by the Department on officer-safety issues including incidents occurring in 2003, the status of ballistic vests, helpful technology, and suggestions to improve the safety of officers working to reduce crime in Los Angeles and recommended options for Board consideration and action.

A presentation on the above matter was given by Deputy Chief McMurray, Detective Bureau.

CHIEF OF POLICE SUBMITS FOR BOARD INFORMATION/ACTION

**6-G. APPROVED – TRANSMIT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

APPROVE and TRANSMIT to the Mayor and Public Safety, Personnel, and Budget and Finance Committees, the Department's status report of the new Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), as set forth. [BPC #04-0014]

The above matter was DISCUSSED with Police Administrator Johnson, Scientific Investigation Division.

Commissioner Ochi moved, seconded by Commissioner Skobin, to APPROVE and TRANSMIT the above matter. Unanimously APPROVED.

**6-H. WITHDRAWN**

APPROVE and TRANSMIT to the Mayor and City Council, the Eighteenth Amendment to Agreement No. C-94580 between the City and Northrop Grumman Space and Mission Systems Corp. and AUTHORIZE the Chief of Police to execute this amendment, as set forth. [BPC #04-0022]

At the request of the Department, the Board WITHDREW the above matter.

**6-J. DISCUSSED - APPROVED**

DISCUSS and APPROVE the Department's Consent Decree Status Report Matrix for the week ending January 16, 2004, which reflects the compliance assessments of the Independent Monitor and the Department, as set forth. (See also Item Nos. 6-K and 6-L) [BPC #04-0015]

The above matter was DISCUSSED with Mr. Chaleff, Consent Decree Bureau.

Commissioner Saucedo moved, seconded by Commissioner Ochi, to APPROVE the above matter. Unanimously APPROVED.

INSPECTOR GENERAL SUBMITS FOR BOARD INFORMATION/ACTION

**6-K. DISCUSSED – APPROVED – (SEE DETAILED MINUTES FOLLOWING ITEM NO. 6-L)**

DISCUSS and APPROVE the Inspector General's Consent Decree Status Report Matrix for the week ending January 16, 2004, which reflects the compliance assessments of the Independent Monitor as well as the Inspector General, as set forth. (See also Item Nos. 6-J and 6-L)

[BPC #04-0015A]

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SUBMITS FOR BOARD INFORMATION/ACTION

**6-L. DISCUSSED – APPROVED – (SEE DETAILED MINUTES FOLLOWING)**

DISCUSS and APPROVE the Executive Director's Consent Decree Status Report Matrix for the week ending January 16, 2004, which reflects the compliance assessments of the Independent Monitor as well as the Executive Director, as set forth. (See also Item Nos. 6-J and 6-K)

[BPC #04-0015B]

Item Nos. 6-K and 6-L were DISCUSSED with Inspector General Birotte and Saul Romo, Policy Group, Police Commission.

Commissioner Saucedo moved, seconded by Commissioner Ochi, to APPROVE Item Nos. 6-K and 6-L. Unanimously APPROVED.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

The following person addressed the Board:

Mr. Juarez

The public hearing was closed.

**8. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

**8-A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE – PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.** Review of Officer Involved Shootings, Law Enforcement Related Injuries, and other personnel matters. Government Code Section 54957.

Commissioner Skobin moved, seconded by Commissioner Ochi, to ADOPT Item Nos. 8A-1 through 8A-5. Unanimously APPROVED.

**8A-1. ADOPTED**

1. A-D #012-03 Two Police Officers II

**8A-2. ADOPTED**

2. OIS #010-03 One Police Officer III  
One Police Officer II

**8A-3. ADOPTED**

3. LERI #A005-03 Three Police Officers III  
One Police Officer II

**8A-4. ADOPTED**

CONTINUED FROM 01/27/04

4. A-D #009-03 One Police Officer III  
One Police Officer II

**8A-5. ADOPTED**

CONTINUED FROM 01/27/04

5. A-D #011-03 One Police Officer III  
One Police Officer II

**8-B. NOT DISCUSSED**

**PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.** Government Code Section 54957.

1. Chief of Police
2. Executive Director
3. Inspector General

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board reconvened in Open Session to announce its decision regarding matters considered in Closed Session.

A motion of adjournment at 11:55 a.m. was made by Commissioner Ochi, seconded by Commissioner Skobin. Unanimously ADOPTED.

ATTEST:

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President

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Board Secretary

NOTE: For more detailed information, a certified transcript of this meeting is included as part of the permanent record of these proceedings.