

Meeting Minutes

Monthly Meeting 1st Monday of the Month

Date:	Monday, June 1, 2026
Time:	1830 – 2000 hours
Location:	Online via Zoom for Government
Board Chair:	Chairperson Johnnie Raines

Call to Order

Chairperson Raines called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Roll Call was conducted with Sergeant. Saenz, Lieutenant. Chavez, Senior Lead Officers, and CPAB Board Members.

Southwest Area Updates – Crime & Significant Incidents

Presented by Southwest Area Lieutenant Chavez

Overall, Person and Property Crimes were discussed. Covering monthly crime and crime year-to-date. Lt. Chavez spoke on a homicide that occurred on May 26th on Alsace and stated that the descendants' husband is the current person of interest. Operations South Bureau Homicide is conducting the investigation. Southwest Area has 7 homicides YTD. Residential and Business Burglaries are trending up. Southwest Detectives have conducted blitz operations at various Target locations and Whole Foods to address this concern. Cellphone robberies are also on the rise. Sgt. Saenz made the following announcements: Crenshaw cruisers will return to Sunday, June 7th. All persons that are observing the cars were directed to park their vehicles in the Crenshaw Baldwin-Hills Mall and walk to the exhibit. FIFA World Cup Fanfest is being held June 11- June 14th at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. CicLAvia returns June 28th in Leimert Park. Southwest is hosting South Bureau Citizens Police Academy starting every Wednesday, from October 7- November 25. All are welcomed to join and learn how their local police department operates.

Special Guest

Special Investigator Julie Buchwald from the Office of The Inspector General (OIG) was this month's guest speaker. Investigator Buchwald gave an in-depth overview of the office and its function. The OIG was created in the 1995 as a response to the 92 riots and Rampart scandal under the advisement of a Federal Consent Decree. The OIG is an independent civilian oversight agency that reports its findings to the police commission. The office completes, audits, reviews, and investigations of alleged misconduct, serious use of force, and other interest. Hearings from the Police Commission are recorded and made available for public review, citizens were encouraged to attend meetings held first Tuesday of every month.

Senior Lead Officer Updates

All Senior Lead Officers (SLO) shared their crime updates and community concerns in their assigned Basic Car. SLO's discussed increase of burglaries and blitz operations that are ongoing to address this issue. USC is on

summer break, E-Scooter thefts should see a reduction. SLO's also encouraged the community members to register and join the Citizens Police Academy. Street services resources and other city department information were shared if interested person wished to attend commission meetings.

Public Comment

Meeting attendees had the opportunity to address any community concerns and comments. All participants were limited to a 2-minute time slot to allow an opportunity for all attendees to speak. Topics raised included summer taskforce addressing fireworks, citizens were informed that there is no such efforts in the works however officers are heavily deployed for the holiday. Citizens were also encouraged to utilize crime tips if they observe illegal fireworks. Concerns regarding food vending and illegal dumping in Leimert Park close to the skate shop was brought up. Citizens were informed of the expansion of Southwest Bike Unit and foot beat and were provided resources to reporting violations the Bureau of Sanitation- Street Services Inspectors.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2000 hours. by Chairperson Raines. Attendees were invited to the next monthly CPAB meeting on Monday July 6, 2026, at 1830 hours on Zoom.
