SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

PUBLIC SAFETY REFORM AND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Tuesday, March 7th, 2023

5:30 P.M.

City Hall Council Chambers

1685 Main Street, Room 250

Santa Monica, CA 900401

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the PUBLIC SAFETY REFORM

AND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION will be held at 5:30 p.m., on TUESDAY, March 7th, 2023 in City

Hall Council Chambers at 1685 Main Street, Room 250, Santa Monica, CA 9041

Call to Order

Roll Call

George Centeno- present

Brian Stedge Stroud- present

Angela Scott- present

Manju Raman- present

Adya Mohanty – Absent

Dante Harrington - Absent

Craig Miller- present

Paul Winnemore- present

Jaime Cruz- present

Miranda McGlaghlin-Basseri- present

Joseph Palazzolo – present

Derek Devermont- present

Please note that Agenda Items may be reordered during the meeting at the discretion of the body.

1. Special Agenda Items
2. Update from SMPD on the complaints process.

Presentation from Deputy Chief Jacobs and Lieutenant Villegas. Discussion included role of POST (Police Officer Standards and Training), ability for those with conflicts to recuse themselves from complaint investigations, ability for complainants to receive copies of their written complaints, ease of access to new complaints form located at <https://shieldportal.leftasystems.net/external/complaint/CASantaMonicaPD> , fostering a sense of trust between those who have experienced complaint worthy treatment and Internal Affairs.

1. Discussion of SMPD transition to new ammunition, presentation from Sergeant Krueger.

Motion by Comm. Palazzolo to support the recommendations of SMPD, seconded by Comm. Stedge-Stroud. Commission recommend to the City Council that they approve the request of the SMPD to purchase and transition to 300 Advanced Armament Corporation ammunition. Motion passes with 8 yes votes, 1 abstention, and 2 absent.

2. Consent Calendar

a. Vote to approve minutes from February 2023

motion made by Comm.Raman, seconded by Comm. McGlaughlin-Basseri. passes with 8 yes votes, 1 abstention, and 2 absent.

3. Study Session

4. Continued Items -no items

5. Administrative Proceedings - none

6. Staff Administrative Items

a. Update on intern recruitment

ad hoc intern committee created to review applications- commissioners Miller, Mcglaughlin- Basseri, Centeno, Devermont

7. Public Hearing – none

8. Resolutions - none

9. Written Communications

10.Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission Member Discussion Items

a. Discussion and vote on moving start time from 5:30pm to 6:00pm and to amend bylaws to reflect this change. Comm. Mcglaughlin- Basseri motions to move start time from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Seconded by Comm Stedge Stroud. Friendly amendment to move to 6:30 with a provision that any business not conducted by 10pm be automatically continued to the next meeting under old business absent a vote to continue. Motion fails, 5 nos to 4 yes.

Motion from Comm. Raman seconded by Comm. Miller to move the start time to 6:00. Motions passes with 8 yeses and 1 no.

1. Discussion and vote on converting standing committees to ad hoc committees to facilitate virtual participation. Motion from Comm. Palazzolo and seconded by Comm. Centeno to fold the standing committees and have the chair recreate ad hoc committees. Discussion of implications of the change. Motion from Comm.Raman to close debate and call the question up for a vote, seconded by Comm. Palazzolo. Motion passes with 8 yeses and 1 abstention
2. Creation of ad hocs
	* Accountability- devermont, raman, Centeno, stedge-stroud
	* Protests and Crowd Control’ Harrington. Miller Cruz
	* Reimagining Stedge Stroud. McGlaughling Basseri Raman Miller
	* Use of Force. Centeno, devermont, Palazzolo, raman
	* Operations. Centeno, Devermont, McGlaghlin -Basseri
	* Community Eng. Co-Chairs Scott and Cruz

c. Discussion of process for and right of commissioners to add agenda items, including deadlines and any limitations. Motion from Comm. Miller to reaffirm the unfettered right for every commissioner to add an item to the agenda, assuming items are received in a timely manner. Seconded by commissioner McGlaughlin-Basseri. Motion falls with 5 nos 2 yes 2 abstentions

d. Discussion and possible motion: The PSROC encourages full participation from all members of

the public, including all PSROC commissioners, at PSROC committee meetings.

Discussion of if there are limits to commissioner attendance to ad hoc committees and standing committees. Legal representative Holtzman notes committee meetings cannot exceed a quorum. For the PSROC the maximum attendees is 5. Discussion of joint committee meetings with more than 5 participants.

Discussion: rule is you cannot have a majority of the commission participate in anything related to commission businesses without noticing the meeting as a full commission meeting. Clarification regarding “participation”- can commissioners attend without speaking? Counsel advises against this as its still a shared experience and exchange of ideas which violates the spirit of the Brown Act. . Comm. Palazzolo makes a motion to ended debate and move to the next item. Seconded by Comm. Raman. Motion passes unanimously.

e. Discussion: strengthening PSROC processes and procedures. Discussion of perceived procedural errors and technical difficulties facing the commission, appropriate noticing of the commission when these issues arise. Comm Miller suggests greater continuity for the commission via a standing item labeled “old business.” That would allow commissioners to raise past issues and receive updates from the Chair and Vice-Chair. Alternatively suggests a standing item as a Chair/Vice-Chair report through which updates can be provided Comm Raman votes to close the item, seconded by Comm. Palazzolo. Motion passes unanimously.

f. Discussion of standing committees vs. ad hoc committees. Update on the decision- making process.- item withdrawn

g. Committee Status Reports

* Accountability: Chair, Derek Devermont
	+ Motion to send report produced by accountability committee to Council made by Palazzolo, seconded by Comm Raman. Motion passes with 7 yeses and 2 abstentions.
* Protests and Crowd Control: Chair, Dante Harrington
* Reimagining Public Safety: Chair, Craig Miller
* Use of Force: George Centeno, Derek Devermont. Chair chose move two updates to next meeting.
* Operations, Staffing and Budget: George Centeno
* Community Engagement: Chair, Jaime Cruz, Angela Scott.

11. Public Input: The Commission will provide time for additional public input on matters within its

purview on items that were not on the agenda. State law prohibits the Commission from taking any

action on items not listed on the agenda, including issues raised under this agenda item.

Adjournment

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR THAT PROMOTE CIVILITY AT ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS:

• Treat everyone courteously

• Listen to others respectfully

• Give open-minded consideration to all viewpoints

• Focus on the issues and avoid personalizing debate

1. Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent

components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forging sound decisions

WAYS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT

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Written public comment. In lieu of oral public comment, the public is strongly encouraged to

submit written public comment on agenda items via email to

publicsafetyreform@santamonica.gov. Written public comment submitted before 12:00 pm on

the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. Please note the agenda item

number in the subject line of your written comments.

(2) Oral public comment. Persons wishing to address the Public Safety Reform and Oversight

Commission regarding items on the agenda must submit their name and address (optional) to

the Commission’s Secretary before the public comment section is opened for that

item. Register to speak using the speaker cards prior to the meeting.

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