

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY REFORM AND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION Thursday November 30th, 2023 6:00 P.M.

Council Chambers

1685 Main Steet, Santa Monica, CA 90401

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

AND OVERSIGHT COMMISSION will be held at 6:00 p.m., on THURSDAY November 30th, 2023

Call to Order Roll Call

Centeno - Absent

Miller- Present

Mohanty- Present

Stedge Stroud - Present

Devermont- Present

Mcglaughlin -Basseri- Absent

Harington- Present

Winnemore- Absent

Palazzolo- Absent

Cruz - Present

Raman – Absent

Scott - Present

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

1. Special Agenda Items
   1. Review of city cybersecurity policies
      1. Commissioners reviewed a cybersecurity video and completed a quiz
   2. Discussion of SMPD’s AB 481 [mandated report](https://www.santamonica.gov/ab-481-military-equipment) regarding use of approved military equipment.
      1. Discussion was held regarding the report and the absence of additional discussion/presentation from SMPD regarding their annual report. Commissioner Miller objects to a vote being taken on this issue due to the limited public input
      2. Commissioner Scott moves to continue this item to the full commission meeting on December 5th for additional discussion and representation from SMPD to respond to any questions the commission may have. Friendly amendment from Commissioner Miller for the Chair to request that SMPD provide a presentation to the commission and be prepared for a robust discussion. Motion passes with 7 yeses and 4 absent commissioners.
   3. Discussion and vote on Accountability Subcommittee’s review of SMPD’s RIPA data and associated recommendations regarding the proposed adoption of the Los Angeles Police Department pretext stop policy.

Public comment- POA representative recommends that this meeting be adjourned due to insufficient noticing period, stating 72 hours would be appropriate.

Discussion- review of revisions submitted by Commissioner Miller. CM Miller states he agrees with the concern regarding the general operating of the commission expressed by the public, and expresses belief that the commission is under resourced. CM Miller also offers to set a meeting with high level representatives from LAPD with the Chair, Vice Chair, and committee Chair present to best prepare to defend the commission’s position. Commissioner Scott asserts the importance of maintaining a growth mindset to move forward and expresses her support for these recommendations as part of having a police department that continues to strive to be better than good, and states the commission is doing their job by making suggestions to Council and Council holds the power to accept or deny their recommendations.

Motion made by Commissioner Stedge-Stroud and seconded by Commissioner Scott to adopt the report including the revisions and to send it to City Council for consideration.

Motion passes with 7 yeses and 4 absentee commissioners.

* 1. Discussion and vote regarding recommending that the City Manager allocate $25,000 to the SMPD LEAD program to provide the commissioners with training about their approach, restorative justice, and facilitated dialogs with officers in exchange for the funds.

CM Miller expressed concern regarding spending commission funds on this without being presented with an alternative.

Commissioner Scott moves to approve the recommendation to the city manager to allocate 25,000 to the LEAD program to construct a joint training program along with a certificate of completion and supports their purposes. Seconded by Commissioner Harrington.

Motion passes with 6 yeses, 1 abstention, and 4 absentee commissioners.

1. Consent Calendar
2. Study Session
3. Continued Items
4. Administrative Proceedings
5. Staff Administrative Items
6. Public Hearing
7. Resolutions
8. Written Communications
9. Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission Member Discussion Items
   1. Ad Hoc Committee Status Reports
      1. Accountability: Chair, Derek Devermont
      2. Protests and Crowd Control: Chair, Dante Harrington
      3. Reimagining Public Safety: Chair, Brian Stedge-Stroud
      4. Use of Force: George Centeno, Derek Devermont
      5. Operations, Staffing and Budget: George Centeno
      6. Community Engagement: Chair, Jaime Cruz, Angela Scott

1. Public Input: General public input is not permitted at special meetings.

Adjournment

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* 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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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.

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