



COMMUNITY AND POLICE RELATIONS COMMISSION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Chairperson Lesley called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m.

Commissioners:

Marianne Delatorre
Zachary Gomez
Michael Lesley
Daniel Orth
Diana Plazola
Daniel Long

City Staff:

Chief Jose Tellez, National City Police Department
Cpt. Alex Hernandez, National City Police Department
Lauren Maxilom, City Manager’s Office
Charles Bell Jr., City Attorney’s Office

EXCUSED ABSENCES

Motion to excuse Commission Morales absence (Orth/Delatorre- unanimous)

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Commission approved the minutes for the meeting of November 19, 2020 (Gomez/Orth - unanimous).

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

The Commission received two emails for non-agenda public comment that were read into the record. The emails were submitted by Marisa Rosales, and Laura Wilkinson Sinton.

NON-ACTION ITEMS

Non-Action Item I - Presentation and discussion by National City Police Captain Graham Young on the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (P.E.R.T).

One written public comment from Joan Rincon was read into the record.

Non-Action Item II - Presentation and discussion of National City’s Homeless Outreach Efforts by Joseph Olson, Neighborhood Services Manager.

One written public comment from Joan Rincon was read into the record.

ACTION ITEMS

Action Item I - Consideration of Chairperson Lesley’s 2020 Annual Report.

Motion to amend the draft report to include additional goals and edits to the body of the document. Update will be brought back during the May meeting. (Orth/Gomez – unanimous).

Action Item II - Establish subcommittee to review and provide recommendations on the Bylaws and Operating Procedures

One written public comment from Coyote Moon was read into the record.

Motion to appoint Commissioner Orth and Gomez to the Bylaws and Operating Procedures Subcommittee with Commissioner Orth serving as the Chair and Commissioner Gomez and Vice Chair. (Lesley/Gomez – unanimous)

CITY STAFF COMMENTS

The commission received a contact form/complaint on January 5, 2021 that was forwarded to Internal Affairs division through the Chief of Police.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Vice-Chair Delatorre requested information on the low rider community concerns, commercial cannabis and information on the timeframe to request agenda items.

Commissioner Gomez made a motion to create a public forum regarding the National City cruising ordinance and would like to invite the lowrider community and National City Police Department. (Gomes/Delatorre – unanimous). Commissioner Gomez requested a status update on the investigation of Officer Matthews.

Commissioner Orth requested copies of the Bylaws and Operating Procedures.

Commissioner Long requested Commissioners schedule 1hr, 3hr, or full shift ride-a-longs and tours of the police department through him.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. (Orth/Gomez- unanimous).

The next Regular Meeting of the CPRC is scheduled for Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Accepted by:

Lauren Maxilom, City Staff

Mike Lesley, Chair