FEBRUARY 18, 2009

The Police Commission of the City and County of San Francisco met in Room 400, City Hall, #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, at 5: 49 p.m., in a Regular Meeting.

PRESENT: Commissioners Sparks, Marshall, DeJesus, Lee, Mazzucco, Onek

Presentation of Citizens' Commendation

Chief Fong introduced Captain Casciato to present Certificates of Appreciation to Security Officers Vladimir Samokin, Ron Carolina, and Mr. Steven Hart for their actions on January 1, 2009.

Commissioner Sparks thanked Mr. Samokin, Mr. Carolina, and Mr. Hart on behalf of the Commission.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- Regular Meeting of January 28, 2009

Motion by Commissioner Lee, second by Commissioner Mazzucco. Approved 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sylvia Johnson discussed concerns.

Jeanette Burger discussed concerns regarding search for the Chief of Police and venues of meetings.

Diane Greer asked for community policing for the Potrero Hill neighborhood.

Unidentified discussed concerns.

Doug Mylar, Private Investigator, discussed concerns regarding the Garnier case.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010

Taken out of order

Mr. Ken Bukowski, CFO, presented the Department's budget for fiscal year 2009/2010.

Motion by Commissioner DeJesus, second by Commissioner Lee. Approved 6–0.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-09

APPROVAL OF THE SFPD BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010

RESOLVED that the Police Commission hereby approves the SFPD budget for fiscal year 2009/2010.

AYES: Commissioners Sparks, Marshall, DeJesus, Lee, Mazzucco, Onek

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE OFFICE OF CITIZEN COMPLAINTS' BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010

Director Joyce Hicks presented the OCC's budget for fiscal year 2009/2010.

Commissioner Sparks discussed concerns regarding cutback in personnel. Director Hicks stated that it will impact the Mediation Program since there will be no dedicated mediator to handle it.

Commissioner DeJesus also discussed concerns regarding the impact to the Mediation Program.

Commissioner Onek expressed strong support for the Mediation Program, but expressed concern that the City Attorney was not present to advise the Commission on the implications of moving the budget forward without recommendation.

Commissioner Mazzucco also expressed concern regarding the impact to the Mediation Program and stated that the budget should be passed without a recommendation.

Commissioner Lee suggested passing the budget with some kind of qualifying statement about the Commission's concerns of the impact to the Mediation Program.

Commissioner DeJesus suggested that the Director move the budget forward without the Commission's recommendation.

Motion by Commissioner DeJesus that the Director move the budget forward without the Commission's recommendation, second by Commissioner Mazzucco.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-09

APPROVAL OF THE OCC BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

RESOLVED that the Police Commission hereby approves the OCC budget for fiscal year 2009/2010 without recommendation; and further that the reason the Commission does not recommend this budget is because of the adverse impact that the loss of a Staff Attorney position would cause to the OCC's Mediation Program.

AYES: Commissioners Sparks, Marshall, DeJesus, Mazzucco

NAYS: Commissioners Lee, Onek

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sylvia Johnson discussed concerns.

REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION

- c. Commission Reports
- Commission President's Report
- Commissioners' Reports
- Status Reports:
 - Chief of Police executive search
 - Organizational and other contemporary studies
 - Rules and procedures for Patrol Specials
 - Commission Office staffing
 - Subcommittee on Violent Crime

Commissioner Sparks announced that she and two other Commissioners, along with representatives from the Mayor's Office and the Controller's Office, will be meeting with the search firm to discuss scope issues for the Chief of Police search and hopes to execute a contract within the next two weeks. Commissioner Sparks also announced that the Commission will meet in five strategic locations around the city to give everybody an opportunity to attend and give their input as to what they look for in the next Chief of Police. There will also be a questionnaire given to stakeholders as to what they look for in the new Chief of Police.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sylvia Johnson discussed concerns.

b. OCC Director's Report

- Review of Recent Activities

Director Hicks reported as to cases closed and opened, and the OCC's outreach.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

(The Commission took a brief recess from 7:42 p.m. to 7:55 p.m.)

a. Chief's Report

- Update on significant policing efforts by Department members
- 2008 Crime Trends and Homicide Overview (continued)
- 2008 Violence Reduction Plan Report

Chief Fong talked briefly about the zone strategy program and acknowledged Mr. Russ Giantini of the District Attorney's Office and Director Henry Alvarez of the SF Housing Authority.

Assistant Chief Lynch gave a brief overview of the Violence Reduction Plan report.

Deputy Chief Cashman discussed the impact of the zone enforcement strategy program.

Mr. Russ Giantini, Assistant District Attorney, discussed statistics from his office since the zone enforcement started and the collaboration between the Department and the District Attorney's Office in regards to violent crime.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- a. Commission Announcements
- b. Scheduling of items identified for consideration at future Commission Meetings

Lieutenant Reilly announced the following meetings scheduled:

February 19th, South Beach Harbor Community Room, 6 p.m.

February 23rd, Richmond Recreation Center Auditorium, 6 p.m.

February 24th, Southeast Community Facility, 6 p.m.

February 25th, St. Mary's Cathedral, 6 p.m.

March 3rd, Visitacion Valley Middle School, 6 p.m.

March 5th, John O'Connell High School Auditorium, 6 p.m.

Commissioner Sparks thanked Director Alvarez, Housing Authority, for his attendance in tonight's meeting and invited him back, at his convenience, to discuss concerns about the Housing Authority.

Commissioner Onek, in regards to PERF recommendations in the

policy level, he asked that two items that would require Charter amendments be put on the calendar some time in March. Those items are (1) increasing the Chief's discipline powers; and, (2) Looking for a possible contract for a new Chief of Police.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Mazzucco, second by Commissioner DeJesus. Approved 6-0.

Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Lieutenant Joseph Reilly Secretary San Francisco Police Commission

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