

1 [Request for Board of Supervisors hearing on the Police Department's progress on implementing three
2 agreed-upon policy changes to improve police-youth relations]

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4 Shall the Youth Commission adopt the following motion:

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6 The Youth Commission calls on the Board of Supervisors to hold a timely hearing regarding the Police
7 Department's progress on implementing the three policy recommendations that the Youth Commission
8 provided to the Police Department on March 19, 2012, in the wake of the historic first-ever joint
9 hearing of the Youth and Police Commissions of March 7, 2012, and which the Police Department
10 agreed to implement on April 4, 2012.

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12 Supplemental Information

13 On March 7, 2012, the Youth and Police Commission held a historic first-ever joint hearing that
14 lasted over four and a half hours and generated fruitful public comment from over 70 members of the
15 public, at least half of whom were youth. In turn, on March 19, 2012 the Youth Commission Youth
16 Justice Committee provided the Police Department with a memo outlining three proposed policy
17 changes that would improve police-youth relations. (The most important and detailed recommendation
18 concerned developing a new training on youth-police relations based on national best practices.)
19 Happily, at the April 4, 2012 meeting of the Police Commission, Police Chief Greg Suhr committed the
20 department to implement all three of these recommendations and to do so on an aggressive timeline.
21 However, despite initial meetings and email correspondence between the Youth Commission and the
22 Police Department in April and May of 2012, as well as sporadic communication over the summer of
23 2012, the Youth Commission has been unable to get a substantive response from the Police
24 Department regarding the department's progress, if any, towards implementing these
25 recommendations.