



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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Friday, September 7, 2012

8:00 AM

AUDIO AND VIDEO LINKS OF ENTIRE MEETING (12-4289)

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Present: Chair Lourdes G. Baird, Vice Chair Cecil Murray,
Commissioner Carlos R. Moreno Commissioner Jim McDonnell,
Commissioner Dickran M. Tevrizian, and Commissioner Robert Bonner

Excused: Commissioner Alexander Busansky

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order. (12-4154)

The meeting was called to order at 9:22 a.m.

2. Approval of the August 3, 2012 meeting minutes. (12-4155)

On motion of Commissioner Tevrizian, seconded by Commissioner McDonnell, this item was approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS](#)

II. REPORTS

3. Report and updates by Miriam A. Krinsky, Executive Director, and Richard E. Drooyan, General Counsel, and discussion of possible dates for next Commission meeting. (12-4156)

Miriam Krinsky, Executive Director, reported that the investigatory teams will present findings generated from witness testimony and approximately 150 individuals who were interviewed by the investigatory

teams, volunteers and members of the Executive Director's office. Ms. Krinsky added that over 15,000 pages of documents and materials have been reviewed along with other information that was provided to the General Counsel and Executive Director's office. The investigatory phase has ended and the drafting phase of the report is underway. The Executive Director is coordinating with the Chief Executive Office and the Chairman of the Board's office on the date for presentation to them of the Commission's report.

Ms. Krinsky reported that September 28, 2012 is targeted as the final meeting date and release of the report, with October 5, 2012 as the backup date, in the event the process is delayed. A notice will be posted on the Commission's website as soon as a date is determined.

Ms. Krinsky stated that the Commission's website will continue to reflect the work conducted by the Commission and will include transcripts of meetings where witnesses testified, audio links to access recordings of all meetings and documents and exhibits referenced during all meetings. Ms. Krinsky added that the ongoing interest in the work that is being done remains active and reported nearly 29,000 visits to the website.

Richard Drooyan, General Counsel, reported that drafts of the chapters worked on by the investigatory teams will be provided to Commissioners for feedback. Commissioners were asked to submit all comments to the General Counsel's office by September 17, 2012. Mr. Drooyan added that September 17, 2012 through September 24, 2012 will be the time-frame utilized to incorporate comments and recommendations in order to finalize the report for the proposed September 28, 2012 meeting. Mr. Drooyan encouraged Commissioners to submit their comments and recommendations as they reviewed each chapter.

Eric Preven, Treva Ellison and Arnold Sachs addressed the Commission.

4. Report from the Executive Director and the Office of the General Counsel on CCJV Report and Investigatory Team Findings. (12-4157)

Richard Drooyan, General Counsel, reported that although six Deputy General Counsel will be presenting findings, a total of ten law firms took part in the investigations.

Deputy General Counsel David Schindler, Latham & Watkins LLP, provided an overview of the ten CCJV Management team findings. The team conducted, attended or reviewed more than 100 witness interviews;

including expert interviews, and with the help of Miriam Krinsky and Richard Drooyan assembled a body of evidence that represents the findings.

Deputy General Counsel Maurice Suh, Gibson Dunn, reported that his team investigated use of force and allegations of excessive use of force by reviewing inmate interviews, conducting interviews of inmates, non-inmates, and current and former Deputy Sheriff personnel, consulting with experts, and reviewing statistics. Mr. Suh provided an overview of 15 findings generated from the investigation.

Deputy General Counsel Douglas Axel, Sidley Austin LLP, reported that his team investigated institutional aspects of culture in the Department that may contribute to use of force. Mr. Axel provided an overview of nine findings that were assembled by his team.

Deputy General Counsel Tamerlin Godley, Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, reported that her team was tasked with reviewing personnel policies, practices and training. Ms. Tamerlin provided an overview of 13 findings prepared by her team.

Open session recessed at 11:14 a.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding (Commissioner Busansky being absent).

Open Session reconvened at 11:24 a.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding (Commissioner Busansky being absent).

Ms. Krinsky identified best practices and highlighted various key aspects found in comparison to other jails that have experienced similar issues.

Deputy General Counsel Bert Deixler, Kendall, Brill & Klieger LLP, reported that his team investigated the Sheriff's Department's handling of issues pertaining to reporting, investigating and disciplining use of force in County jails. Mr. Deixler presented an overview of 11 findings prepared by his team.

Deputy General Counsel Robert Swerdlow, O'Melveny & Myers LLP, reported that his team was tasked with reviewing management and the multiple entities responsible for overseeing aspects of the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Swerdlow provided an overview of 6 findings prepared by his team.

Executive Director Miriam Krinsky presented findings consisting of data gathered from visits made to jails outside of Los Angeles County.

Richard E. Drooyan, Miriam Krinsky, Maurice Suh, Douglas Axel, Robert Swerdlow, Bert Deixler, and Tamerlin Godley responded to questions posed by the Commissioners.

Open session recessed at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding (Commissioner Busansky being absent).

Open Session reconvened at 1:25 p.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, McDonnell, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding (Commissioners Busansky and Moreno being absent).

Fanya Baruti, Catherine Clinch, James Porter, Mark-Anthony Johnson, Ezak Perez, Patrisse Cullors, Alejandra Lemus, Arnold Sachs, and Sandra Neal addressed the Commission.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

5. Items not on the agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Commission, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (12-4158)

There were no items addressed.

6. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-4159)

Catherine Clinch, Peter Eliasberg, Lynne Lyman, and Steve Rochelle addressed the Commission.

7. Adjournment. (12-4160)

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.