



LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Date: 4/21/2022

MOTION TITLE: Subpoena Process

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2021 the Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission (COC) unanimously adopted motion authorizing the Chair and Vice Chair to forthwith secure special investigative counsel on a pro bono basis to conduct a detailed investigation on behalf of the COC “into the existence of deputy gangs, cliques, or exclusionary subgroups and to advise the COC on its use of its subpoena power in aid of the investigation (a copy of which is attached hereto);

WHEREAS, the Chair, pursuant to said motion has secured the services of lead special investigative counsel for the COC’s investigation, Bert Deixler, and experienced attorneys from many prominent law firms in Los Angeles, including Kendall, Brill & Kelly, Covington & Burling, Vedder, Price, Winston & Strawn, Bird & Marella, Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, Munger, Towles & Olson, Proskauer Rose, and others, all on a pro bono basis and at no cost to the County of Los Angeles;

WHEREAS, some witnesses having knowledge relating to deputy cliques, gangs and/or exclusionary subgroups may not wish to have their identities disclosed or disclosed prematurely; further that such premature disclosure in some cases will impede the COC’s investigation through pro bono counsel;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS MOVED AND SECONDED AS FOLLOWS:

In conjunction with the Civilian Oversight Commission’s pro bono counsel-supported independent investigation of deputy cliques, gangs, and/or exclusionary subgroups, the Chair or the Vice Chair is authorized to sign subpoenas pursuant to any or all authority the COC has to subpoena witnesses before it, following a review of the Commission’s Ad Hoc Committee regarding Subpoenas. All such subpoenas shall be presented to the full Commission for ratification of the Chair’s or Vice Chair’s actions.

Motion

Robert Bonner: Aye

Jamon R. Hicks: Aye

Patti Giggans: Aye

Sean Kennedy: Aye

James P. Harris: Not present

Lael Rubin: Aye