

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 381B LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

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Friday, September 28, 2012 10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-4623)

Attachments: AUDIO

Present: Chair Lourdes G. Baird, Vice Chair Cecil Murray,

Commissioner Robert Bonner, Commissioner Alexander Busansky, Commissioner Jim McDonnell, Commissioner Carlos R. Moreno and

Commissioner Dickran M. Tevrizian

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order. (12-4351)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Baird at 10:11 a.m.

2. Approval of the September 7, 2012 meeting minutes. (12-4353)

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

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS</u>

II. REPORTS

3. Consideration and approval of Final Report of the Commission. (12-4354)

Miriam Krinsky, Executive Director, thanked Commissioners, volunteers and staff, pro bono law firms, County Staff, former and present Sheriff personnel who testified, and her staff for all their assistance during the nine month investigation. Ms. Krinsky stated that the Commission's report is convincing, clear and reflects a persistent pattern of excessive use of force in Los Angeles County Jails. Ms. Krinsky added that the solutions are clear and the report contains 63 recommendations with a clear blue print for reform.

Deputy General Counsel Marcellus McRae, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, read excerpts from the report relating to patterns of unnecessary and excessive use of force in Los Angeles County Jails and summarized the Commission's 12 recommendations for implementation of comprehensive force policies, reliable reporting procedures and the ability to track statistical data.

Deputy General Counsel David Schindler, Latham & Watkins LLP, read excerpts from the report prepared in collaboration with Aaron Murphy, Hema Patel and William Yu, relating to the senior leadership and management of Los Angeles County Jails, in particular Men's Central Jail and summarized the Commission's 14 recommendations that would ensure accountability and oversight of jail operations.

Deputy General Counsel Fernando L. Aenlle-Rocha of White & Case LLP, read excerpts from the report prepared in collaboration with Kimberly A. Dunne and Douglas A. Axel of Sydley Austin LLP, relating to a troubling culture in Custody that resulted in the excessive use of force in the jails and summarized the Commission's 8 recommendations for a lasting transformation of the culture in Custody.

Deputy General Counsel Tamerlin J. Godley, Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, read excerpts from the report relating to personnel and training policies and practices and summarized the Commission's 10 recommendations that address the needs of Custody personnel with a long-term goal of establishing a stand-alone Custody Division.

Deputy General Counsel James Sanders, Reed Smith LLP, read excerpts from the report prepared in conjunction with lawyers from Proskauer Rose LLP and Kendall, Brigg & Klieger LLP regarding the need for a discipline system that will investigate improper use of force and dishonesty in the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Sanders summarized the Commission's 15 recommendations for reform that would impose appropriate discipline for any misconduct.

Deputy General Counsel Robert M. Swerdlow, O'Melveny & Myers LLP, read excerpts from the report with regard to established oversight bodies in the Sheriff's Department that are limited in their ability to effectively tackle excessive use of force issues and summarized the Commission's four recommendations that would provide comprehensive oversight and monitoring of the Department and its jails.

Commissioners and Richard Drooyan, General Counsel, expressed their gratitude, provided thoughts about the report and expressed hope in having the Sheriff and the Board of Supervisors embrace the findings and recommendations made by the Commission and move forward with restoring confidence in the constitutional operations of Los Angeles County jails.

Eric Preven, Patrisse Cullors, Peter Eliasberg, Mary Sutton, Hamid Khan, Joseph Maizlish, Mark-Anthony Johnson and Jose Castaneda addressed the Commission.

On motion of Chair Baird, seconded by Commissioner Tevrizian, the Commission approved the report and directed the Executive Director to transmit the report to the Board of Supervisors.

Attachments: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COMMISSION REPORT

STATEMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

III. MISCELLANEOUS

4. 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. (12-4355)

There were no items addressed

 Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-4356)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

6. Adjournment. (12-4357)

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.