



REPORT TO COUNCIL

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Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Informational Report: Community Racial Profiling Commission Quarterly
Report (January – March 2010)

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Receive and File

Contact: Katherine Lester, Lieutenant, (916) 808-0800

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Police

Division: Fiscal

Department ID: 11001021

Description/Analysis

Issue: The attached report provides the City Council with the Commission's first quarterly update of 2010.

Policy Considerations: The work of the Community Racial Profiling Commission directly supports the City Council policies of inclusion, establishing and strengthening community partnerships, and enhancing educational opportunities for the entire community.

Environmental Considerations: This report concerns administrative activities that will not have a significant effect on the environment, and does not constitute a "project" as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) [CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3); 15378(b)(2)].

Rationale for Recommendation: Pursuant to City Code 2.110.040, the Community Racial Profiling Commission is required to submit quarterly reports to the City Council.

Financial Considerations: There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable.

Respectfully Submitted by: Brian Louie
Brian Louie, Deputy Chief of Police

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Recommendation Approved:

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Background

In July 2000, the Sacramento Police Department undertook a comprehensive study of traffic stops to address perceptions of racial profiling. In March 2004, City Council approved the establishment of a formal advisory commission to provide equitable representation, accountability, and reporting from Sacramento residents on this issue of national importance, as well as provide the City with a greater opportunity to be inclusive. In November 2004, City Council confirmed selections for membership on the Community Racial Profiling Commission, whose purpose is to assist the City with its racial profiling vehicle stop study. The Commission held its first meeting in January 2005 and set its future meeting dates as the third Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Public Safety Center.

In February 2006, Lamberth Consulting was awarded the contract to conduct the Traffic Stop Data study. Lamberth Consulting staff studied police department processes of data collection and mapping, in-car camera recording of pedestrian and bicycle stops, and police department policies related to stops. Lamberth staff conducted their study on data collected between December 1, 2007 and May 31, 2008, with the final report presented to the Sacramento City Council on August 12, 2008. The commission members worked with Communications Specialist Michele McCormick to develop the Commission's presentation to Council and a series of stakeholder meetings to present and discuss the Lamberth study results. These public stakeholder meetings, held on August 13, 14 and 15, featured presentations by Dr. Lamberth and SPD Chief Rick Braziel, as well as dialogue among the attendees.

The Commission members are working to formulate recommendations to the Sacramento Police Department related to issues raised in the Lamberth report, as well as devising strategies regarding implementation of recommendations made by Dr. Lamberth. Members are also focusing on identifying future goals, responsibilities, and powers for the Commissions.



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Letter to the Mayor and City Council

July 13, 2010

Subject: Community Racial Profiling Commission Quarterly Report
(January - March 2010)

The Community Racial Profiling Commission (CRPC), established in November 2004, continued to fulfill its mission to serve as an advisory body to the City Council regarding bias free policing. This first quarterly report of 2010 describes the activities of the CRPC from January through March 2010.

Commission Membership

The following table depicts the status of Commission membership for the first quarter of 2010. New members joining the Commission during this quarter were Hugo Vera (District 6) and Lisa Gunderson (At-Large).

CRPC 2010 1st Quarter Membership			
NAME	CATEGORY	NAME	CATEGORY
Alani Cridge	District 1	Danette Brown, Chair	At-Large
David Clements	District 2	Ernest Carter	At-Large
Riley Chavis	District 3	Terilyn Jackson	At-Large
Vacant	District 4	Lisa Gunderson	At-Large
Ashiya Odeye	District 5	Brian Louie, Vice Chair, SPD	Standing
Hugo Vera	District 6	Brent Meyer, SPOA	Standing
Sean Coletta	District 7	Francine Tournour, OPSA	Standing
Vacant	District 8		

The Mission of the Community Racial Profiling Commission is to serve as an advisory body of our community regarding bias free policing.

Since the last quarterly update, the Commission has experienced and accomplished the following:

Selection of 2010 CRPC Chair

Members voted to elect Danette Brown (At-Large) as Commission Chair for 2010.

Discussion to Prepare Report Back Memo to Council on Commission's Future Duties Relating to Community Outreach and Recruiting

Discussed video clip of the November 10, 2009 City Council meeting (Agenda Item 21) which was shown, along with public comments by Rev. Ashiya Odeye, Kenneth Muhammad and Bishop Ron Allen. At this Council meeting, Councilmember Hammond requested a report back from the Commission on ways to establish better relationships between the police department and the community.

Department ride-a-longs were encouraged to members of the Commission as a mechanism for better understanding of department policies. A recommendation was made by Commission members to have department staff provide an overview of current police community outreach and recruiting efforts, prior to discussion and formulation of their report back memo to Council. DC Louie arranged for staff presentations at the next meeting, scheduled for February 18, 2010.

Presentations by Police Staff Regarding the Department's Community Outreach Efforts

Sacramento Police Department area Captains, Dan Hahn (North), Dan Schiele (South) and Dana Matthes (Central) discussed community outreach events, activities and updates in their respective areas; Public Information Officer (PIO) Norm Leong discussed the PIO's role in the department's efforts toward transparency and keeping the community informed, utilizing social network media, such as Facebook and Twitter. Administrative Analyst, Robert Schroeder demonstrated the recently updated Sacramento Police Department website; Sergeant Shawn Rogers and Officer Justin Brown discussed the department's recruitment process; Sergeant David Hogge explained the new immersion program. The immersion program is a training process and tool used to bring cultural diversity awareness to new recruits, which has been incorporated into the new recruit training at the Academy.

Comments and Operational Updates on Sacramento Police Department Activities

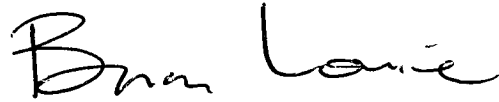
DC Louie reported that the Sacramento Police Department has continued to maintain the Vehicle Stop Data Form (VSDF) compliance rate in the high 90th percentile throughout the past quarter. Directed enforcement has been active throughout the City due to an increase in street robberies in the north area as well as a dramatic increase in burglaries in the south area.

Commission members will continue to contemplate and discuss the dimensions of their purpose and their powers and duties in serving as an advisory body regarding vehicle stop data collection and bias free policing to the City Council and as a liaison to the Community regarding the results of the Lamberth study.

Sincerely,



Danette Brown, 2010 Chair, CRPC



Brian Louie, 2010 Vice Chair, CRPC