



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Information  
April 15, 2008

**Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council**

**Title: Informational Report: Community Racial Profiling Commission Quarterly  
Report (October - December 2007)**

**Location/Council District: Citywide**

**Recommendation: Receive and File**

**Contact: Sylvia Moir, Lieutenant, (916) 808-0866**

**Presenters: Not applicable**

**Department: Police**

**Division: Fiscal**

**Organization No: 2112**

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** The attached report provides the City Council with the Commission's fourth quarterly update of 2007.

**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

Approved by: Rick Brazier  
Rick Brazier, Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:

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City Manager

Ref: COP 3-14

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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 6:00 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 decided to conduct their study on data collected between October 1, 2006, and September 30, 2007, and selected benchmark sites for their study. Surveyor training began in September 2006; data collection began on October 1, 2006 and continued through September of 2007, with the final report to the Sacramento City Council expected in 2008. The commission members will continue to meet with Lamberth staff throughout the duration of the data collection project.



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## Letter to the Mayor and City Council

April 15, 2008

Subject: Community Racial Profiling Commission Quarterly Report  
(October - December 2007)

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 fourth quarterly report of 2007 describes the activities of the CRPC from October to December 2007.

### Commission Membership

The following table depicts the fourth quarter status of Commission membership. Chair Ernest Carter ended his year of service to the Commission, and At-Large member Crystal Taylor was elected Chair for 2008. The Commission's Vice Chair, Deputy Chief Steve Segura, retired from the Sacramento Police Department after 30 years of service to the public. Deputy Chief Brian Louie will replace DC Segura as Vice Chair in 2008. Daniela Lopez-Garcia joined the Commission as representative for District 5. Brent Meyer, Sacramento Police Officers Association President, joined the Commission as Standing Member representing the SPOA.

CRPC 2007 Fourth Quarter Membership			
NAME	CATEGORY	NAME	CATEGORY
<i>Vacant</i>	District 1	Danette Brown	At-Large
Walter Kawamoto	District 2	Ernest Carter, Chair	At-Large
<i>Vacant</i>	District 3	Renee Carter	At-Large
John Floyd	District 4	Crystal Taylor	At-Large
Daniela Lopez-Garcia	District 5	Steve Segura, Vice Chair, SPD	Standing
Julia Vera	District 6	Brent Meyer, SPOA	Standing
Sean Coletta	District 7	Francine Tournour, OPSA	Standing
<i>Vacant</i>	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:

#### **Discussion on Lamberth Workshop and the Vehicle Stop Study Release –**

Commission members:

- ❖ Shared impressions of the Lamberth workshop, held at the September 22, 2007 CRPC meeting, noting the diversity of perspectives of the traffic stop racial profiling issue;
- ❖ Discussed how the Lamberth study results will be presented to the City Manager, the Commission, the City Council, and the community;
- ❖ Determined that the Commission will prepare a written report on the study results;
- ❖ Noted that a communication specialist will be working with the Commission to produce the written report and facilitate their interactions with the City Council and the community.

#### **Presentation/Workshop with Communication Specialist Michele McCormick –**

Michele McCormick of MMC Communications led a discussion on effective community outreach following release of the Lamberth racial profiling study results, focusing on:

- ❖ Identifying key community stakeholders;
- ❖ Identifying key information to convey to the public about the study methodology;
- ❖ Identifying materials to provide to the public to aid understanding;
- ❖ Identifying Commission needs in communicating the study results.

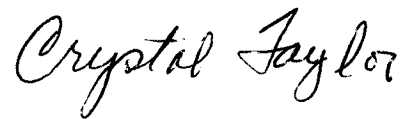
#### **Operational Update on Sacramento Police Department Activities–**

Deputy Chief Steve Segura briefed Commission members throughout the quarter on Police Department activities and programs that could affect the frequency, location, or focus of traffic stops during the study period.

#### **Goals –**

Commission members continue to contemplate and discuss the dimensions of their purpose and their powers and duties in serving as an advisory body to the City regarding vehicle stop data collection, analysis processes and interpretation, and vehicle stop study release procedures. The Commission meets and counsels regularly with Lamberth Consulting and has worked with Communication Specialist Michele McCormick to ensure that the design, implementation, and release of the traffic stop study result in an accurate report on the status of vehicle stops in the city of Sacramento.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Crystal Taylor in black ink.

Crystal Taylor, 2008 Chair, CRPC

Handwritten signature of Brian Louie in black ink.

Brian Louie, 2008 Vice Chair, CRPC