



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Information
 October 23, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
 Members of the City Council

Title: Informational Report: Community Racial Profiling Commission Quarterly
 Report (April – June 2007)

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Receive and File

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

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Police

Division: Fiscal/Economic Development

Organization No: 2112

Description/Analysis

Issue: The attached report provides the City Council with the Commission's second 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.

Attachment 1

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 will continue through September of 2007, with the final report to the Sacramento City Council expected in January 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

October 23, 2007

Subject: Community Racial Profiling Commission Quarterly Report
(April – June 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 second quarterly report of 2007 describes the activities of the CRPC from April to June 2007.

Commission Membership

The following table depicts the second quarter status of Commission membership. Aaron Evans (District 8) resigned his seat on the Commission, effective April 4, 2007. Lieutenant Sylvia Moir replaced Captain James Maccoun as Commission Clerk, effective April 28, 2007.

CRPC 2007 Second Quarter Membership			
NAME	CATEGORY	NAME	CATEGORY
Vacant	District 1	Danette Brown	At-Large
Walter Kawamoto	District 2	Ernest Carter, Chair	At-Large
Manuel Valencia III	District 3	Renee Carter	At-Large
John Floyd	District 4	Crystal Taylor	At-Large
Linda Love	District 5	Steve Segura, Vice Chair, SPD	Standing
Julia Vera	District 6	Jerry Camous, 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:

Traffic Stop Data Study –

In meeting with the Commission members, Project Consultants John Lamberth and Jerry Clayton:

- ❖ Reported that Lamberth surveyors had completed all benchmarking sessions;
- ❖ Reported that Lamberth Consulting staff was ready to receive and process the first six-month set of traffic stop data from the Police Department;
- ❖ Led discussion with Commission members and Jerry Hicks of the Office of the City Attorney about the upcoming Community/Police Department workshop, scheduled for Saturday, September 22, 2007; and
- ❖ Led discussion with Commission members about their role in advising the City Council on the study results the Lamberth Consultants expect to release in January 2008.

Discussion on Addressing City Council –

Commission members discussed addressing the City Council to:

- ❖ Change Ordinance 2004-17, adopted on April 8, 2004, to require meetings “at least once a quarter” rather than the present “at least once a month”. Members requested that the Commission vote on the issue in the next quarter;
- ❖ Determine whether the Council intended Commission to analyze pedestrian and bike stops; and
- ❖ Request that the Council widen the scope of Commission powers and duties.

Operational Update on Sacramento Police Department Activities–

Deputy Chief Segura reported that the Police Department continues to operate the Violence Reduction Team to prioritize crimes and assign specialty units to high crime areas. This operation will affect officer deployment and reflect in traffic stop data. Lamberth consultants explained that special operations would be considered and documented if the data collection study finds disparities in traffic stop demographics.

City Attorney Liaison – At the request of Commission members, a representative from the Office of the City Attorney has attended each monthly meeting since January 2007 to clarify any procedural or charter issues that may arise.

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 traffic stop data collection and analysis processes and interpretation. The Commission meets and counsels regularly with Lamberth Consulting to ensure that the design and implementation of the traffic stop study result in an accurate report on the status of vehicle stops in the city of Sacramento.

Sincerely,

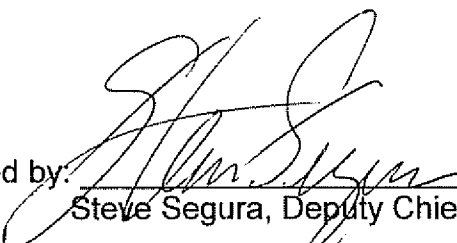


Ernest Carter, 2007 Chair, CRPC




Steve Segura, 2007 Vice Chair, CRPC

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
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Approved by: 
Albert Nájera, Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:


Ray Kerridge
City Manager

Ref: COP 8-17

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