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CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION MEETING

December 12, 2007 City Council Chambers, 9th Floor, City Hall Minutes

Members Present:

Chairperson Adrianne Sears
Commissioner Joy Brown-Price
Commissioner Nannette Marchand
Commissioner Wayne Spencer
Commissioner Judy Bowles
Commissioner Donald Nicholson
Commissioner Gerald Thompson
Commissioner Rita Hall

Members Absent:

Vice Chairperson David P. Stewart Commissioner Cleveland Brown Commissioner Ozell Butler

Staff Present

Ms. Jacqueline Seabrooks, Chief of Police Ms. Kathy Ares, Recording Secretary Ms. Tunisha Johnson, Administrative Aide

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Sears called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. A quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Marchand led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Thompson gave the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Spencer and seconded by Commissioner Hall that the minutes of the October 10, 2007 meeting be approved.

The motion carried.

COMMISSION ADVISOR REPORTS

There were no commission advisor reports.

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DISCUSSION

Staff announced that elections for chairperson and vice chairperson are scheduled for January 9, 2008. Commissioners interested in running for the office of chairperson and vice chairperson must submit their name by Wednesday, January 2, 2008. Staff advised the commission that brief presentations may be given by candidates prior to the casting of ballots.

Commissioner Nicholson requested that his name be placed on the ballot for the office of Vice Chairperson.

CLOSED SESSION

The Citizen Police Oversight Commission recessed for closed session at 6:43 p.m.

Commissioner Spencer left at 8:20 p.m.

Closed session adjourned at 8:57 p.m. The public session reconvened in the City Council Chambers at 9:05 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT

Staff reported that 5 complaints were reviewed; 4 complaints were referred to the police department for further investigation; and 1 complaint was considered "no further investigation required."

STAFF REMARKS

There were no staff remarks.

COMMISSION MEMBERS REMARKS

Commissioner Nicholson wished everyone a good night and God Bless.

Commissioner Bowles commented that she appreciates the Chief of Police being present at the meeting and looks forward to seeing her at the next meeting. Commissioner Bowles requested that the commission extend an invitation to the police unions to attend a commission meeting. Commissioner Bowles wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Thompson commented that it was great to be at the meeting and wished the commission a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Hall commented on the Chief of Police's thorough grasp of the police department and believes that the community will see vast improvements in the police force in the next eighteen to twenty-four months. Commissioner Hall advised the commission that she will not be at next month's meeting and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Commissioner Brown-Price commented that she was happy to see Councilman Franklin at the meeting, and the chief of police present during closed session. She also commented that the chief involvement will allow her to watch the overall progress of the commission.

Commissioner Marchand commented that she was happy to see the progress of the commission. Commissioner Marchand requested that review of the Brown Act be placed on the January or February agenda. She believes that Brown Act violations may have occurred during closed session. Commissioner Marchand wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year.

Chairperson Sears commented that she appreciates the chief of police attendance and her sharing of her upcoming plans. Chairperson Sears also commented that she was advised by the former Acting City Administrator, Jeff Muir, of monies allocated in the city's budget for the commission. She is requesting the status of the budget, and inquiring if the monies have been earmarked for something specific.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.