

League of Women Voters Los Angeles Observer's Report: Police Commission Meeting 6/26/18
Agenda: <http://assets.lapdonline.org/assets/pdf/062618.pdf>

- Former Police Chief Charlie Beck was absent from the meeting.

Consent Agenda Items:

- 1A: Personal expense statement of Charlie Beck was approved by the board
- 1B: Monetary donation of \$70,000 to be used for inauguration of next Chief, Michael Moore
- Board approved this item
- Public comment: Jonathan Porter: these expenses are a "waste,..the FBI did not arrest "him" (Beck)

Regular Agenda Items:

- 2A: Executive director's report was approved by the board

- 3A: Report of the Chief of Police (given by Assistant Chief Beatrice Girmala)
- Condolences to Mack and the Long Beach Fire Department
- Decreases in crime:
 - Citywide violent crime: 2.7%
 - Property crime: 2.8%
 - Homicide: 8.5%
 - Gang: 21.4%
 - Gang homicide: 32%
 - DUI 16.4%
 - Overall crime: 2.8%
 - Last year saw an increase by 1.1%
- 10,026 personnel in the LAPD

Public Comment Period:

- Valerie Rivera:
 - "Where is Charlie Beck?"
 - Asked why an automobile was not mentioned in the police report
 - Her son, Eric Rivera, was killed during an officer-involved shooting.

- Paula Meyer, Black Lives Matter:
 - Hopes the next chief will do "better"
 - Wakeisha Wilson's tape is missing 22 minutes; a failure to provide complete information
 - Cannot "get rid of" police corruption all the way
- A public commenter:
 - Claimed "Charlie Beck let Eric Rivera's 'murderers' back on the street"
 - The Chief's report indicates crime is decreasing, but that means more police, more bullets.
- Jonathan Porter:
 - Claims that "The Israelis run the police."
 - He watched 16 minutes of police officers hitting someone with "beanbags" not nets.
- Christina ?
 - Claims to have been harassed by the aerial LAPD unit because of her "politics" for 6 years.
 - Helicopters fly over her house while she is showering in the middle of the night. She claims this is not a coincidence.

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- A public commenter, the DTLA Neighborhood Council:
Her friend was stabbed with a plywood/nail.
- . Claims that LAPD resources are scarce.
- . It takes too long to book minor crimes —> inefficiency
(Outburst from the public audience in disagreement)
- A public commenter:
Wants to share numerous complaints of police misconduct privately with a captain. .Is taken aside by the captain of Internal Affairs
- A public commenter:
Claims that there is favoritism of white men apparent, since the previous commenter was taken aside, but not Valerie Rivera.
- A public commenter:
. Wants a female police chief
. Calls for more transparency in the LAPD
. Claims that “the rest of them just bash Charlie Beck” (the other audience members) and “not all police officers are bad”
(Outburst by the audience in disagreement)
Commendation to Officer Garcia, who did “his best in a bad situation,” but she calls for resignation of Officer Han
(Outburst by several members in the public audience in disagreement)

The meeting was cut short by a confrontation between the last public commenter and the rest of the public. The meeting was adjourned and the board went into closed session.

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