

_____The Police Commission of the City and County of San Francisco met in the Southern District, at the South Beach Harbor, Pier 40 A, the Embarcadero, San Francisco, at 6:15 p.m., in a Regular Meeting.

PRESENT: Commissioners Sparks, Marshall, Campos, DeJesus, Lee, Mazzucco, Veronese

(Commissioners Sparks, Campos and Veronese arrived at 6:25 p.m.)

Commissioner Marshall, for Commissioner Sparks who was en route, welcomed the audience and asked the Commissioners to introduce themselves.

REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION

a. Chief's Report

- **Update on significant policing efforts by Department members**

Assistant Chief Lynch, for Chief Fong who was en route, welcomed the audience and introduced the Command Staff. Present were Deputy Chiefs, Tabaks, Keohane, and Shinn, Commanders Tong, Murphy, Lindo, and Lieutenant Orkes of FOB.

b. OCC Director's Report

- **Review of Recent Activities**

Director Joyce Hicks addressed the audience and talked about the duties and responsibilities of the OCC. She also introduced Investigator Dennis Maxim who was present.

c. Commission Reports

- **Commission President's Report**
- **Commissioners' Reports**

Commissioner Mazzucco commended the officers of the Department for a job well done during the war demos.

Commissioner Campos talked about the Academy training in regards to Tennants Rights and commended the quality of the recruits and thanked Captain Corriea and his staff for a job well done.

Commissioner Marshall talked about the studies being done in regards to foot patrol, boundaries, and safety cameras.

Commissioner Sparks announced that on April 16th there will be a joint meeting with the Board of Supervisors' Public Safety Committee to discuss the Foot Patrol Program and that on May 19th another joint meeting with the Board of Supervisors' Public Safety Committee to discuss the District Boundaries. Commissioner Sparks also stated that there will be press releases two weeks before the meetings.

CAPTAIN DANIEL McDONAGH, COMMANDING OFFICER OF SOUTHERN STATION, TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION ON POLICE ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Captain McDonagh addressed the Commission in regards the demographics of Southern District and crime statistics in the district. Captain McDonagh also presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Principal and Assistant Principal of Christ the King School. Ms. Martha Cohen, Mayor's Office, also present an award to the school.

Commissioner Sparks asked about part I and II crimes in the Southern. Captain McDonagh stated that narcotics is the problem around the Tenderloin and Market Street; quality of life such as auto break-ins is a problem around the South Beach area; and auto boosting and narcotics around the Mission and 12th Street area.

Commissioner Sparks asked about overtime in regards to demos and events in the Southern. Captain McDonagh stated that there's quite a bit of overtime in the Southern and that the station is about 35 to 40 officers short. He also explained that overtime is used for arrests, demos (unannounced or permitted) and even if there is an increase in staffing, there will still be overtime.

Commissioner Campos expressed concern regarding citation of the homeless and stated that resources should be used for violent crimes instead of citing people for being homeless. Commissioner Campos also expressed concern that the existence of an infraction may disqualify the individuals for state and federal programs. Captain McDonagh stated that he is not aware of the disqualification and that he would need more information on it.

Commissioner DeJesus asked how many officers are committed to outreach. Captain McDonagh stated that every officer is committed to the outreach program. Commissioner DeJesus asked for statistics from other agencies.

Commissioner Marshall stated that overall rate in violence is actually going down.

Commissioner Mazzucco asked how are resources drained due to entertainment places on Friday nights. Captain McDonagh stated that it is a big drain because individuals have been drinking and there are individuals who prey upon persons coming out of clubs and stated that about half of the homicides are nightclub-related.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Daniel Paez discussed concerns about the public disclosure of the route of the Olympic torch.

Steven Conley, District 6, thanked the department for their work with the community and presented a certificate to Captain McDonagh and the officers of Southern.

Jeff Liebowitz, District 6 resident, Rinconn South Beach CAC, expressed thanks to Captain McDonagh, his staff, and Chief Fong and stated that quality of life is a big issue in District 6.

Annemarie, ballet school, discussed concerns regarding loitering and homelessness in the area of 7th and Market Streets and thanked the officers of Southern for cleaning up the loitering in the area.

Cindy Branden, SF Safe, commended Captain McDonagh and the officers of Southern and discussed work done with the Captain and his staff.

Metali, Rinconn Hill Neighborhood Association, thanked Captain McDonagh for attending the meeting and stated that there is quality of life issues in the area and that there is a number of things that need to be addressed such as pedestrian safety and also asked for more officers because of change in the neighborhood.

Katie Liddell discussed concerns regarding pedestrian safety and thanked Captain McDonagh for always being available to the community.

Mr. Murray, retired public school worker, discussed methodology of complaints coming into the Department.

Ed, South Park property owner, discussed concerns regarding graffiti.

Unidentified, South Park resident, discussed concerns regarding police resources and suggested that the Department look for ways to do more with

less.

Metalli discussed concerns regarding low-income developments that are being dumped in the south of Market.

Chief Fong talked about the Olympic Torch event on April 9th and stated that there is still work being done as far as the route but it will be at McCovey Cove and end at Justin Hermann Plaza. Chief Fong stated that the main goal of the Department is safety for all parties.

Commissioner Campos asked when the route will be available to the public. Chief Fong stated that once it is finalized, the route will be available to the public.

Commissioner Lee thanked the Chief for emphasizing that the Department's goal is safety for all parties and suggested that the Department have daily briefings with the press in regards to the torch route.

Commissioner Veronese asked about the free speech zone. Chief Fong explained that people can choose to go to the zone on their own and that this is a space set aside for big groups to stay together.

ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- a. Commission Announcements**
- b. Items identified for consideration at future Commission Meetings**

Commissioner Lee asked for an update of DGO 7.01.

Commissioner Veronese asked for an update on the EIS system.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner DeJesus, second by Commissioner Veronese. Approved 7-0.

Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Lieutenant Joseph Reilly
Secretary
San Francisco Police Commission

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