

April 12, 2023,

REGULAR MEETING, CITY HALL

The Police Commission of the City and County of San Francisco met in Room 400, City Hall, #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco at 5:36 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Byrne, Yanez (remotely), Benedicto, Yee, Vice President Carter-Oberstone and President Elias

ABSENT: Commissioner Walker

1. Weekly Officer Recognition Certificate
Presentation of an Officer who has gone above and beyond in the performance of their duties.
 - Officer Peter Imsand #1160
 - Officer John Tynes #2744

Southern Station Officers receiving recognition. Captain Luke Martin from Southern Station spoke on an incident that Officers responded to. Officers expressed appreciation. Chief Scott presented Certificates.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

2. San Francisco Police Activities League (SFPAL) Presentation of Certificates to PAL members from SFPD Community Engagement Division
 - SF Police Activities League Youth of the Year
 - SF Police Activities League CYO Basketball League Champions

SFPD Acting Commander Arran Pera led presentation. Provided thanks to all involved. PAL youth members and retired Captain Rick Bruce, Executive Director of PAL, present. Retired Captain Rick Bruce spoke on behalf of PAL. Presented Boy of the Year award. Officer Tom Sweeney introduced the basketball team and presented recognition certificates.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Paulette Brown: Spoke on son, Aubrey Abrakasa Jr.'s, murder. Fights for not just her son's case but all unsolved homicides. Asks for justice for her son. Ask to protect young kids.

Paul Allen: Spoke on a presentation that only three Commissioners attended. Provided opinion.

Name not stated: Lives around the area. Spoke on traffic and noise in the area.

4. Consent Calendar (RECEIVE & FILE; ACTION)
 - Police Commission Report of Disciplinary Actions, 1st Quarter 2023
 - Quarterly report to the Commission regarding status and results of disciplinary matters heard before the Commission.*

Motion to receive and file: Commissioner Benedicto, Second: Commissioner Byrne.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Chief's Report

- Weekly crime trends
- Major/Significant Incidents

Chief Scott reported on crime trends YTD: Violent Crime up 3 percent; homicide NC; rape down 25 percent; robbery up 10 percent; assault up 1 percent; human trafficking down 43 percent. Property Crimes down 11 percent; burglary down 11 percent; motor vehicle theft down 6 percent; arson up 9 percent; larceny theft down 13 percent. Gun violence is even compared to 2022; Three shooting incidents this week; total 51 incidents resulting in 54 victims YTD. One homicide for the week; there are a total of 13 homicides YTD with 8 resulting from a firearm; 85% overall clearance.

Significant Incident: Reported previously, 400 block on Main Street, homicide of Robert Lee, Homicide investigators working tirelessly on case. Homicide in Tenderloin, previously reported on, investigation ongoing. Three shootings: 1st – 100 block of Kiska Road, Bayview, April 5th 6:37 pm, victim outside house when shot, victim ran inside home, victim's mother called 911, witness/relative heard gunshots but thought they were paintball rounds, victim and associates were outside shooting paintballs when incident occurred, information developed linking two subjects to the shooting, subjects located and detained, investigation on going; 2nd- April 8th 2:24 am, Sadowa and Plymouth, Ingleside, two victims walking to store when they heard one shot, one victim shot, both victims took shelter behind a parked vehicle and called 911, second victim not injured, four additional victims asleep at home when shooting occurred, victim three injured from debris falling into face, other three victims in home not injured, no arrests made, investigation ongoing; 3rd- 500 block of Mason, Central, April 8th 4:55 am, victim walking near their residence, two suspects assaulted him, punched and hit victim, when victim tried to defend themselves one subject pulled out firearm and shot victim, subjects stole victim's cell phone and wallet when they fled, victim transported and listed in serious condition, expected to survive, video footage located, no arrests made, investigation ongoing.

Significant arrest: Hot Prowl residential burglary, 600 block of 44th Ave, Taraval, April 5th, Officers were dispatched to burglary incident, found subject being held down by several people, victim returned home and found subject in home putting property in a backpack, subject ran, left backpack and victim chased subject and caught them, bystanders came to the aid of victim, Officers detained subject and determined individual to be the suspect, linked to another hot prowler in neighborhood on same day, arrest made. Robbery with gun and knife, April 3rd 5:30 pm, Coit Tower, victim, a visiting tourist, subject approached victim, subject pointed a handgun and demanded property, victim did not know if gun was real, subject produced a knife, victim gave subject money and subject fled, Officers saw subject running away and detained subject, victim positively ID'd suspect, also ID'd by Chinatown foot beat Officers as a person that also committed at least one robbery in Chinatown, arrest made. Assault with deadly weapon, April 5th 7:05 pm, Laguna and Lombard, Northern, Officers detained subject upon arrival, matched description given by dispatch, victim located with multiple facial injuries, victim transported with non-life-threatening injuries, subject ID'd by independent

witnesses, victim lives in area, subject unhoused – sleeps in front of victim’s house, arrest made, subject charged.

Strategies: Stunt driving incidents occurred over weekend, April 8th 2:30 am, Southern, Officers responded to reports of two sideshows, both events dispersed. At 4th and Nelson Rising, reports of callers about people possibly being injured, unable to locate anyone injured, no medical calls, any information regarding injuries in this case, please call 415-575-4444, can remain anonymous. Same night at 3:15 am, 3000 block of 16th, Mission, Officer dispatched to shot spotter activation, on arrival there was an active side show, stunt driving incident, 75-100 vehicles, 150 spectators, several vehicles exhibiting dangerous stunt driving/speed, spectators setting off fireworks and pointing lasers at responding Officers, Officers established plan and broke up event, searched area for casings with negative results, these type of events do receive follow up. Tenderloin efforts, seized 1303 grams of Fentanyl, YTD seized over 30,000 grams on Fentanyl, 141% increase over 2022, total arrest in Tenderloin- 231 for possession/sales of narcotics.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paulette Brown: Provided son’s case number, SFPD Case No. 60862038. Spoke on feelings regarding son’s murder, regarding son.

For anonymous tip, please call 415-575-4444

DPA Director’s Report

- Report on recent DPA activities, and announcement

Attorney Diana Rosenstein on behalf of Executive Director Henderson reported the following: In the year 2023: 206 cases opened; 210 closed; 277 pending; 16 cases sustained; 22 cases past 270-day; 5 cases mediated. Cases received in the past week: 24 new cases; - Central (5) Targeting a person due to race. Failing to properly investigate. Making an inappropriate comment. Southern (3) Officers failed to enforce the law. Arresting a person without cause and loss of property. Bayview (1) Failing to properly investigate. Mission (2) Failing to release an incident report. Park (1) Failing to properly investigate. Richmond (2) Failing to write an incident report. Failing to properly investigate. Ingleside (3) Making an inappropriate comment. Failing to properly investigate. Taraval (1) Failing to properly investigate. Tenderloin (3) Failing to write an accurate incident report. Failing to take action against drug dealers in the tenderloin. Not Applicable (2) Referral. Pending (1) Making inappropriate comments.

Audits: No new updates. Additional information is coming out next week.

Outstanding Issues: N/A

Outreach: March 23rd DPA appeared at the educational Thursday show for “Both Sides of the Conversation”, a SF nonprofit created to provide resources through effective conversations to empower Black and Brown Community, DPA’s Tinetta Thompson gave a DPA 101 presentation and answered questions.

Can be found on community calendar on the DPA’s website and posted on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and on DPA’s website. Phone number: 415-241-7711

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Commission Reports

- Commission President’s Report
- Commissioners’ Reports
- Commission announcements and scheduling of items identified for consideration at future Commission Meetings.

Commissioner Benedicto: Working group for 10.11, Body Worn Cameras. On 4/10 attended remembrance for Officer Isaac Espinoza. Spoke on a C.A.R.T Resolution being worked on.

Commissioner Byrne: DGO 5.18 is being sent to concurrence. Reiterated request to Commission regarding committees Commissioners are on. Requested to agendize.

Commissioner Yee: DGO 7.03 – asked it to be moved. DGOs 2.02 and 2.03 due to come out soon. DGO 6.14 Psychological Evaluation Of Adults, would like it to be addressed. Spoke to Captain Toomer regarding DGOs 9.02 and 9.04. Invited to Stop Crime SF, stopping by on 4/13.

Commissioner Yanez: Postponed Juvenile Probation Commission at Police Commission meeting to May 10th. Will be out of town for next three weeks, not attending 4/19 or 5/3 meeting. Agendize community policing plans. Social Media DGO, Bureau Order regarding investigative use of social media. Would like clarification. Referred to a letter from Public Defender’s Office. Wants to agendize Bureau Order mentioned.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Allen: Provided opinion on identifying committees Commissioners are on. Spoke on and questioned an Annual Statement of Purpose from the Commission.

8. Sparks Reports: 1ST Quarter 2023 (DISCUSSION)
Quarterly report to the Commission regarding policy proposals under consideration.
 - SFPD
 - DPA

For SFPD, Captain Dennis Toomer presented, Sergeant Joelle Harelle also available, for questions. For DPA, Janelle Caywood, Director of Policy, presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

9. Discussion and possible action to approve revised Department General Order 6.02 “Physical Evidence and Crime Scenes” for the Department to use in meeting and conferring with the effected bargaining units as required by law (DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION)

SFPD Forensic Director Mark Powell present for line item.

Motion: Commissioner Byrne. Second: Commissioner Yee. Approval: 6-0.

AYES: Commissioner Byrne, Yanez (remotely), Benedicto, Yee, Vice President
Carter-Oberstone and President Elias.
ABSENT: Commissioner Walker

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

10. Discussion and possible action to approve revised Department General Order 7.03
“Information Dissemination Regarding Registered Sex Offenders Megan’s Law” for the
Department to use in meeting and conferring with the effected bargaining units as required
by law (DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION)

Item pulled, to be put on for another date.

ADJOURNMENT

Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Sergeant Stacy Youngblood
Secretary
San Francisco Police Commission