

# AD HOC COMMITTEE

## Police Oversight Commission

### Justice Eight Investigation

Members: Commissioners Hanan Gibani & Commissioner Eric Vasquez

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#### **Tuesday 4/9/2024 P.O.C. Meeting:**

An Ad Hoc committee formed to investigate the Pomona Police Department involvement in the Justice Eight Investigation in Victorville, California. During the January P.O.C. Meeting community member and director of Gente Organizada, Jesus Sanchez, requested the Commission to investigate the involvement of the PPD in the Justice Eight arrests. Commissioner Vasquez and I requested for the Inspector General, Michael Genaco to analyze the public comments and complaints along with the PPD testimonies:

\*Address how and why the Pomona Police Department was involved in this multi-agency operation.

\*Include source documents that show where facts are being gathered.

#### **Tuesday 5/14/2024 P.O.C. Meeting:**

On Wednesday, May 8th Commissioner Vasquez and I had a Zoom meeting with the Inspector General. His tasks were as follows: Interview the involved Officers and spoke to the investigator. Inspector asked for the transcripts of the hearing.

#### **Tuesday 7/9/2024 P.O.C. Meeting:**

*Justice Eight Update:* the transfers were received. Interviews with involved officers were scheduled later on this month.

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## **Tuesday 8/13/2024 P.O.C. Meeting:**

Inspector General: Outside Investigator advised that he has concluded his investigation and is writing up the report which will be presented to Police Chief Ellis. Due to the nature of allegations, the report will go directly to the Chief through H.R. He will then rate it and present it back to Inspector.

## **Tuesday 10/8/2024 P.O.C. Meeting:**

Inspector General: Investigation completed. Will be receiving a report soon.

## **Tuesday 11/5/2024 phone call (I.G. & Comm. Gibani):**

Police Chief Ellis gave a copy of the report to the Inspector General. Report is over 1,500 pages long. I.G. 600 pages into the report. An outside investigator interviewed the two PPD officers involved: one police officer and one detective. The officer had legal representation.

Of the 1,500 pages of the report, 1,200 of them were of the hearing transcripts of the testimony.

During the December Police Oversight Commissioner Meeting, the Inspector General Michael Genaco will have the report available to present.

## **CONCLUSION:**

Commissioner Vasquez and I were able to meet with the Inspector General for him to proceed with the investigation. We are at the end of the final results of the investigation which will (possibly) be presented to us next month in December.

