

Date: November 17, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

Subject: **Measure E - Citizen Police Complaint Commission (CPCC) Transition Update**

The City Council and the Charter Amendment Committee concluded three joint public hearings to discuss a proposed Charter Amendment that would establish a Police Oversight Commission, which would replace the CPCC, and add a Director of Police Oversight position. These meetings were held on June 14, 2022, July 19, 2022, and August 9, 2022. On August 9, 2022, the City Council voted to place a City Charter amendment (Measure E) on the November 8, 2022, ballot for voter consideration.

On November 8, 2022, Measure E was put to the voters and at the time this memo was published appears to be headed for passage with 59% of the votes cast. As a result, CPCC staff will begin the process to transition to the new structure outlined in Measure E, which includes an Office of Police Oversight led by a Police Oversight Director appointed by the City Council, and the establishment of a Police Oversight Commission. During the transition, the City Manager will seek authorization from the Council for the current CPCC to continue its work on the backlog of cases that are currently being investigated and will accept new complaints through the end of this calendar year. Beginning January 1, 2023, new police complaints will be accepted for investigation by the Long Beach Police Department (LBPD), consistent with their primary authority for investigations as outlined in Measure E.

Staff estimates that it will take between six to 12 months to stand up the new Office of Police Oversight which includes components such as establishment of the Police Oversight Commission, recruiting and staffing, operational procedures, and completion of a meet and confer process regarding staff duties that may be impacted by the new structure. The City Council will consider an action at its December 6, 2022, meeting to authorize staff to initiate the transition process including, but not limited to the actions noted above.

To file a complaint, members of the public can download a complaint form on the LBPD website and email the completed form to [Internal.Affairs@longbeach.gov](mailto:Internal.Affairs@longbeach.gov); call the Internal Affairs Division at (562) 570-7343 or call the LBPD main line at (562) 570-7236. If you have any questions regarding this transition information, please contact Linda F. Tatum, Assistant City Manager, at (562) 570-6916 or via email at [Linda.Tatum@longbeach.gov](mailto:Linda.Tatum@longbeach.gov).

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